

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 13, 2019

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors scheduled for 7:30 pm in the Auditorium of the Freeport Area High School was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:34 p.m.

Roll call:

Ms. Bollinger	Present
Mr. Borrelli	Present
Ms. Davies	Absent
Mr. Haven	Present
Mr. Hill	Present
Mr. Huth	Present
Mr. Lucovich	Present
Dr. Prazenica	Present
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Present

Also present were student school board members Sophia Hower and Paige Semanko and District solicitor Mr. Matthew Hoffman.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Haven, and seconded by Mr. Hill, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 9, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last report to the Board at the Regular Meeting on October 9, 2019: The Board met in Executive Session on November 6, 2019, to discuss safety and security, personnel, contracts and negotiations, and confidential student matters. The Board held its Committee Meeting on November 6, 2019. The Board met in Executive Session on November 13, 2019, to discuss safety and security, personnel, contracts and negotiations, and confidential student matters.
3. Kelly Valmassoni of Nutrition Inc. gave a presentation to the Board at its November 6, 2019, Committee meeting.
4. Mr. Robb provided the Board with a report on the 2019 Future Ready PA Index results for the District at the Board's November 6, 2019, Committee meeting.
5. Mr. Magness provided the Board with an update on the District's cyber charter tuition expenses, at the Board's November 6, 2019, Committee meeting. At the Regular meeting, Mr. Magness referred the Directors to Administration's report provided as an attachment.

6. Mr. Lucovich reported that the Lenape Technical School board would meet the following week.
7. Ms. Bollinger provided the members with the attached Legislative Report.
8. Mr. Borrelli reported that the Freeport Area School District Foundation was in the final stages of the grant application review process. Mr. Lucovich thanked Mr. Borrelli on behalf of the Board for his service as the Board's liaison on the Freeport Area School District Foundation's board.
9. Student school board members Sophia Hower and Paige Semanko presented their report on student activities and concerns.

Personnel

It was moved by Dr. Prazenica, and seconded by Mr. Huth,

- a. To approve the employment of Valerie J. Smith as an exempt employee effective January 1, 2020, per the Department of Labor's final rule on exemptions from overtime pay requirements, at an annual rate of compensation of \$47,500.
- b. To approve the employment of Victoria M. Ostrowski as an exempt employee effective January 1, 2020, per the Department of Labor's final rule on exemptions from overtime pay requirements, at an annual rate of compensation of \$44,800.
- c. To approve the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's Athletics Programs during the 2019-2020 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger,

- a. To approve the establishment of a cooperative sponsorship for Riflery between Freeport Area High School and Armstrong Jr-Sr High School, as required under the rules of the WPIAL and PIAA, at a one-time cost to the District of \$100 for the PIAA application fee and contingent on the approval of the Armstrong School District's Board of School Directors.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

It was moved by Mr. Haven, and seconded by Mr. Huth,

- a. To adopt attached new School Board Policy No. 805.2 (School Security Personnel).

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

- a. To approve the attached agreement with Valentis Security Services, Inc., for uniformed security services, for the period from October 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, at the hourly rates of \$25 for unarmed security agents and \$40 for armed security agents.
- b. To accept a \$7,000 after-school programming grant for South Buffalo Elementary School from the United Way of Butler County.
- c. To set the organization meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors for December 4, 2019, at 7:30 pm at the Freeport Area High School.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Ryan Manzer, Business Manager, referred the members to his attached report.

It was moved by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos,

- a. To approve the attached October financial reports.
- b. To approve the bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the attached list of budgetary transfers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board would hold its Organization Meeting and its next Committee Meeting on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. and its next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at 7:30 p.m., at the Freeport Area High School.

Comments from Visitors

Sheryl Schrecongost of Buffalo Township asked the directors to reconsider the District's decision to no longer fund the swim team's transportation costs. Mr. Magness noted that the District's other club teams are not provided with transportation by the District. Vicky Hoffman of Buffalo Township noted that the District needs to address its recurring budget deficits.

Comments from Board Members

Mr. Lucovich, on behalf of the Board, recognized and commended Ms. Toy-Gaydos and Mr. Borrelli for their years of service to the District and their dedication to the community.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary