FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Freeport, Pennsylvania

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 7:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT

a. Roll Call:

Christine F. Davies	Dino A. DiGiacobbe
John K. Haven	Michael J. Huth
Sylvia R. Maxwell	Gary L. Risch, Jr.
Daniel Ritter	Gregory Selinger
Melanie A. Zembrzuski	

Student School Board Members:

Sylvia A. Crytzer	Lucia A. Danka
Dawson J. Gaillot	Himani Harrell
Aven J. Heavner	Mario P. Lesko
Peyton A. Los	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.

Attachment

2. REPORTS

a. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 7, 2024 Tab A

b. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 14, 2024 Tab B

c. Secretary's Meeting Report Tab C

d. Administration Report

e. President's Report

f. Lenape Technical School Report

g. Armstrong-Indiana Intermediate Unit 28 (ARIN) Report

h. Committees Report

i. Legislative Report

j. Freeport Area School District Foundation Report

k. School Board Members Report

3. PERSONNEL

a. Action on accepting the resignation of Diane E. Clark, full time Custodian, effective September 2, 2024. Tab D

b. Action on accepting the resignation of Timothy P. Lucas, Educational Assistant, effective September 3, 2024. Tab E

c. Action on approving the request to rescind her resignation effective September 13, 2024, from Deborah J. Pastoria, part-time Cafeteria Worker. Tab F

d. Action on approving the employment of Caitlin R. Mitchell as a Long Term Substitute Teacher, at an annual salary of $46,000, prorated for days worked, effective August 26, 2024, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Attachment

e. Action on approving the employment of Brianna L. Boerio as a Long Term Substitute School Counselor, at an annual salary of $47,000, prorated for days worked, effective September 12, 2024, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

f. Action on approving the employment of Jennifer L. L. Albaugh as an Educational Assistant for the 2024-2025 school year, at an hourly wage rate of $14.00, effective September 12, 2024, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

g. Action on approving the employment of _____ as an Educational Assistant for the 2024-2025 school year, at an hourly wage rate of $13.00, effective September 12, 2024, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements. **TABLED**

h. Action on approving the employment of William T. Anthony as a full time Custodian, at an hourly wage rate of $15.50, effective September 12, 2024, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

i. Action on approving the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's 2024-2025 Athletics Programs, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements (additions for approval listed below). Tab G

Nathan M. Conroy, Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach
Nichole R. Heasley, Volunteer Softball Coach
Steven M. Kijowski, Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Coach - $4,377
Carrie R. McConahy, Volunteer Bowling Coach
Michael R. Windows, Volunteer Bowling Coach

		Attachment
j.	Action on approving the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's 2024-2025 Extracurricular Programs, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.	Tab H
k.	Action on approving the attached Memorandum of Understanding with the Freeport Education Association. **TABLED**	*to be provided*

4. CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

a.	Action on accepting the attached proposal from Lexia Learning Systems LLC for a one-year subscription to Lexia's *Core5 Reading/PowerUp Literacy* and *English Student*, at a cost of $288.	Tab I
b.	Action on accepting the attached proposal from McGraw Hill LLC for the textbooks and materials listed on the attachment, at a cost of $1,232.84.	Tab J
c.	Action on approving the District's membership in the Armstrong-Indiana Intermediate Unit's Pennsylvania Institute for Instructional Coaching (PIIC) Consortium, at a cost of $625 for the 2024-2025 school year.	Tab K
d.	Action on accepting the attached Marcia Brenner Associates quote for a one-year subscription to its *Report Creator* Plugin for PowerSchool at a cost of $1,062.	Tab L

5. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

a.	Action on approving a High School student field trip described on the attachment, to Costa Rica, from February 14 to February 22, 2025 (with dates subject to change due to flight schedules), at no cost to the District other than the cost of three substitute teachers for five days.	Tab M

Attachment

b. Action on approving the request of Jennifer A. Dell, South Buffalo Elementary School Play Director, for approval of the 2024-2025 South Buffalo Elementary School student production of: Tab N

Stone in the Road

6. POLICY

a. Action on approving the adoption of the attached revised School Board Policy No. 807 (Opening Exercises/Moment of Silence/Flag Displays). Tab O

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Action on casting the District's vote for the following candidates for 2025 Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) Officers: Sabrina Backer, for a one-year term as President; Matt Vannoy, for a one-year term as Vice President; Kristy Bolte, for a two-year term as Western Zone Representative; and Nathan G. Mains, Richard Frerichs, and William S. LaCoff, each for a three-year term as a PSBA Insurance Trustee. Tab P

b. Action on approving the attached contract for educational services with Armstrong School District for the 2024-2025 school year. Tab Q

c. Action on approving the attached contract for special education learning support services with Armstrong School District for the 2024-2025 school year. Tab R

d. Action on approving the attached Participation Agreement with Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) and the District's participation in the PA Student Teacher Support Program, at no cost to the District. Tab S

		Attachment
e.	Action on approving the attached agreement with Southwood Psychiatric Hospital for academic tutoring services to be provided during the 2024-2025 school year at a daily rate of $90.	Tab T
f.	Action on approving the attached agreements with The Watson Institute for education services to be provided to two (2) resident students during the 2024-2025 school year, in accordance with the students' IEPs, at a total cost of $121,195.	Tab U
g.	Action on approving the enrollment of a resident student as a 4010-funded student at The Watson Institute Friendship Academy during the 2024-2025 school year, in accordance with the student's IEP, at a cost to the District of $26,703.20 (40% of WIFA's $66,758 annual tuition), to be paid from the District's Pennsylvania state subsidy.	Tab V
h.	Action on approving the enrollment of a resident student as a 4010-funded student at The Watson Institute Education Center Sewickley during the 2024-2025 school year, in accordance with the student's IEP, at a cost to the District of $26,703.20 (40% of WIFA's $66,758 annual tuition), to be paid from the District's Pennsylvania state subsidy.	Tab W
i.	Action on accepting a Public School Environmental Repairs Program award in the amount of $139,555 to be spent towards future Asbestos Abatement as outlined on the attached Funding Announcement.	Tab X
j.	Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Buffalo Elementary School Project: "Spreading Our Wings with Hummingbird Kits" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $1,066.94).	Tab Y
k.	Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Freeport Area Middle School Project: "Reading Across Content Areas" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $589.87).	Tab Z

Attachment

l. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Freeport Area Middle School Project: “Sharing is Caring, Seeing is Believing….” described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $465.42). Tab AA

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
Treasurer’s Report
Grants and Donations Report

b. Action on approving August payments in the amount of $1,576,437.83 as listed: Tab DD

General Fund Payments	$1,283,523.99
Athletic Payments	$5,924.00
Capital Projects Fund Payments	$172,701.75
Debt Service Fund Payments	$69,611.84
Food Service Fund Payments	$44,676.25

Attachment

9. NEXT MEETINGS

Special Meeting / Committee Meeting
– Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 7:00 pm
Regular Meeting
– Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 7:00 pm

Concerns or Comments from Board Members

Concerns or Comments from the Public

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10. ADJOURNMENT