FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Freeport, Pennsylvania

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 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 Regular Meeting held on March 12, 2025 Tab A

b. Secretary's Meeting Report Tab B

c. High School Project Discussion

d. Administration Report

- Monthly Budget Update (April 9)

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 Molly F. Vantine, Educational Assistant, effective April 21, 2025. Tab C

b. Action on accepting the retirement resignation of Craig M. Swiergol, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025. Tab D

c. Action on approving the employment of Erin J. Huff as an Educational Assistant for the 2024-2025 school year, effective April 10, 2025, at an hourly wage rate of $14.00, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

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d. Action on approving the employment of Alice L. Baker as a part-time Cafeteria Worker, effective April 10, 2025, at an hourly wage rate of $12.75, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

e. Action on approving the employment of Ryan S. Suwan as an intern with the District's information technology group, at an hourly wage rate of $7.25, effective June 1, 2025, through August 15, 2025.

f. 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 E

Benjamin A. Edwards, Volunteer Head Girls Lacrosse Coach
Jamie S. Phillips, 7th Grade Volleyball Coach - $1,990

g. Action on approving the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's 2025-2026 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 F

Emily G. Bonelli, Volunteer Girls Soccer Coach
Michael F. Brestensky, Junior Varsity Football Coach - $5,131
Edward M. Carr, Junior Varsity Golf Coach - $2,679
Todd W. Durand, Assistant Varsity Football Coach - $5,235
Douglas M. Kamer, 7/8 Grade Football Coach - $4,169
Douglas V. Rodgers, Assistant 7/8 Grade Football Coach - $3,839

Attachment

h. Action on approving the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's 2025-2026 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 G

Courtney L. Eiler, Technology Help Desk Coordinator – Buffalo (split position) - $1,299

4. CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

a. Action on approving the attached District K-12 Guidance Plan 2025 - 2028 and its submission to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. — Tab H

b. Action on approving the purchase and adoption of the textbooks listed on the attachment and displayed in the meeting room for inspection, at a cost not to exceed $15,000. — Tab I

c. Action on approving the purchase and adoption of the textbooks listed on the attachment and displayed in the meeting room for inspection, at a cost not to exceed $10,000. — Tab J

d. Action on approving the purchase and adoption of the textbooks listed on the attachment and displayed in the meeting room for inspection, at no cost to the District. — Tab K

e. Action on approving a modification to the High School Program of Studies for the 2025-2026 school year, as described on the attachment. — Tab L

Attachment

5. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

a. Action on approving a Grade 12 student field trip to participate in the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) All State Chorus Conference in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania, from April 9-11, 2025, at a cost to the District of $1,851.50 plus the cost of one substitute teacher for three days. Tab M

b. Action on approving a High School and Middle School student field trip to the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) State Competition in State College, Pennsylvania, from May 18-20, 2025, at no cost to the District other than the cost of one substitute teacher for two days. Tab N

c. Action on approving the requests listed on the attachment for use of District facilities by District athletics booster groups at no charge, from July 2025 through April 2026, subject to the approval of the Superintendent or his designee based on prevailing conditions. Tab O

6. POLICY

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Action on approving the attached Athletic Training & Physician Services Agreement with UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside, d/b/a UPMC Sports Medicine, and UPMC Community Medicine, Inc. for physician services and athletic training services during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years, at a cost of $33,000, $34,300, and $35,600 per school year, respectively, contingent on solicitor approval. Tab P

Attachment

b. Action on accepting the attached proposal submitted by The Hawley Consulting Group for performance of a postretirement medical valuation under GASB 75, at a total cost of $4,400 for the June 30, 2025 and June 30, 2026 reports. Tab Q

c. Action on approving the attached Agreement with MHY Family Services for extended school year educational services to be provided to resident students in accordance with the students' IEPs, from June 9, 2025, through July 11, 2025, at the daily rates of $183 for Special Education Students and $257 for Life Skills/Autistic Support Students. Tab R

d. Action on approving the attached agreement with Easterseals of Western & Central Pennsylvania for extended school year educational services to be provided to a resident student in accordance with the student's IEP, from June 23, 2025, through August 1, 2025, at a cost of $3,200. Tab S

e. Action on approving an agreement with the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, for educational services to be provided to a District resident student in an extended school year program in accordance with the student's IEP, from July 7, 2025, through July 24, 2025, at a cost to the District of $2,000. Tab T

f. Action on approving an agreement with Pittsburgh Behavioral Services, Inc., for educational services to be provided to a District resident student in an extended school year program in accordance with the student's IEP, for up to a total of 36 hours from June 2, 2025, through June 6, 2025, and from June 23, 2025, through July 25, 2025, at an hourly rate of $72.13. Tab U

g. Action on approving the attached Memorandum of Understanding with PA Connecting Communities for transition services to be provided to a resident student in accordance with the student's IEP during the summer of 2025, at an hourly rate of $75. Tab V

Attachment

h. Action on approving the attached Services Agreement with The Day School in Pittsburgh (The Day School at The Children's Institute) for educational services to be provided to resident students whose IEPs provide for alternative educational placements, for a term from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, with fees as provided on Exhibit A to the Agreement. — Tab W

i. Action on approving the attached Services Agreement with Steel City Interpreters for American Sign Language and Spoken Language interpreting services to be provided at an hourly rate of $80. — Tab X

j. Action on approving the attached Memorandum of Understanding with Allegheny Intermediate Unit for telephonic and video interpretation services to be provided from February 10, 2025, through February 10, 2026, at an annual cost to the District of $110, plus usage rates of $0.95 per minute for interpretation services and $3.25 per minute for video translation services. — Tab Y

k. Action on approving the attached Memorandum of Understanding with Allegheny Intermediate Unit for written translation services to be provided from January 10, 2025, through January 9, 2026, at an annual cost to the District of $500. — Tab Z

l. Action on approving the attached proposal from Great Lakes Hotel Supply Co. for the purchase and delivery of cafeteria serving line equipment, at a cost of $2,138 to be paid from the Cafeteria Fund balance. — Tab AA

m. Action on accepting the attached proposal from CM Regent Solutions for employee Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, Voluntary Life, and Voluntary Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance coverage to be provided at the rates listed, from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028. — Tab BB

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n. Action on accepting the attached proposal from PowerSchool Group LLC for a subscription to its SchoolMessenger Communicate messaging solution from April 14, 2025, through June 30, 2028, at a total cost of $19,780.81. — Tab CC

o. Action on approving the attached proposal from OA Systems, LLC, for a 3-year cyber security license subscription, at a total cost to the District of $43,998. — Tab DD

p. Action on accepting a $292.80 donation from the Buffalo Elementary School PTO to be deposited into the Buffalo Elementary School Playground Renovations account.

q. Action on approving a Stipulated Adjudication with respect to Student A.

8. FINANCE

Finance Report — Tab EE

a. Action on approving the March reports as listed: — Tab FF

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

Attachment

b. Action on approving March payments in the amount of $3,517,963.30 as listed: Tab GG

General Fund Payments	$3,201,106.58
Athletic Payments	$3,935.00
Capital Projects Fund Payments	$48,750.00
Debt Service Fund Payments	$205,129.05
Food Service Fund Payments	$59,042.67

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

9. NEXT MEETINGS

Special Meeting / Committee Meeting
– Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 7:00 pm
Regular Meeting
– Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 7:00 pm

Concerns or Comments from Board Members

Concerns or Comments from the Public

Comments from the public on any non-agenda items will be presented at this time under the direction of the Board President. Completed Public Participation forms will be collected as required by Board Policy 903.

10. ADJOURNMENT