

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, October 7, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School - Library
Meeting Minutes**

(NOTE: These Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Directors. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the October 21, 2026 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Breer, Colin Cheney, Anna Child, Melissa Jordan, Michelle Ritcheson, Christopher Savaiano, Kelly Sink, Anne Ware, Valerie Williams. Maria Abbatemarch, Student Representative (left at 8:14 p.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kara Kaikini, Stephanie Worth

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. **VOTED:** To approve the Minutes of September 23, 2026.

(Jordan – Savaiano) (9 - 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

None

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Molly Meyer, Freeport; Jen Panciocco, Pownal

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Update from the FHS Scholarship Foundation - Jen Galletta

B. Support Staff Resignations - Maggie Simon - PES Ed Tech

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Update on Cell Phone Implementation - Kate Harrison, Pam Crosby, Tim Grivois

B. Update from Community Programs and Goal Review - Peter Wagner

C. Update from Freeport High School and Goal Review - Tim Grivois

D. Update from Freeport Middle School and Goal Review - Pam Crosby

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

11. POLICY REVIEW:

None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. **VOTED:** That the Vote entitled, "Vote to Award the Post Tension Base Reconstruction of the Freeport High School Tennis Courts Project" be adopted in form presented to this meeting.

VOTE TO AWARD THE POST TENSION BASE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS PROJECT

The School Board of Regional School Unit No. 5 (the "RSU") hereby VOTES as follows:

1. That, pursuant to an Invitation to Bid dated September 3, 2026 for the reconstruction of the Freeport High School Tennis Courts with a post tension base (the "Project"), the Superintendent of Schools (the "Superintendent"), acting singly, is authorized to accept the bid of Classic Turf Company, LLC (the "Contractor"), dated September 24, 2026, in the amount of \$932,000, and any prior such action is ratified and confirmed;
2. That, to provide funding for the Project, the School Board is hereby authorized: (1) to expend up to \$700,000 from the Tennis Court Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to approval of Article 24 of the Warrant for RSU Budget Meeting held May 13, 2026; (2) to expend up to \$321,060 from the Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to approval of Article 22 of the Warrant for RSU Budget Meeting held May 13, 2026; and (3) to reduce such amounts expended from the Tennis Court Capital Reserve Fund and the Capital Reserve Fund to the extent it receives any grants, gifts, or donations for the Project; and
3. That, the Superintendent is authorized to negotiate, execute, and deliver a contract with the Contractor or its nominee, in the name and on behalf of the RSU, for the Project, in such form and on such terms not inconsistent herewith as the Superintendent may approve, and any prior such action is ratified and confirmed.

(Jordan – Cheney) (9 - 0)

13. NEW BUSINESS:

None

14. PERSONNEL:

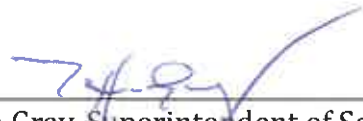
- A. **VOTED:** To create a Transportation Coordinator position for the 2026-2027 school year. Position to be paid from Article 8. This is a budget neutral position.
(Jordan – Savaiano) (9 - 0)
- B. **VOTED:** To appoint Jeremy Arsenault as Interim Director of Transportation for the 2026-2027 School Year. (Child – Breer) (9 - 0)

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 10:01 p.m. (Sink – Jordan) (9 - 0)



Tom Gray, Superintendent of Schools

Post tension base award

October 7, 2026

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A true copy, attest:



Tom Gray/ Secretary