# *FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT*
## *Freeport, Pennsylvania*

# *BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS*
# *REGULAR MEETING AGENDA*

### *Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 7:00 pm*

## *1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT*

a. Roll Call:

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| 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:*

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| 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 Organization Meeting held on December 4, 2024 — Tab A

b. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 11, 2024 — Tab B

c. Secretary's Meeting Report — Tab C

d. HHSDR Architects / PFM Financial Advisors Presentation — Tab D

e. Administration Report

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. School Board Members Report

## 3. PERSONNEL

a. Action on approving the termination of employment of Employee No. 4270, effective January 15, 2025, pursuant to the Statement of Charges dated December 5, 2024. — Tab E

b. Action on accepting the retirement resignation of Mark A. Dempster, Teacher, effective May 30, 2025. — Tab F

c. Action on approving the employment of Amber C. Myers as a part-time Cafeteria Worker, at an hourly wage rate of $12.75, effective January 16, 2025, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

*Attachment*

d. 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 (addition for approval listed below). Tab G

Braden K. Heilman – Volunteer Baseball Coach
Joseph V. Panuccio – Volunteer Baseball Coach
Derek J. Ritter – Volunteer Baseball Coach
Melissa B. Schaeffer – Volunteer Track Coach
Joseph A. Stadtfeld Jr – Volunteer Baseball Coach

e. 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 (addition for approval listed below). Tab H

Andrea M. Smith – Volunteer Musical Advisor

***TABLED***

## *4. CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY*

## *5. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES*

a. Action on the request of the Freeport Hockey Association to establish an independent high school girls hockey club and use the high school name and school logo, with no other costs or liabilities regarding the club program associated with the District or the District's Athletics department. Tab I

*Attachment*

b. Action on approving the participation of Sasha R. Killian, Teacher, in the Pennsylvania Educational Technology Expo & Conference (PETE&C) on February 10-11, 2025, in Hershey, Pennsylvania, at no cost to the District other than the cost of a substitute teacher for two (2) days. Tab J

## 6. POLICY

a. Action on approving the adoption of the attached revised attachment (Procurement – Federal Programs) to School Board Policy No. 626 (Federal Fiscal Compliance). Tab K

## 7. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Action on approving the election of Todd Luke and Brady Shafer to the offices of President and Vice President, respectively, of the Lenape Technical School Joint Board, each for one-year terms ending December 31, 2025. Tab L

b. Action on approving the District's participation in the Armstrong Indiana (ARIN) Intermediate Unit's Education Leading to Employment and Career Training (ELECT) program during the 2024-2025 school year, at a cost of $900. Tab M

c. Action on accepting the attached proposal from Barilla Refrigeration for replacement of the evaporator and condenser of the cafeteria walk-in cooler at South Buffalo Elementary School, at a cost of $8,933. Tab N

d. Action on approving the District's 2024-2025 membership in the ABC CREATE (Alle-Kiski Best Practices Collaborative Community Robotics Education and Technology Empowerment) Program, at a cost of $2,500 to be paid out of grant funding. Tab O

*Attachment*

e. Action on authorizing the superintendent or his designee, in accordance with District Policy No. 711, to dispose of books, furniture, equipment, supplies, or other school property deemed to have no value to the educational purpose of the District and a current value of $100 or less, in a manner prescribed under the School Code, for the 2024-2025 school year.

f. Action on accepting a $200 donation from the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #1732, Inc., to be applied to student cafeteria account balances. Tab P

g. Action on accepting a $250 donation from First National Bank of Pennsylvania's WPIAL Financial Trivial Challenge Program, to be used for the High School Athletics programs.

h. Action on accepting a grant in the amount of $2,000 from Tri County Workforce Investment Board Inc. (TCWIB), to be deposited in the Buffalo Elementary School courtyard construction account.

i. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Buffalo Elementary School Project: "Yoga in the Classroom" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $663.87). Tab Q

j. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the South Buffalo Elementary School Project: "Healthy Snacks Fuel Little Minds and Bodies" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $236.85). Tab R

k. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Freeport Area Middle School Project: "School Spirit Store for Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Rewards" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $353). Tab S

l. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Freeport Area Middle School Project: "From Headaches to Hope: Make a Difference Today" described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $403.19). Tab T

*Attachment*

m. Action on accepting the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Buffalo Elementary School Project: “Classroom Essentials Shipment: 2025-01-03” described on the attachment (Total Project Cost $13.58). — Tab U

n. Action on approving the 2025-2026 District Calendar, as provided on the attachment. — Tab V

## *8. FINANCE*

Finance Report — Tab W

a. Action on approving the December financial reports as listed: — Tab X

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 December payments in the amount of $2,888,942.65 as listed: — Tab Y

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| General Fund Payments | $2,781,576.55 |
| Athletic Payments | $4,810.00 |
| Capital Projects Fund Payments | $0.00 |
| Debt Service Fund Payments | $59,053.41 |
| Food Service Fund Payments | $43,502.69 |

c. Action on approving the attached list of budgetary transfers. — Tab Z

*Attachment*

## *9. NEXT MEETINGS*

**Committee Meeting**
– Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7:00 pm
**Regular Meeting**
– Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 7:00 pm

Concerns or Comments from Board Members

Concerns or Comments from the Public

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## *10. ADJOURNMENT*