

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
 NEW JERSEY 08868
Board of Education
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
October 28, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.

A G E N D A

I. The meeting was called to Order by President Masino at 6:35pm and the following

Open Public Meeting Announcement was read:

“In accordance with requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notices have been given of tonight’s meeting in area newspapers, which include the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Express-Times and 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 on January 3, 2013.

II. Roll Call - Carol Delsandro, SBA/BS

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	X	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	J. Foran	X	K. Weiss	X
F. Yasunas	Arrived at 6:36		R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X	

Also present Dr. Fredericks, Superintendent and Carol Delsandro, Business Administrator

III. Flag Salute

IV. Introduction of Student Delegate

V. Resolved, to approve the following minutes:

- October 14, 2013 - Regular Meeting
- October 14, 2013 - Executive Session

Motion: Ewing

Second: Crielly

(cherry enclosures V.)
 Motion Carried : 7-0-2

VI. Superintendent’s Report - Dr. Carol Fredericks

A. Information/Discussion Items:

1. Student Delegate- Dr. Fredericks introduced and welcomed 8th grader Candy Greczylo to the board. Candy thanked the board for the opportunity to serve. She conveyed that after talking with other students they are enjoying the new programs especially STEM. Students are also asking for more sports electives and she will be doing a survey and when she has the results she will present them to the board. She also wanted to know if there could be larger

lunch portions for middle school students. Dr. Fredericks said she will meet with the lunch provider. The board asked Candy her opinion on the new lunch/recess schedule. Candy replied that it was working well.

2. PTA Update- Dr. Fredericks informed the board that the PTA wellness committee met with her and great plans for the upcoming year. They will be compiling a cookbook that will be for sale. They will also be offering Zumba and Yoga classes in January. Invest in your child has raised \$5,600.
 3. Enrollment (gold enclosure VI.A.2.)
 4. Choice Information - Current Strategies & Tours- There are 5 new family tours scheduled in the upcoming weeks. We will be letting families know that right now they would have to be on a waiting list.
 5. Lunch and Recess- Dr. Fredericks explained the new lunch/recess. The children now have 20 minutes outside and the eat before recess. If they can't finish their lunch they can stay inside until they do.
 6. Kean University PDS School Application
 7. Orton-Gillingham Teacher Certificate- Mrs. St Laurent completed the training and is very excited to bring what she learned to her classroom. (lime green enclosure VI.A.8)
 8. North Hunterdon-Voorhees Revised Calendar (bright blue enclosure VI.A.4.)
 9. 2014-2015 School Calendar - Survey Results- The results of the survey were Parents 35 yes, 9 no. Staff 6 yes, 4 no. Dr. Fredericks shared a letter she received from the QEA which stated they advised their members not to respond to the survey. Dr. Fredericks informed the board that the QEA contract states the board has the sole authority to set the calendar. She also cited several current litigations that confirmed that the school calendar is non negotiable. She also spoke North Hunterdon's attorney who confirmed the same.
- B. **Resolved**, to synchronize our school calendar with the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District calendar for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion: Ewing

Second: Foran

Motion Carried : 6-2

VII. Business Administrator Report

A. Information/Discussion Items:

1. Update on Park- Dr. Fredericks had a meeting with an engineer and another meeting scheduled with a different engineer for design options.
2. Update on Solar- Mrs. Delsandro updated the board on her meeting with the engineers, construction manager and attorney. Time lines were established for permits and approvals
3. Update on Website- Dr. Fredericks showed the board the curriculum that was added to the website as well as the link to the textbooks.

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

All comments should be directed to the board president. The Board will not respond to complaints from and to school personnel unless the chain of command has been followed, without satisfaction. Furthermore, the Board cannot respond to any complaints from the public directed at any district employee or student, as the Board must protect each employee and each student's right to privacy.

Those wishing to share comments during this portion of the meeting are asked to state their name and address. Each speaker will be given three minutes.

Candy Greczylo 7 Sky Manor Road Pittstown. She has talked to other parents and students who complain that the lunch portion for the middle school students are too small. There are also several meals being offered on a continuing basis that are not liked by the students.

She also suggested that in the winter when it was too cold to go outside for recess if the children could use the gym for physical activity during recess.

Minga Cullen staff member- She wanted to know if every time we had a tour did we give out the lion stuffed animal. Dr. Fredericks told her yes we did.

She asked if the administration compared the air conditioning costs in June to that in August. Dr. Fredericks said yes

IX. Subcommittee Updates

- A. Negotiations - closed session discussions
- B. Policy - None
- C. Budget & Finance- A meeting was scheduled for November 18th at 5pm

X. Correspondence

None

XI. 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.

A. BUSINESS

1. SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORTS

Approve the Secretary/Treasurer's Reports submitted for the month ending September, 2013, which agree with each other and the bank.

(white enclosure XI.A.1)

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 September 30, 2013, after review of the monthly report (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.

3. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Approve the transfer of uncommitted funds within the 2013-2014 school year budget as per the attached list. (white enclosure XI.A.3)

4. **Approve** the October 2013 bill list in the amount of \$757,361.43. (white enclosure XI.A.4)

B. EDUCATION

No Consent Items

C. PERSONNEL

1. **Approve** the following professional day request:

- Dr. Carol Fredericks, Staff Rights, Staff Accountability, and School Ethics, December 10, 2013, Registration \$150.00, Mileage reimbursement \$4.96

2. **Ratify** the approval of the following professional day request:

- Barbara Suozzo, The Overlaps and the Gaps between ASK/HSPA and the New Assessments: Identifying Where Your Gaps are and How to Fill Them, October 25, 2013, Registration cost - \$250.00, Mileage reimbursement \$35.59

3. **Amend** the following professional day request which was approved on September 23, 2013:

- Alison Shelofsky will attend the Common Core Reading and Writing Workshop on November 25, 2013 instead of Barbara Suozzo. Registration cost - \$229.00, mileage reimbursement - \$21.36

4. **Approve** the following substitute teacher applications:

- Mary Ann Weiss
- Maryann Sajor
- Elisa Burg

(canary enclosures XI.C.4)

D. FACILITIES

1. **Approve** the following use of facility applications:

- PTA, Ski Club Meeting, New APR, November 5, 2013, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
- Franklin Township Rec. Basketball, New APR, M-W, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.; Gym on Thursdays, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., November 18, 2013- March 21, 2014; Gym, Saturdays, 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., December 7, 2013 - March 22, 2014.
- PTA Booster Club, Gym, Student-Faculty-Parent Volleyball Game, November 15, 2013, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
- Girl Scouts, New APR, December 13, 2013, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- Immaculate Conception Basketball, Gym, Fridays (when available), 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.,

November 2013 - March 2014.

(lavender enclosures XI.D.1)

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Dr. Carol Fredericks, to approve the above stated consent agenda items.

Motion: Foran

Second : Ewing

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	X	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	J. Foran	X	K. Weiss	X abstained
F. Yasunas	X	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X		<i>from c4</i>

XII. Discussion & Action Agenda

A. EDUCATION

1. NJSQSAC Statement of Assurance Resolution

WHEREAS, the Franklin Township Board of Education and its Chief School Administrator have reviewed the District's New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum Statement of Assurance for 2013-2014 and have determined that all items of the Statement of Assurance have been satisfactorily completed in accordance with applicable requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin Township Board of Education hereby affirms the accuracy of the School District's Statement of Assurance. **(buff enclosure XII.A.1)**

Motion: Ewing

Second : Crielly

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	X	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	J. Foran	X	K. Weiss	X
F. Yasunas	X	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X		

2. **Resolved**, to approve the Franklin Township Board of Education English Language Arts Curriculum for grades K-8, aligned to the Common Core State Standards and the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards. **(email attachment)**

Motion Ewing

Second Crielly

Motion Carried 8-0

B. BUSINESS

1. Action Items:

a. **Resolved**, to dispose of the following obsolete or damaged library books:

First Men	1956
Nickommoh	1972
Complete Book of U.S. Coin Collection	1971
How to Build a Coin Collection	1977

Coins Have a Tale to Tell	1966
Complete Christmas Book	1968
Christmas Legends	1964
Christmas	1934
St. Patrick's Day	1967
Halloween	1980
Washington's Birthday	1967
California Goldrush	1951
Harvest Feast	1938
20 Volumes Animal Kingdom	1970
26 Holiday Books	1956-1968
Almanac	1994
Energy Notebook	1998
1997 Infopedia	1997
Etiquette (damaged)	
Volume 1 - 24 Science Encyclopedia	1994
How to Use a Telescope	1985
Stars	1983
Making Mobiles	1971
5 Mini Computers	1997
Career Exploration on the Internet	2000
4 Castles	1997
Jason and Marceline	1971
History of Rock & Roll	1976
Would You Believe	1977
Nature at its Strangest	1977
Mobiles	1968
Early American Paintbrushes	1971
Far Out Facts	1980
Would You Believe	1977
Comparisons (damaged)	1996
Buildings of Ancient Man	1976
21 Paperbacks	1980-1991
2 Record Beakers	1990
Whales (damaged)	1991
Enjoying Museums	1997
The Ruby in the Snake	1975
David v. God	
Across the Lines	1975
City	1974
Freshman Detective Books	1985
Peru	1966
What Kind of House is That	1971
Ghosts I Have Been	1988
Artist	1987
Games	1947
Collage	1988
Childrens Games	1969

Christmas	1963
Rock Facts	1985
Game Book	1946
First Men in the World	1956
5 Cassell Language Dictionaries (German, French, Italian, Spanish, Latin)	1965
American Slavery	
2 Success with Words	1981
American Talk	1976
8 Dictionary	1982
10 Language/Word Paperbacks	1970-1985
8 Holiday Books	
4 Faded Glory	
2 American Books of Days	
14 Paperbacks	1957-1975
2 Facts about President	1981
16 Paperbacks	1980-1989
York Town Campaign	1971
Dracula	1977
2 Oxford Nursery Rhymes	1983
Civil War Dictionary	1959
Dark Hour	1982
No Promises	1989
Dragons, Monsters	1988
Tree of Language	1981
Mother Goose	1971
Vast Horizons	1943
The Sixties	1986
Let's Experiment	1962
French Carada	1938
Conchita & Juan	1964
Mexico	1943
In Other Words	1969
Addie Runs	1989
Answer Book	1963
Haunted Chimney	1985
My Gramma	1985
Ella & Ross	1985
Awful Mess	1985
10 Cradle of Civilization	1975
Pirates	1978
Ancient Mesopotamia	1979
Ancient China	1979
120 Nancy Drew	1976
Kon Tiki	
36 Cat in the Hats & Other Dr. Seuss	1970's
7 People of the Earth	1975
4 Dictionary	1981

9 Ancient History
Whales (damaged)
Pandas (damaged)
24 Wildlife Book

1975-1989

Motion Ewing

Second Crielly

Motion Carried 8-0

- b. **Resolved**, to approve the tuition contract for 1 special education student (ID# 10323) to attend Lebanon Township School District beginning August 29, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$24,000.00.

Motion Crielly

Second: Ewing

Motion Carried : 8-

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- c. **Resolved**, to approve the 2013-2014 Automotive fuel purchase and Time and Material Shared Services Agreement for the provision of School Bus Maintenance services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 by and between the Delaware Valley Regional High School and the Franklin Township Board of Education. (**salmon enclosure XIII.B.1.c.**)

Motion: Ewing

Second : Cama

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	X	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	J. Foran	X	K. Weiss	X
F. Yasunas	X	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X		

C. FACILITIES

No action items

D. TRANSPORTATION

No action items

E. POLICY

No action items

- F. OTHER MATTERS-** The board congratulated the soccer and volleyball team on a great season.

1. **Motion**, to accept the donation of landscaping services from Whitetail Lawn Service, LLC. P.J Frigiola and Jennifer Thumann-Frigiola.

Motion Ewing

Second: Burdick

Motion Carried : 8-0

G. NEW BUSINESS

- XIII. Board Matters-** Mr. Weiss has a meeting with Commissioner Cerf regarding School Choice and asked for input from the board as to discussion points. There were several discussions, have a concrete plan to submit to the commissioner, bring a representative from NJSBA.

Mrs. Ewing said she could not attend the NJSBA meeting on November 13th and asked anyone else if they could go in her place.

Mr. Foran informed the board of his NJSBA convention experience. He thought it was the most organized and well run one he has been to. He was able to attend 5 sessions in 3 hours. He went to various topics finance, bullying, negotiations, security. He was strongly impacted by the bullying session.

XIV. Personnel

A. Action Items:

1. **Resolved**, to approve the following job descriptions:

- Yearbook Advisor
- Student Council Advisor
- Safety Patrol Advisor
- National Junior Honor Society Advisor

(white enclosures XIV.A.1)

Motion:Crielly

Second: Ewing

Motion Carried : 8-0

2. **Resolved**, to approve the following mentors for novice teachers enrolled in the provisional teacher program for the 2013-2014 school year.

- Mina Nace will be the mentor assigned to Jacqueline Burd.
- Anita Petersen will be the mentor assigned to Jennifer Luong.

The cost for mentoring is the responsibility of the novice teacher.

Motion Ewing

Second: Crielly

Motion Carried : 8-0

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

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No public comments

XVI. Executive Session at 8:05pm

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 October 28, 2013 for the purpose of discussing QEA negotiations. It is expected that the results of the discussion undertaken in closed session will be made public at the time official action is taken. Estimated time is 1 hour. Action may be taken.

Motion:Foran Second: Ewing
Mr. Foran left executive session at 8:29pm

Motion Carried : 8-0

XVII. Resolved, to return to Open Public Session at 9:34.

Motion Burdick Second: Crielly

Motion Carried : 7-0

XVIII. Resolved, to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 9:35.

Motion:Crielly Second: Burdick

Motion Carried : 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Certified by:

Carol Delsandro
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Robert Masino
Board President