

Present:
Jack Bono
Erik Morse
Tricia Service
Dominick Bellino
Jason Wasielewski

Absent: 2 - Kathleen Sarafin
Patrick Fraccola Jr.

Others Present: Joseph Palmer, Superintendent, Kacey Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Technology, Connie Giordano, District Clerk, Jocelyn Reynolds, Secondary Co-Principal, Dominica Helmer, Deputy Board Clerk

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Jack Bono at 6:40 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:
Roll call was taken by Jack Bono 5– Present 2 – Absent

Convene to General Session – a motion was made by Tricia Service, seconded by Erik Morse, to convene to General Session at 6:40 p.m.

- Reports/Presentations/Good News to Share:**
- 1. Superintendent Joseph Palmer – Updates & Capital Project Report Update
Open Houses for both buildings will be held Wednesday, September 2, 2026
 - 2. District-Wide School Safety Plan – for discussion/review

Discretionary Period for Residents to Address the Board:
Ron Gatto, 221 First Ave., Frankfort, NY – addressed the board regarding positions that are approved at board meetings, he does not believe there were postings for the positions. He also addressed the board regarding relatives of board members receiving stipends, and that the board member(s) did not always abstain from voting. He would like to see better transparency.

Consent Agenda:
A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Jason Wasielewski, to approve the following **CONSENT AGENDA:** Minutes, Personnel P-1, P-2, P-7, P-8, New Business 1 - 9.
5 - YES 0 - NO MOTION PASSED

Minutes:
August 11, 2026

Finance:
n/a

- Personnel:**
- 1. Approved Stipend for Senior Building Maintenance Mechanic:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approved a stipend of \$6,000 for Scott Schneegas, Senior Building Maintenance Mechanic, for HVAC Certification, for the 2026-2027 school year.
 - 2. Approved Stipend for School District Nurse:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approved a stipend of \$6,500 for Susan Jones, R.N., as the School District Nurse, for the 2026-2027 school year.

A motion was made by Tricia Service, seconded by Erik Morse to pull Personnel Item No. 3 for Roll Call Vote
5 – YES 0 – NO MOTION PASSED
 - 3. Appointed Deputy District Clerk:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort- Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints Dominica Helmer as Deputy District Clerk, with a stipend of \$2,900.
Erik Morse – Yes Jack Bono – Yes Tricia Service - YES
Jason Wasielewski – YES Dominick Bellino - Abstain

A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Tricia Service, to Table Personnel Items 4, 5, 6 for discussion at a later date.
5 – YES 0 – NO MOTION PASSED

Personnel:
(Continued)

- 4. Rescind Appointment of Varsity Wrestling Coach:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 11, 2026 coaching appointment of John Treen as Varsity Wrestling Coach.
- 5. Rescind Appointment of Wrestling Program Assistant:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 11, 2026 appointment of Dave Haughton as Wrestling Program Assistant.
- 6. Rescind Appointment of Wrestling Program Volunteer:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 11, 2026 appointment of Clay Wellenstein as Wrestling Program Volunteer.
- 7. Appointed ELA Teacher:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints Gabriella Trevisani to the position of ELA Teacher, at a pay rate of Step 2, MA, \$47,238, effective August 24, 2026. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of ELA Teacher, extending from August 24, 2026 – August 24, 2030, and is contingent upon clearance from the New York State Department of Education (fingerprint clearance).
- 8. Approved Unpaid Leave of Absence for Elementary Teacher:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the request of Jenna Gentile, for an unpaid leave of absence from December 1, 2026 – December 17, 2026, with a return to work date of December 18, 2026.

New Business:

- 1. Policy No. 7004 – Second Read (of revisions)
- 2. Section 8000 – Policy Audit – Second Read (remainder of Section 8000 audit)
- 3. Policy 1012 – Code of Conduct Review – Second Read
- 4. Policy 8073 – Grading Policy – Revised – for Review – Second Read
- 5. Policy 6010 – Prohibition of Sexual Harassment and Discrimination in the Workplace – new draft/ Second Read
- 6. Policy 0012 – Prohibition of Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying – Revised – Second Read
- 7. Accepted Legacy Gift:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby accepts the legacy gift of \$1,144.45 from the Class of 2026.
- 8. Approved District Safety Plan:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the District Safety Plan as presented.
- 9. CSE/CPSE Reviews:
It is hereby recommended that the CSE/CPSE recommendations for the following student case numbers that were reviewed be approved:

<u>Student ID</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>
580513839	08/19/2026
580513790	07/30/2026
580513190	08/11/2026
580513338	08/10/2026

A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Jason Wasielewski, to waive the Third Read, and to approve the following Policies as presented:

- 10. Waive Third Read for the following Policies, and Approve as presented:
 - Policy No. 7004
 - Policy No. 1012
 - Policy No. 8073
 - Policy No. 6010
 - Policy No. 0012

Old Business:

1. Revised 8/11/26 BOE meeting minutes - A motion was made by Tricia Service, seconded by Erik Morse, to pull Personnel Item No. 1 from the Consent Agenda, and vote by roll call.

Stipend for CPSE Billing & Homeschool Coordinator:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves a \$6,200 stipend for Dominica Helmer for performing said duties.

Tricia Service – YES	Jack Bono – YES
Erik Morse – YES	Jason Wasielewski – YES
Dominick Bellino – ABSTAIN	

4 – YES	0 – NO	1 – ABSTAIN
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2. Football team held a team-building event – they washed the Frankfort Fire Trucks.
- Boys and Girls Soccer teams held a team-building event – cleaned up the county fairgrounds

Adjourn – A motion was made by Tricia Service, seconded by Erik Morse, to adjourn at 7:39 p .m.

6 – YES	0 – NO	<u>MOTION PASSED</u>
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Respectfully Submitted, _____
District Clerk

Present: Jack Bono
Erik Morse
Tricia Service
Patrick Fraccola Jr.
Dominick Bellino
Kathleen Sarafin

Absent: 1 - Jason Wasielewski

Others Present: Joseph Palmer, Superintendent, Kacey Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Technology, Connie Giordano, District Clerk, Julie Tangorra, Jocelyn Reynolds

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Jack Bono at 6:27 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:
Roll call was taken by Jack Bono 6– Present 1 – Absent – Jason Wasielewski

Convene to General Session – a motion was made by Kathleen Sarafin, seconded by Erik Morse, to convene to General Session at 7:09 p.m.

- Reports/Presentations/Good News to Share:**
- 1. Superintendent Joseph Palmer – Updates - Capital Project Report
 - 2. District-Wide School Safety Plan – for discussion/review

Discretionary Period for Residents to Address the Board:
N/A

A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Tricia Service, to Pull Personnel Item P-8, and to pull Personnel Items 9 – 14 to table for discussion at a later date.

6 – YES

0 - NO

Consent Agenda:
A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Kathleen Sarafin, to approve the following **CONSENT AGENDA:**
Minutes, Personnel 2 - 7, 15 – 17, New Business 1 - 7.

6 - YES

0 - NO

MOTION PASSED

Minutes:
July 14, 2026

- Finance:**
- 1. Treasurer’s Report
 - 2. Revenue Report
 - 3. Trial Balance Report
 - 4. Revenue Status Report
 - 5. Bank Reconciliation
 - 6. Multi Fund Report
 - 7. Appropriation Status Report
 - 8. Scholarship Report
 - 9. Extraclassroom Activities Fund Report

Personnel:

Revised 8/11/26 BOE meeting minutes - A motion was made by Tricia Service, seconded by Erik Morse, to pull Personnel Item No. 1 from the Consent Agenda.

1.

Stipend for CPSE Billing & Homeschool Coordinator:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves a \$6,200 stipend for Dominica Helmer for performing said duties.

Tricia Service – YES

Jack Bono – YES

Erik Morse – YES

Jason Wasielewski – YES

Dominick Bellino – ABSTAIN

4 – YES

0 – NO

1 - ABSTAIN

2.
- Approve UDO Stipend for School Social Workers:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the stipend of \$6,000 for Melanie Taylor for School Social Worker.

10. Personnel:
(Continued)

3.

Schedule E Appointments:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the following Schedule E appointments:

National Honor Society Advisor	Loreen Hobart	\$ 950
Champion of Curriculum	Loreen Hobart	\$1,346
4.

Appointed 1:1 LPN:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints Stephanie Martin to the position of 1:1 LPN, at a pay rate of \$31,178, effective August 17, 2026. This appointment is contingent upon clearance from the New York State Department of Education (fingerprint clearance).
5.

Appointed Elementary Teacher:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints Abigail Bliss to the position of Elementary Teacher, at an annual pay rate Step 6 MA: \$48,311 effective August 17, 2026. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Elementary Education, extending from August 17, 2026 to August 17, 2030, and is contingent upon clearance from the New York State Department of Education (fingerprint clearance).
6.

Appointed Mentors for the 2026-2027 School Year:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the following new teacher mentors for the 2026-2027 school year:

Melissa Rocco	Danielle Haslauer
Rosanne Tangorra	Kristina Newtown
Jordan Purinton	Gina McLean
Cortlynn Drexler	Julie Shank
	Donna Talarico
7.

Approved Student Workers:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves extension of employment of the Herkimer County Youth Bureau of the following student workers, from August 1, 2026 – August 31, 2026:

Audrey McMurray
Avery Bacon
Leigh Ferguson
Addyson Thibault

A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Tricia Service, to pull Personnel Item No. 8 from the Consent Agenda.

6 – YES 0 – NO MOTION PASSED

8.

Schedule E Coaching Appointments:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the following Schedule E Coaching Recommendations:

Patrick Fraccola Sr.	Modified Head Football Coach	\$2,400
Paige Klock	Girls JV Volleyball Coach	\$2,700

Volunteers for Football Program
Andrew Barberio
Jason Lascalla
Dan Fiorentino
Jake Monahan
Dalton Loy
Jason Wasielewski
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| 5 – YES | 0 – NO | 1 – Abstain – Patrick Fraccola Jr. |
| Tricia Service – Y | Dominick Bellino – Y | |
| Jack Bono – Y | Kathleen Sarafin – Y | |
| Erik Morse – Y | Patrick Fraccola Jr. – ABSTAIN | |

A motion was made by Dominick Bellino, seconded by Tricia Service, to pull Personnel Items 9 – 14 to table for discussion at a later date.

6 – YES 0 - NO

10. Personnel:
(Continued)

9. Rescind Coaching Appointment:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 14, 2026 appointment of John Treen as Head Wrestling Coach.
10. Appoint Volunteer Wrestling Program Assistant:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort- Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints John Treen as a volunteer wrestling program assistant for the 2026-2027 school year.
11. Rescind Coaching Appointment:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 14, 2026 appointment of David Haughton as Wrestling Program Assistant.
12. Appoint Schedule E Head Wrestling Coach:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints David Haughton as Head Wrestling Coach for the 2026-2027 Season, with a stipend of \$4,200.
13. Rescind Coaching Appointment:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 14, 2026 appointment of Clay Wellenstein as Wrestling Program Volunteer Assistant.
14. Appoint Schedule E Program Assistant:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints Clay Wellenstein as Wrestling Program Assistant, with a stipend of \$800.
15. Accepted Resignation from ELA Teacher:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Brook Long from her position of ELA Teacher, effective August 7, 2026.
16. Appointed Special Project Contractor
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints John Stever to the position of General Contractor for special project, at a daily pay rate of \$265, July 20, 2026.
17. Appointed Long-term temporary Substitute Elementary Teacher:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints Rachel Menning to the position of long-term temporary substitute elementary teacher, effective August 24, 2026. She will be paid \$130/day, for 20 consecutive days, and upon the 21st consecutive day, pay rate of Step 1 BA, \$42,316. This appointment is contingent upon clearance from the New York State Department of Education (fingerprint clearance).

New Business:

1. Policy No. 7004 – First Read (of revisions)
2. Section 8000 – Policy Audit – First Read (remainder of Section 8000 audit)
3. Policy 1012 – Code of Conduct Review – First Read
4. Policy 8073 – Grading Policy – Revised – for Review – First Read
5. Policy 6010 – Prohibition of Sexual Harassment and Discrimination in the Workplace – new draft/
First Read
6. Policy 0012 – Prohibition of Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying – Revised – First Read
7. Approved Tax Warrant:
Be it resolved that the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the 2026-2027 tax warrants, amounts TBD:

<u>School</u>	
Village of Frankfort /Town of Frankfort	\$7,979,997.75
Town of Schuyler	\$1,516,014.25
<u>Frankfort Free Library</u>	
Village of Frankfort/Town of Frankfort	\$ 118,156.69
Town of Schuyler	\$ 140,603.72

Old Business:

n/a

Convene to Executive Session – A motion was made by Kathleen Sarafin, seconded by Tricia Service, to convene to Executive Session at 7:41 p.m. to discuss the employment status of specific personnel.

Reconvene to General Session– A motion was made by Erik Morse, seconded by Tricia Service to reconvene at 8:18 p.m.

6 – YES 0 – NO MOTION PASSED

Adjourn – A motion was made by Tricia Service, seconded by Patrick Fraccola, to adjourn at 8:18 p .m.

6 – YES 0 – NO MOTION PASSED

Respectfully Submitted, _____
District Clerk