

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 14, 2012

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Mark Shoaf, President, at 7:33 p.m.

Roll call:

Mr. Borrelli	Present
Ms. Davies	Present
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Present
Mr. Huth	Present
Ms. Lowers	Present
Mr. Lucovich	Absent
Dr. Marty	Present
Dr. Prazenica	Present
Mr. Shoaf	Present

Also present was Fred Wolfe, solicitor, and Angela Ravotti and Zane Geist, student board members.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The K-Twelfth grade Guidance Department presented the revised Comprehensive School Counseling Program to the Board.

Reports

1. It was moved by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 8, 2012, as written. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Reilly reported that the Board met as follows:
 - a. Executive Session on March 14, 2012 for personnel, student, and legal matters.
 - b. Negotiating Committee on February 28, 2012 for Support Personnel negotiations.
3. Mr. Robb reported on upcoming PSSA testing, FKC playground, school calendar, textbook adoption, and spring break.

Mr. DeVivo reported on the 2012-2013 budget process, participation of 22 students in the PA Junior Academy of Sciences Competition, student scheduling process beginning, and possible dates for a Board retreat.
4. Mr. Shoaf reported about 20 emails in support of the proposed building project and the Allegheny Valley Chamber of Commerce breakfast.
5. Dr. Prazenica reported on the Arin Convention and Budget.
6. Mr. DeVivo reported on the Lenape Budget and land acquisition.

7. Dr. Prazenica reported on the PSBA legislative proposals.

Ms. Davies reported on the upcoming state elections.

Mr. DeVivo reported a meeting with state legislators concerning educational funding.

8. Angela Ravotti and Zane Geist reported on school activities as per the attached report.

Personnel

1. It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the following items:

- a. To accept the retirement resignation of Robert Livrone, teacher, to be effective with the last teacher work day of the 2010-2011 school term.
- b. To accept the retirement resignation of Daniel O'Donnell, head custodian, to be effective June 30, 2012.
- c. To accept the retirement resignation of Charles Taylor, custodian, to be effective June 29, 2012.
- d. To establish an hourly rate of \$9.30 as per contract, for the following part-time cafeteria workers to be effective as listed after satisfactory completion of the probationary period:

Lee Ann Donahue	2/22/12	Darla Reed	2/23/12
Kimberly Lucas	2/23/12	Denise English	2/24/12

- e. To employ Timothy Cali as an extended-term substitute for in-school math tutoring at a daily rate of \$130.00 to be effective November 29, 2011, to be paid for with Accountability Block Grant funds and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- f. To employ the following persons for athletic and extra-curricular programs for the 2012-2013 school year as provided on separate sheets to Board Members, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- g. To grant the request from the various head coaches and activity sponsors to approve the volunteer assistant coaches/sponsors as listed on a separate sheet for the 2012-2013 sports/extra-curricular season, at no cost to the District and pending Act 34 and Act 151 clearances as required.
- h. To grant the request from the various head coaches to approve the volunteer assistant coaches as listed below for the 2011-2012 sports season, at no cost to the District and pending Act 34 and Act 151 clearances as required.

Julie Shannon Volunteer Track and Field Coach

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

1. On motion by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica, it was moved to approve the following items:
 - a. The requests to use the school district athletic fields under lease or ownership of the Freeport Area School District as provided in District Policy and according to the schedule developed by the Athletic Director for the 2012 season as contained on a separate sheet.
 - b. The request from the Freeport Boys' Basketball Boosters to use the playground facilities and school gymnasiums for the 2012-2013 school year in order to sponsor a Community Recreation Basketball Program, to organize a fifth and sixth grade traveling team and to organize an elementary school program provided there is equal opportunity for girls to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration.
 - c. The request from the Freeport Girls' Basketball Boosters to use the playground facilities and school gymnasiums for the 2012-2013 school year in order to sponsor a Community Recreation Basketball Program and to use the senior high gymnasium on Saturday nights from December 2012 to March 2013, for a seventh and eighth grade Girls' Winter Basketball Program and to organize an elementary school program provided there is equal opportunity for boys to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration.
 - d. The request from the Freeport Volleyball Boosters to use the school facilities in order to sponsor a camp for one week in July 2012 and various other days during the summer of 2012 for weight training and open gym, to conduct an open gym from February to April 2013 one night per week, to sponsor a fifth and sixth grade camp in February 2013, to hold a three day seventh/eighth grade volleyball camp in March 2013 at the South Buffalo Elementary gym provided there is equal opportunity for boys to participate in compliance with federal and state laws and to conduct volleyball tournaments on October 13, 2012 (JV) and October 6, 2012 (varsity), in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration
 - e. The request from the Freeport Soccer Boosters to use the soccer facilities in order to sponsor a boys and girls camp in July/August 2012 in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration.
 - f. The request from the Freeport Softball Boosters to use the Buffalo Elementary softball field and senior high school auxiliary gym when available in order to sponsor a fall softball team from August 2012 through October 2012 provided there is equal opportunity for boys to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration.
 - g. The request from the Freeport Football Boosters to use school facilities in order to sponsor a football skills camp in June 2012, provided there is equal opportunity for girls to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, and in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration.

- h. The request from the Freeport Cross Country Boosters to organize an introductory cross country program for sixth, seventh and eighth grade Freeport students during the months of June and July 2012 in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

1. The Treasurers', Budget Status, and Cafeteria Reports were presented. Action was taken when Mr. Huth moved, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, to approve the reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Huth moved, seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve bills for payment in the amount of \$775,683.57. Motion carried unanimously.
3. It was moved by Dr. Prazenica, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the 2012-2103 general operating budget for ARIN Intermediate Unit #28 per copy provided separately to each School Director for their review. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

1. On motion by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Ms. Lowers, it was moved to approve the request from Freeport Kiwanis Club to waive the rental fee for use of the senior high school auditorium for their seventh annual variety show scheduled for October 20, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Comments

Mr. Borrelli commented on the Freeport hockey games team support and recognized the students efforts in the Region 9 PA Junior Academy of Sciences competition and the upcoming state competition to be held at Penn State.

Visitors

The senior high school honors government class attended the school board meeting and asked some school related questions.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

President

Secretary