

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL  
NEW JERSEY 08868  
*Board of Education*  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
*June 24, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.*

**A G E N D A**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice President Colleen Ewing, 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 - Dr. Carol Fredericks, SBA/BS**

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	J. Foran	x	K. Weiss	absent
F. Yasunas	absent	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	x (ar. 6:40)		

Also present Dr. Broadus Davis, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Carol Fredericks, Business Administrator; Vito Gagliardi, solicitor.

III. **Attendees saluted the flag.**

IV. **Resolved**, to approve the following minutes:

- June 10, 2013 - Regular Meeting, as corrected and amended
- June 10, 2013 - Executive Session

**(salmon enclosures)**

Motion: Creilly

Second: Foran By voice vote, all in favor. Motion Carried.

V. **Interim Superintendent’s Report - Dr. Davis**

A. **Informational/Discussion Items:**

1. PTA Update Activities and programs for next year are being planned now, with an emphasis on cultural programming.
2. Enrollment-294 **(goldenrod enclosure)**
3. Vandalism & Violence Report (September 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012)
4. End of School Year Update—Alexa Sendro, former student delegate, reported on her experience Freshman year at high school. Overall, she felt that FTS prepared her for CP Physics and Geometry. Spanish and History were “easy” but English was the most difficult. A challenge was the larger size of the school and reaching outside her comfort zone to make

new friends and try new activities. Also, Alexa has to learn how to work harder to achieve good grades, and she met her goals.

5. Dr. Davis reported that teachers completed their last day today. Graduation was well attended for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Dr. Davis expressed thanks for the positive support he received in Franklin Township, and for the genuine friendships that were extended to him.

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

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Ms. Meredith Tulli, 626 West Sidney Road, spoke about her sentiments regarding the outsourcing of paraprofessionals to the HESC. She has concern that moving forward she hopes there will be better communication with parents. Mr. Burdick commented that parents are able to view agendas online prior to board voting, and that parents may request to be included on the email list of persons who receive agendas electronically.

Mr. Burdick inquired as to what is positive behavior support. Dr. Davis informed that PBS is intended to help students learn how to manage their own behaviors.

Mr. Masino requested a testing update this year, similar to last year, especially in regards to the Terra Nova results.

## **VII. Subcommittee Updates**

- A. Negotiations--none; the proposed guide is at school boards for analysis
- B. Policy--none
- C. Budget & Finance -none

## **VIII. Correspondence**

None

## **IX. 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. **Approve** the June 2013 bill list in the amount of \$232,584.65, which includes \$0 out of the Capital Projects account. **(white enclosure)**

### **B. EDUCATION**

1. **Approve** the 2013-2014 Professional Development Plan. **(blue enclosure)**

**C. PERSONNEL**

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

- Jeff Weinhold, Jeanne Yancey & Pamela Watkinson, iPad Workshop, Stockton School, August 12 & 13, 2013, Registration Cost \$75.00 each, plus mileage reimbursement of \$16.70 each.
- Donna Browning, iPad Training, Stockton School, August 12, 2013, Registration Cost - 50.00, mileage reimbursement - \$8.35.

2. **Approve** the following course application:

- Jaclyn Fedyna, A Prologue to Contemporary Educational Practice, Centenary College, Summer 2013, at a reimbursement of \$1,920.00 (80% of \$2,400) (handout)

3. **Resolved**, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Joan Murray, part time (.6) speech/language specialist, effective June 30, 2013.

(handout)

**D. FACILITIES**

No Consent Items

**Resolved**, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, Dr. Broadus Davis, to approve the above stated consent agenda items.

Motion: Masino                      Second: Crielly

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i> x	G. Burdick	<i>x(recuse on Burdick check)</i>	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	J. Foran	x	K. Weiss absent
F. Yasunas	absent	R. Masino, <i>Pres.x</i>		

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

**X. Discussion & Action Agenda**

**A. EDUCATION**  
No Action Items

**B. BUSINESS**

1. **Action Items:**

- a. **Resolved**, to approve the revised contract for Student, Local ID #10228, to attend the Extended School Year Program at East Amwell School from July 1, 2013 - August 9, 2013, in the amount of \$4,850.00.

Motion: Crielly    Second: Ewing    By voice vote, all in favor.    Motion Carried.

- b. **Resolved**, to approve the contract for Student, SID #2135812138, to attend the Extended School Year Program at East Amwell School from July 2, 2013 to August 9, 2013, in the amount of \$2,160.00.

Motion: Crielly Second: Cama By voice vote, all in favor. Motion Carried.

- c. **Resolved**, to approve the contract for Student, ID # 10323, to attend the Extended School Year Program at Lebanon Township from July 1, 2013 to August 31, 2013 in the amount of \$6,000.00.

Motion: Crielly Second: Burdick By voice vote, all in favor. Motion Carried.

- d. **Resolved**, to approve the following Nonpublic Services agreements with Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission for the 2013-2014 school year:

- NJ School Textbook Program
- NJ School Technology Initiative Program
- School Nursing Services
- Public Law 1977 Chapters 192-193

(lavender enclosures)

Motion: Crielly Second: Burdick

Insurance broker was contacted, and we are covered for liability under this contract with \$5,000 deductible.

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	x	G. Burdick	<i>x(recuse on Burdick check)</i>	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	J. Foran	x	K. Weiss	absent
F. Yasunas	absent	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	x		

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

- e. Capital Reserve Transfer

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A: 7F-41 permits a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes permit a board of education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, The Franklin Township Board of Education anticipates that an amount not to exceed \$50,000 may be available for such purposes of transfer to the Capital Reserve Account;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Franklin Township Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations, not to exceed \$50,000.

Motion: Crielly Second: Masino

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i> x	G. Burdick	<i>x(recuse on Burdick check)</i>	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	J. Foran	x	K. Weiss absent
F. Yasunas	absent	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	x	

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

f. Maintenance Reserve Transfer

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A: 7F-41 permits a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes permit a board of education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, The Franklin Township Board of Education anticipates that an amount not to exceed \$30,000 may be available for such purposes of transfer to the Maintenance Reserve Account;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Franklin Township Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district’s School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations, not to exceed \$30,000.

Motion: Creilly            Second: Foran

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i> x	G. Burdick	<i>x(recuse on Burdick check)</i>	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	J. Foran	x	K. Weiss absent
F. Yasunas	absent	R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	x	

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

**C. FACILITIES**

No action items

**D. TRANSPORTATION**

No action items

**E. POLICY**

No action items

**F. OTHER MATTERS**

**G. NEW BUSINESS**—Mr. Cama observed that the Patriots game was a great event, and he wished that more parents and students had attended the awards presentation.

**XI. Board Matters**

**XII. Personnel**

**A. Action Item:**

- 1. **Resolved**, to approve Marylou Findley to work 3 days during the summer to review student health records at the per diem rate of \$262.62, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent.

Motion: Creilly                      Second: Burdick

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

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

- 2. **Resolved**, to approve the NJ School Boards Association developed School Bus Driver job description and position of part-time School Bus Driver for the Franklin Township School District for the 2013-2014 school year, reporting to Transportation supervisor and BA. **(yellow enclosure)**

Motion: Creilly                      Second: Burdick

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

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

- 3. **Resolved**, to approve the advertisement and posting of the position of part-time school bus driver, and substitute school bus driver, for the 2013-2014 school year at the rate of \$20 per hour, as needed for special education, regular education and athletic transportation, not to exceed 25 hours per week. Applicant must hold or be eligible for all required public school bus driver endorsements, and pass all mandatory criminal history and drug tests.

Motion: Creilly                      Second: Foran

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

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

- 4. **Resolved**, to approve Minga Cullen to provide tutoring for 3 special education students during the summer at \$30.00 an hour, not to exceed \$900.00, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent.

Motion: Creilly                      Second: Burdick

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

By roll call vote, 6-0-0, motion carried.

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

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Beth Moore, parent of Choice Student asked if choice students could ride the bus. Dr. Fredericks responded that choice students could ride the bus, if the bus is going to their school district.

A recess was taken at 7: 17 for 10 minutes to share a cake with Dr. Davis, and to bid him farewell.

**XIV. Executive Session**

**Adopt the Following Resolution at 7:27 p.m.**

**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 June 24, 2013 for the purpose of discussing the negotiations with the QEA 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.* Estimated time is 30 minutes. Action will not be taken.

Motion : Crielly            Second: Masino            By voice vote, all in favor. Motion Carried.

**XV. Resolved, to return to Open Public Session at 7:52.**

Motion : Burdick            Second: Crielly            By voice vote, all in favor. Motion Carried.

Mr. Gagliardi expressed his kind regard for Dr. Davis' leadership and the positive achievements accomplished in the past two years. He expressed confidence in continued effective leadership under Dr. Fredericks' tenure.

**XVI. Resolved, to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 8:07.**

Motion : Crielly            Second: Burdick            By voice vote, all in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Certified

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 Carol A. Fredericks  
 Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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 Robert Masino  
 Board President