FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Happenings

*During the **Regular Meeting** of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors held on Wednesday, **April 15, 2026**, the following agenda items were **approved**:*

Personnel

The resignation of Joyce A. Kriley, part-time Cafeteria Worker, effective June 30, 2026.

The employment of Zakary C. Hanlon as an intern with the District's information technology group, effective June 1, 2026, and ending August 14, 2026.

The job description and the employment of Robert W. Harris III as Director of Technology and Innovation under Act 93 of 1984, effective July 1, 2026.

The employment of Christine M. Davis as Grades 6-12 Assistant Principal, effective July 1, 2026.

The employment of the following individuals as full time Teachers, effective August 17, 2026:

Austyn A. Hartung
Andrew B. Kamis
Alex N. Recupero
Olivia C. Winters
Liadan M. Susoeff
Alexis R. Redman
Madeline G. Boulos
Makenzie M. Greece
Megan E. McGinnis

The District's participation in the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry's Office of Vocational Rehabilitation On-the Job Training and Wage Reimbursement program.

The employment of the following individuals for the District's Extracurricular Programs during the 2026-2027 school year:

John J. Beneigh, National Honor Society (split position)
John J. Beneigh, Senior Class Sponsor
John J. Beneigh, Senior Trip Advisor
Andrew L. Brandt, Mock Trial Advisor
Shaun M. Cartiff, Web Master (Secondary)
Shaun M. Cartiff, Intramural (Secondary) Coordinator

Shaun M. Cartiff, Technology Help Desk Coordinator - Middle School
Melissa D. Conjack, Technology Help Desk Coordinator - Buffalo (Split Position)
Jennifer A. Dell, Band Director - Elementary Schools (Split Position)
Jennifer A. Dell, Choral Director - Elementary - South Buffalo
Courtney L. Eiler, Technology Help Desk Coordinator - Buffalo (Split Position)
Nina M. Fulton, Awards Coordinator - High School
Nina M. Fulton, Homecoming Advisor (split position)
Emily M. Geist, PJAS Advisor - Middle School
Christy D. Gregori, PJAS Advisor - High School
Robert W. Harris III, Musical or Play Director - Buffalo
Robert W. Harris III, Web Master - Elementary Schools
Elisa J. Hill, Band Director Assistant 3
Thomas D. Koharchik, Choral Director - High School
Thomas D. Koharchik, Junior Class Sponsor
Thomas D. Koharchik, Musical Advisor Assistant
Thomas D. Koharchik, Play Advisor - High School
Thomas D. Koharchik, Stage Manager
Thomas D. Koharchik, Yearbook Business Manager - High School
Thomas D. Koharchik, Choral Director - Middle School
John C. Lowry, Technology Help Desk Coordinator - South Buffalo
Tawnya L. Lunz, Homecoming Advisor (split position)
Christopher R. McGrady, Technology Help Desk Coordinator - High School
Colleen M. McKeag, Band Director Assistant 1
Paxton H. Mentnech, Band Director Assistant 4
Paxton H. Mentnech, Band Director - Elementary Schools (Split Position)
Paxton H. Mentnech, Choral Director - Elementary - Buffalo
Jamie A. Mitchell, Student Council - Middle School
Bobbi Jo O'Shell, National Honor Society (split position)
Jadyn L. Perry, Band Director Assistant 2
Cory A. Petrak, Academic Team Coach
Dana S. Roach, DECA Advisor
Nicholas J. Smith, Band Director (School Term)
Nicholas J. Smith, Band Director (Summer)
Nicholas J. Smith, Musical Advisor Assistant
Nicholas J. Smith, Band Director - Middle School
Daniel R. Stell, Student Council - High School
Daniel R. Stell, Yearbook Advisor - High School
Elizabeth K. Surgil, Musical Advisor (Coordinator)
Sara B. Sypulski, Musical Advisor Choreographer
Sara B. Sypulski, Dramatics - Middle School
Rebecca L. Youkers, Newspaper - High School

Curriculum and Technology

The submission of the District's Special Education Plan Report (07/01/2026 - 06/30/2029) to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

The purchase and adoption of textbooks.

A PowerSchool proposal for a Headed2 Software license and subscription, for the period from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

A PowerSchool proposal for an additional 100GB of Student Information System electronic file storage, for the period from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

A proposal from Edutek Solutions, LLC, for a 3-year subscription to its One to One Plus device protection program.

A proposal from Open Systems Pittsburgh for purchase and installation of a new Video Insight server.

Athletics and Activities

A High School student field trip to participate in the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science State Competition in State College, Pennsylvania, from May 17, 2026, to May 19, 2026.

Pre-approval of a High School student field trip to New York City in April 2027.

The requests for use of District facilities by District athletics booster groups, from July 2026 through April 2027, subject to the approval of the Superintendent or his designee based on prevailing conditions.

Other Business

The appointment of Mylie A. Atkinson, Lainey M. Blattenberger, Cathryn Deacon, Natalie L. Wallisch, Emma M. Charlton, Annabelle I. Geist, Ella P. McConville, and Caylee Zembrzuski as Student School Board Members for the 2026-2027 school year.

An Amendment No. 1 to an Agreement with the Caring Foundation dated June 13, 2024, for grief support services for students and their families through the Highmark Caring Place Center for Grieving Children, Adolescents and their Families, for an extended term through June 13, 2028.

An agreement with WestARM Therapy Services, Inc., for occupational and physical therapy services to be provided to students during the 2026-2027 through 2030-2031 school years.

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 6, 2026, through July 23, 2026.

A Transaction Confirmation with Direct Energy Business, LLC, for the purchase and transmission of electricity, from January 2027 through December 2029.

A proposal and Terms & Conditions from Arbiter, LLC, for a license to its Starter Package athletics scheduling solution, for a term from May 15, 2026, to May 14, 2027.

Finance

The March 2026 financial reports and lists of bills for payment.

A list of budgetary transfers.

The awarding of bids for maintenance supplies to various suppliers.

Next Meetings

Wednesday, May 6, 2026 – Special Meeting / Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 13, 2026 - Regular Meeting