



FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Freeport, Pennsylvania

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 7:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT

a. Roll Call:

Melanie K. Bollinger	Christine F. Davies
John K. Haven	Michael J. Huth
Frank C. Prazenica, Jr.	Gary L. Risch, Jr.
Gregory Selinger	Adam M. Toncini
Melanie A. Zembrzusi	

Student School Board Members:

Madalin E. Burnheimer	Sylvia A. Crytzer
Kodi E. Esau	Aven J. Heavner
Anne V. Lindsay	Emma G. Michelini

b. Pledge of Allegiance

c. Welcome to the Public

Meeting participants are reminded to please silence their mobile devices.

Public Comment

Comments from the public on any agenda items will be presented at this time under the direction of the Board President. Board Policy No. 903 provides that individual public comment shall not exceed five (5) minutes and the portion of the meeting during which the public is invited to speak shall not exceed 30 minutes. Completed Public Participation forms will be collected as required by Policy 903.

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2. REPORTS

a. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 2, 2023

Tab A

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- b. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 9, 2023 Tab B
- c. Secretary's Meeting Report Tab C
- d. Recognition of 2023 District Retiree (*September 13, 2023*)
- Mark S. Wyant - High School
- e. Administration Report
- Variable Rate Debt (*September 6, 2023*)
- f. President's Report
- g. Lenape Technical School Report
- h. Armstrong-Indiana Intermediate Unit 28 (ARIN) Report
- i. Committees Report
- j. Legislative Report
- k. Freeport Area School District Foundation Report
- l. Student School Board Members Report

3. PERSONNEL

- a. Action on accepting the resignation of Lawana J. Porter, Head Custodian, effective December 29, 2023. Tab D
- b. Action on approving the employment of [Kari A. Freshcorn](#) as a part-time Cafeteria Worker, at an hourly wage rate of \$12.75, effective September 14, 2023, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- c. [Action on approving the employment of Carmen B. Aponte](#) as a part-time Cafeteria Worker, at an hourly wage rate of \$12.75, effective September 14, 2023, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

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- d. Action on approving the employment of [Michele M. Ciani](#) as an Educational Assistant for the 2023-2024 school year, at an hourly wage rate of \$14.00, effective September 28, 2023, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- e. Action on approving the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's Athletics Programs during the 2023-2024 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements. [Tab E](#)
- f. [Action on approving the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's Extracurricular Programs during the 2023-2024 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.](#) [Tab F](#)
- g. [Action on approving the employment of the individuals listed on the attachment as Professional Learning Mentors for the 2023-2024 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board.](#) [Tab G](#)
- h. [Action on approving the attached Memorandum of Agreement with the Freeport Education Association and Mark L. Ortego.](#) [Tab H](#)
- i. **[READ IN ITEM:](#)**
[Action on accepting the attached resignation of Mark L. Ortego, Teacher, effective September 29, 2023.](#)

*Attachment***4. CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY**

- a. **TABLED:** Action on approving the dual enrollment of Freeport Area High School students in the Allegheny County Fire Academy Fire Service Training Program's Entry Level Fire Training Elective Class during the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the District, as described on the attachment. *to be provided*

5. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

- a. Action on approving the participation of Donald W. Dell, Jr., Special Services Coordinator, in the Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE) Conference, to be held on November 8-10, 2023, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at a cost to the District of \$875.04. Tab I
- b. Action on approving the attached agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for student participation in the Adopt-a-Highway Program during the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years, at no cost to the District. Tab J

6. POLICY

- a. Action on approving the adoption of the attached revised School Board Policy No. 006 (Meetings). Tab K
- b. Action on approving the adoption of the attached revised School Board Policy No. 216.1 (Supplemental Discipline Records). Tab L
- c. Action on approving the adoption of the attached revised School Board Policy No. 251 (Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability). Tab M

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7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Action on casting the District's vote for the following candidates for 2024 Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) Officers: Allison Mathis, for a 1-year term as President; Sabrina Backer for a 1-year term as Vice President; Karen Beck Pooley for a 3-year term as Treasurer; Marsha Pleta for a 3-year term as Western Zone Representative; and for the following PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees for a 3-year term: Marianne Neel and Michael Faccinetto. Tab N
- b. Action on approving the attached contract for educational services with Armstrong School District for the 2023-2024 school year. Tab O
- c. Action on approving the attached contract for special education learning support services with Armstrong School District for the 2023-2024 school year. Tab P
- d. **TABLED:** Action on approving the attached Agreement with Wesley Family Services for educational services, which may be provided to District resident students during the 2023-2024 school year, at an hourly rate not to exceed [\$29]. *to be provided*
- e. Action on approving the enrollment of a resident student as a 4010-funded student at The Watson Institute Friendship Academy (WIFA) during the 2023-2024 school year, in accordance with the student's IEP, at a cost to the District of \$28,466.80 (40% of WIFA's \$58,667 annual tuition), to be paid from the District's Pennsylvania state subsidy. Tab Q
- f. Action on approving the attached agreement with Southwood Psychiatric Hospital for academic tutoring services to be provided during the 2023-2024 school year at a daily rate of \$90. Tab R
- g. Action on accepting the attached proposal from Florida Consulting LLC, for roof assessment services to be performed during the 2023-2024 school year, at a cost to the District of \$5,000. Tab S

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- h. Action on accepting the attached proposal from GreenCore LLC, for the replacement of the roof of a salt bin storage building, at a cost of \$12,892.02. [Tab T](#)
- i. Action on approving attached Change Order EC-1 to the Freeport Area High School Boiler, Electric Service & Emergency Generator Project Electrical Construction Agreement with Right Electric, Inc., dated October 14, 2022, for an increased cost in the contract sum of \$16,169.44, including an estimated cost of \$1,200 for gas line mechanicals. [Tab U](#)
- j. Action on approving attached Change Order EC-2 to the Freeport Area High School Boiler, Electric Service & Emergency Generator Project Electrical Construction Agreement with Right Electric, Inc., dated October 14, 2022, for an increased cost in the contract sum of \$3,551.89, including an estimated cost of \$500 for gas line mechanicals. [Tab V](#)
- k. Action on approving the attached Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services, LLC, for the lease of digital postage metering equipment at a cost of \$156.87 per month for a term of 60 months. [Tab W](#)
- l. Action on accepting the attached Marcia Brenner Associates quote for a license to continue to use its Report Creator Plugin for PowerSchool, at an annual maintenance fee cost of \$972. [Tab X](#)
- m. Action on approving the purchase of the CrisisGo Safety iResponse solution described on the attachment at a cost of \$2,620. [Tab Y](#)
- n. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Buffalo Elementary School Project: "Yoga in the Classrooms" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost \$1,115.85). [Tab Z](#)
- o. Action on accepting donations in memory of Edward Stiller totaling \$395 to be used for the District's autistic support program. [Tab AA](#)

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- p. Action on approving a Stipulated Adjudication for Student A, as recommended by Administration.

8. **FINANCE**

Finance Report

[Tab BB](#)

- a. Action on approving the August financial reports as listed:

[Tab CC](#)

General Fund Reports
 Capital Projects Fund Reports
 Debt Service Fund Reports
 Food Service Fund Reports
 Athletics Reports
 Slivan Scholarship Fund Report
 Student Activity Fund Reports
 Investment Report
 Treasurer's Report
 Grants Received Report

- b. Action on approving August payments in the amount of \$1,910,028.28 as listed:

[Tab DD](#)

General Fund Payments	\$1,689,850.24
Athletic Payments	\$4,338.00
Capital Projects Fund Payments	\$117,867.21
Debt Service Fund Payments	\$85,180.42
Food Service Fund Payments	\$12,792.41

9. **NEXT MEETINGS**

Committee Meeting

– Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 7:30 pm

Regular Meeting

– Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at 7:30 pm

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Concerns or Comments from Board Members

Concerns or Comments from the Public

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10. ADJOURNMENT