FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Happenings

*During the Regular Meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors held on Wednesday, **June 11, 2025**, the following agenda items were **approved**:*

Personnel

The retirement resignation of Michael J. McGrath, Teacher, effective June 2, 2025.

The resignation of Deborah A. Boroski, Educational Assistant, effective May 30, 2025.

The employment of Substitute Custodians, from June 13, 2025, through August 16, 2025.

The employment of Professional Learning Mentors and New-teacher Mentors for the 2025-2026 school year.

An Addendum to Compensation Plan for Administrative Support Employees of the Freeport Area School District, effective July 1, 2025.

The employment of the following individuals for the District's Athletics Programs during the 2025-2026 school year:

Carlie L. Bieranowski, Volunteer Volleyball Coach
Jalen W. Brown, Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach
Nathan M. Conroy, Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach
Ronald C. Dejidas, Head Softball Coach
Dakoda J.R. Fickes, Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach
John E. Gaillot Jr, Head Track Coach
Lynzee A. Gladziszewski, Volunteer Volleyball Coach
Wayne M. Greiser II, Assistant Softball Coach
Nichole R. Heasley, Volunteer Softball Coach
Jason P. Kerr, Head Girls Basketball Coach
Mallory K. Ketterer, 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
Steven M. Kijowski, Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
Richard A. Macura II, Head Boys Basketball Coach
Austin W. Miller, Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach
Thomas E. Phillips, 8th Grade Volleyball Coach
John A. Radvan III, Volunteer Softball Coach
Carly L. Reed, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
Ashleigh M. Schmidt, Volunteer Softball Coach
Gary L. Siefert, Junior Varsity Baseball Coach
Christian A. Tanilli, Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

Curriculum and Technology

Sudent handbooks/codes of conduct for the 2025-2026 school year.

An assessment schedule for the 2025-2026 school year.

Athletics and Activities

The participation of Renee Bogan, Assistant Grade 6-12 Principal, at the National Schools to Watch Conference in Washington, DC, on June 26-28, 2025.

The participation of Timothy Walters, Grade 6-12 Principal, and Nicole Pearson, Teacher, in the Schools to Watch Site Visits Training in State College, Pennsylvania, on July 13-14, 2025.

A performance by the District's Marching Band at Kennywood Park in West Mifflin, Pennsylvania, on August 13, 2025.

The participation of High School students in the Foundation Cross Country Invitational to be held on September 19-20, 2025, in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Policy

Revised School Board Policy No. 317 (Conduct/Disciplinary Procedures).

Revised School Board Policy No. 320 (Freedom of Speech by Employees).

Revised School Board Policy No. 718 (Service Animals in Schools).

Other Business

Identification of the High School Project to be the High School Renovation-in-place Project (Option 4 as presented in the feasibility study) and authorization and direction of Administration to consult with HHSDR Architects Engineers and PFM Financial Advisors LLC regarding next steps requiring Board consideration and action.

The appointment of Mylie A. Atkinson, Lainey M. Blattenberger, Lucia A. Danka, Cathryn Deacon, Dawson J. Gaillot, Himani Harrell, Mario P. Lesko, Peyton A. Los, and Natalie L. Wallisch as Student School Board Members for the 2025-2026 school year.

The firm of Tucker Arensberg, P.C. as school board solicitor for the 2025-2026 school year.

The election of Tracy Bowser as the Lenape Joint Operating Committee and Armstrong County Area Vocational-Technical School Board Treasurer for a one-year term expiring on June 30, 2026.

A Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding for Emergency Management with the other districts and vocational technical schools in Armstrong and Indiana counties.

Memoranda of understanding with Armstrong Indiana Intermediate Unit for school psychologist services to be provided during the 2025-2026 school year.

A Student Assistance Program Agreement with Butler County Human Services Center for Community Resources for the 2025-2026 school year.

A College Now Partnership Agreement with Butler County Community College for participation of District students in the College's dual credit program during the 2025-2026 school year.

An Agreement to Sell or Purchase Meals from Sponsor to Sponsor, with Butler County Children's Center, Inc., dba Early Learning Connections (Pre-K Counts), from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

An Agreement with Buffalo Township for police officer traffic control services to be provided during the 2025-2026 school year.

Change Order No. EC 2 to Contract No. 3 – Electrical Construction, with Right Electric, Inc., dated October 14, 2022, for the Freeport Area High School Boiler and Electrical Projects.

A final payment application from Right Electric, Inc. (Contract No. 3 – Electrical Construction) for the Freeport Area High School Boiler and Electrical Projects.

Proposals from Union Electric Construction LLC for purchase and installation of equipment to refeed the High School kitchen walk-in cooler and freezer to the District's backup generator channels.

Proposals from Allegheny Roofing & Sheet Metal Co., Inc., in coordination with Florida Consulting, for roofing repairs to the High School Science Wing Roof.

Authorization of Florida Consulting LLC to prepare bid specifications for replacement of the High School Library Roof and to authorize the advertisement for solicitation of bids.

A proposal from Florida Consulting, LLC, for a district-wide roof assessment.

A proposal from Pittsburgh Stage, Inc., for upgrades to stage lighting equipment and controls in the High School auditorium and up to two hours of end user training.

A proposal from School Health Corporation, for automated external defibrillator service, maintenance, and inspection services, from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

Renewal of the District's device damage protection program for 2025-2025 through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Risk Management.

An Agreement with MHY Family Services for services which may be provided to resident students at its Licensed Private Academic School during the 2025-2026 school year.

An Educational Services Agreement with McGuire Memorial for educational services to be provided to District resident students in accordance with the students' IEPs, during the 2025-2026 school year from August 20, 2025, through June 15, 2026, and during an extended school year from June 29, 2026, through July 10, 2026.

Addendum #8 to the Contractual Agreement with Pressley Ridge for Special Education Services to be provided during the 2025-2026 school year and extended school year.

A Clinical Support Tuition Service Agreement with Pittsburgh Behavioral Services, Inc., for services to be provided to a resident student in accordance with the student's IEP during the 2025-2026 school year.

A proposal from Magic School, Inc., for license to its MagicSchool Enterprise AI platform during the 2025-2026 school year.

A proposal from Edulink, Inc., for license to use its COMPLY Software / Act 48 Module solution during the 2025-2026 school year.

A proposal from Edulink, Inc., for license to use its PA-ETEP electronic teacher evaluation portal during the 2025-2026 school year.

A proposal from Harris Education Solutions/OnHand Schools, Inc., for a license to its edInsight Data Management System, edInsight Curriculum Management System, and edInsight RTI/MTSS Solution during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years, and including five hours of professional development coaching.

A Records Storage and Services Agreement with Best Records Management, for offsite records storage from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030.

A Customer Confirmation Agreement with UGI Energy Services, LLC, for its obligation to deliver and sell and the District's obligation to accept and purchase a contract quantity of natural gas, from September 2025 through August 2028.

A Memorandum of Understanding with the South Buffalo Township Police Department for school years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Memoranda of Understanding with the Buffalo Township Police Department for school years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

An online survey of District students (the Pennsylvania Youth Survey) to be conducted from September 2, 2025, through December 22, 2025.

A revised Band Uniform Bid from Stanbury Uniforms, LLC, for marching band uniform items.

A donation from Riverview Intermediate Unit for Buffalo Elementary School's Remake Learning Days event.

A donation from Central Electric Cooperative, Inc., in memory of Cherie Smith, for the High School Music Program.

A donation from the Buffalo Elementary School PTO to be deposited into the Buffalo Elementary School Playground Project account.

Finance

The May financial reports, lists of bills for payment, and a list of budgetary transfers.

Authorization of the Director of Finance and Operations to make final year-end 2024-2025 budgetary transfers, which will be reported to the Board for approval in September 2025, as recommended by the state auditor.

A list of student activity accounts for the 2025-2026 school year.

Awarding workmen's compensation insurance coverage for the 2025-2026 school year to UPMC WorkPartners, through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Awarding property and casualty insurance coverage for the 2025-2026 school year to Utica Mutual Insurance Company, through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Awarding auto liability insurance coverage for the 2025-2026 school year to Utica Mutual Insurance Company, through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Awarding umbrella liability insurance coverage for the 2025-2026 school year to Utica/Graphic Arts Mutual Insurance Company, through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Awarding liability insurance coverage for the 2025-2026 school year to PAIU, through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Awarding environmental liability insurance coverage for the 2025-2026 school year to Ironshore Specialty Insurance Co., through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

A Final Budget of the School District for the 2025-2026 fiscal year on form PDE 2028 for the School District General Fund in the amount of $39,709,259 (5.29% and 65.10 mills for Armstrong County and 4.92% and 185.91 mills for Butler County).

An Annual Tax Levy Resolution providing for the levy of taxes for school purposes for the school year beginning July 1, 2025, subject to the provisions of the Local Tax Collection Law and in accordance with the tax rates approved on Form PDE-2028.

A homestead and farmstead real estate tax assessment exclusion for the school year beginning July 1, 2025, under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006), in accordance with the tax rates approved on Form PDE-2028.

Next Meetings

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 – Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 – Regular Meeting

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED IN JULY