

### FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL Board of Education

# REGULAR MEETING November 22, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

#### AGENDA

1.	Call to	Order
	1.01	Pledge of Allegiance

#### 1.02 Open Public Meeting Announcement

In accordance with requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notice has been given of tonight's meeting in the Hunterdon County Democrat and have been posted on the bulletin board by the main office of the Franklin Township School, sent to the Township Clerk and to all Board of Education members and posted on the school website on January 21, 2021

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1.03 Roll Cal	l					
C. Cama, Pres.		V. Evans		A. Luc	iano	
R. Falcon		K. Sutton, V. Pres.		E. Tor	nasini	
J. Witkowski		N. Diaz, Superintendent _	<del></del>	L. Tirc	ne	
Presentations						
2.01 Congratulat	ions to Cross Cour	ntry Team – Mr. Diaz				
2.02 Curriculum	Updates – Laura L	oPiccolo, Curriculum Coordir	nator			
Minutes						
3.01 October 18,	2021 – Regular M	leeting				
3.02 October 18,	2021 – Executive	Session			(	attachment)
Resolved, to app	rove the above lis	ted minutes.				
Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent

#### 4. Business Administrator Report – Lori Tirone

4.01 Election Results

Three Year Term (2)

Erin Tomasini	554
Jim Giordano	496
Shana Frondorf	358
Cyrus Cama	356
Deanna Seiple	277

One Year Term - Write In

**Amy Gilpin** 

#### 5. Superintendent's Report - Nicholas Diaz

5.01 Security and Fire Drills – 2021-2022

Type of Drill	Date
Fire Drill	9/10/21
Security Drill (Evacuation)	9/20/21
Security Drill (Testing of Intercom)	10/19/21
Fire Drill	10/28/21

5.02 Report of Violence and Vandalism Incidents – January 1 – June 30, 2021

5.03 Report of HIB Incidents - January 1 - June 30, 2021

#### 6. Public Comments - Privilege of the Floor (3 minutes) – Agenda Items Only

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#### 7. Correspondence

## 8. Subcommittee Discussion and Action Items All resolutions are upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

- 8.01 Ad Hoc (Board Goals, Supt Goals/Personnel)/Strategic Plan Mr. Cama, Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Tomasini
- 8.02 **Facilities and Finance** Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Witkowski **Resolved** to approve items 8.02.1 8.02.3:

#### 8.02.1 Resolution – LEAP Implementation Grant Participation

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey has appropriated funds for Shared Services and School District Consolidation Study and Implementation Grants to assist local units with the study, development and implementation of new shared and regional services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) is tasked with administering these grant funds through the Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP); and

**WHEREAS**, LEAP Implementation Grant funds have been allocated to support costs associated with school district consolidation studies; and

**WHEREAS**, Bethlehem Township, Franklin Township, Hampton Borough, and Union Township have determined to evaluate whether the districts may be able to attain improved educational quality and efficiencies through consolidation or regionalization; and

WHEREAS, a formal study must be undertaken to accomplish this objective; and

**WHEREAS**, the Union Township School District has agreed to be the lead entity in conducting this study and will submit the application for financial support for this study to DLGS on behalf of all participating units.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Franklin Township Board of Education that the Franklin Township School District does hereby join with Union Township in applying for a LEAP Implementation Grant to support undertaking a feasibility study for regionalization/consolidation.

#### 8.02.2 Before School and After School Childcare Services Contract - YMCA

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve a services contract between Franklin Township Board of the Education and YMCA effective January 3, 2022 through June 30, 2022 at no cost to the district, although requests of program space, custodial services, storage space, playground usage, timely notification of unscheduled school closings and access to the building will be granted.

#### 8.02.3 Tuition Contract – Princeton Child Development Institute

**Resolved**, to approve the tuition contract for Student ID #3033027820 to attend Princeton Child Development Institute, beginning on November 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 at the per diem rate of \$595.00 for a total of \$83,895.00.

Motion by: Seconded by:

## Discussion:

## Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mr. Falcon				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Sutton				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mr. Witkowski				
Mr. Cama				
Totals:				

- 8.03 **Curriculum & Education** Mr. Falcon, Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Tomasini
- 8.04 **Policy** Mrs. Evans, Mr. Falcon, Mrs. Tomasini
- 8.05 **Negotiations** Mr. Cama, Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Witkowski

#### 9. Consent Agenda

The matters listed below have been referred to the Board for reading and studying and are to be considered routine. They will be enacted with one motion. If separate discussion is desired, an item may be removed by Board assent.

#### 9.01 **Budget and Finance**

#### 9.01.1 Secretary and Treasurer Report

**Approve** the Secretary and Treasurer Reports submitted for the months ending October, 2021, which agree with each other and the bank. (attachments)

#### 9.01.2 Financial Reports Certification

#### **Approve** the following resolution:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(c)3, the Board Secretary certifies that no line account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(a) and; pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(c)4, we certify that as of October 2021 after review of the monthly reports (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate officials, to the best of our knowledge no major line account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the entire fiscal year.

#### 9.01.3 Transfer of Funds

**Approve** the transfer of uncommitted funds within the 2021-2022 school year budget as per the attached list. (attachment)

#### 9.01.4 Bill List

**Approve** the October, 2021 bill list in the amount of \$1,002,546.97.

(attachment)

#### 9.02 Education

9.02.1 Approve the following field trips:

Grade	Destination	Date
8	North Hunterdon High School	January 2022
5	Woodlands Wildlife Reserve	March 2022

(attachment)

#### 9.03 Personnel

- 9.03.1 **Approve** the following substitute personnel applications:
  - Caryn McKay
  - Kyra Paillex

(attachments)

9.03.2 **Approve** the following professional day requests:

Date	Employee	Name of Professional Development Program	Registration Cost	Mileage Exp.
Jan. 26-28, 2022	Leslie McCusker	Techspo 2022	\$490.00 plus Hotel – \$95.00 per night plus Parking/Tolls	.35/mile
Jan. 26-28, 2022	Lindsay Gooditis	Techspo 2022	\$490.00 plus Hotel - \$95.00 Parking/Tolls	.35/mile
Jan. 26-28, 2022	Elisabeth Alexander	Techspo 2022	\$490.00 plus Hotel - \$95.00 Parking/Tolls	.35/mile
Jan. 13, 2022	Elisabeth Alexander	Makey Makey Certified Educator Workshop	\$150.00	N/A
Nov. 29 – Dec. 3, 2021	Kristen Andreychak	Orton-Gillingham Training	\$1,275.00	N/A
Dec. 6 – 10, 2021	Harmony Stryker	Orton-Gillingham Training	\$1,275.00	N/A
Jan. 3 – 7, 2022	Christine Torres	Orton-Gillingham Training	\$1,275.00	N/A
Jan. 10-14, 2022	Georgia Wilson	Orton-Gillingham Training	\$1,275.00	N/A
Jan. 17-21, 2022	Katherine Matassa	Orton-Gillingham Training	\$1,275.00	N/A

- 9.03.3 **Approve** T.J. Mani's request to volunteer to maintain the FTS school garden during the 2021-2022 school year as part of a community service requirement for completion of his Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge.
- 9.03.4 **Approve** Taylor Simms as a Homework Help volunteer for the 2021-2022 school year.
- 9.03.5 **Approve** Julia Pereira, an Occupational Therapy student attending the University of Pittsburgh to observe speech sessions with Mrs. Kassis from December 20, 2021 January 7, 2022.

#### 9.04 Facilities

9.04.1 **Approve** the following use of facility applications:

Name of Group	Purpose	Location	Days/Dates	Time
F.T. Rec.	Rec. Basketball	Gymnasium	M,T,W,Th.,	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
			Nov. 29, 2021 –	
			Mar. 17, 2022	
			Saturdays, Dec. 11 –	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
			Mar. 19, 2022	(custodian required)
PTA	Class of 2022	Library	Thursday,	3:15 – 6:30 p.m.
	Cheesecake		Dec. 16, 2021	
	Fundraiser			
PTA	Holiday Shop	Library	Tuesday, Dec. 7	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
			W,Th,F, Dec. 8-10	8:30 am – 2:30 pm

(attachments)

**RESOLVED,** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Nicholas Diaz, to approve the above stated consent agenda items.

Discussion:

Motion by: Seconded by:

#### Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mr. Falcon				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Sutton				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mr. Witkowski				
Mr. Cama				
Totals:				

#### 10. Board Matters/New Business

#### 11. Public Comments- Privilege of the Floor (3 minutes)

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#### 12. Personnel - All resolutions are upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

12.01 **Resolved,** to approve the following staff members to be Teacher Leaders for the 2021-2022 school year at a stipend of \$1,500.00 each to be paid from the ESSER II grant.

Amelia Lamonde Alyssa Zollinger

Discussion:

Motion by: Seconded by:

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Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mr. Falcon				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Sutton				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mr. Witkowski				
Mr. Cama				
Totals:				

12.02 **Resolved**, to approve Alyssa Zollinger to present professional development to teachers at our PD Academy at the hourly rate of \$30.00 not to exceed \$120.00.

Discussion:	
Motion by:	Seconded by

#### Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mr. Falcon				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Sutton				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mr. Witkowski				
Mr. Cama				
Totals:				

#### 13. Executive Session

14.

15.

13.01 Adopt the Following Resolution

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Franklin Township Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 and 10:4-12 that said public body hold a closed session on November 22, 2021 for the purpose of discussing a legal matter, and personnel. It is expected that the results of the discussion undertaken in closed session will be made public at the time official action is taken. The board expects to reconvene into public session in approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_ hours/minutes. Action will be taken.

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	Motion	Second	By Voice Vote		No	Abstain	Absent				
13.02 Resolved, to return to Open Public Session atpm.											
	Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent				
Other Business											
Adjournment 15.01 Resolved to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at											
	Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent				