

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL  
NEW JERSEY 08868  
Board of Education  
REGULAR MEETING**

**December 21, 2020 - 6:30 p.m. (Virtual)**  
*Zoom Link will be posted on the FTS Website*

**AGENDA**

**1. Call to Order**

Open Public Meeting Announcement

*Pursuant to Executive Order #103, dated March 9, 2020, Governor Murphy declared a Public Health Emergency and a State of Emergency in New Jersey. On March 20, 2020, P.L. 2020 Chapter 11 amended the Open Public Meeting Act to allow local public bodies to conduct Remote Public Meetings by use of electronic communications technology during a period declared as a Public Health Emergency or a State of Emergency.*

*Adequate Notice and Electronic Notice of this meeting was given by:*

- 1. Publication in the Hunterdon Democrat on January 16, 2020;*
- 2. Advance written notice to the Franklin Township Clerk;*
- 3. Advance written notice posted on the bulletin board of the Franklin Township School;*
- 4. Posting of an electronic notice of this meeting on the district website which provided the time, date and instructions for: (a) access to the Remote Public Meeting, (b) how to provide public comment and (c) how to access the agenda.*

*During the business session portion of this Remote Public Meeting the audio of all members of the public attending the meeting will be muted. During the times of public comment indicated on the agenda, members of the public who desire to provide comment shall submit a written comment via the chat or text message section of the application. The Board Secretary or Board President will read the comments in the order in which they were submitted. Public comment shall be concise and to the point and shall not contain abusive, defamatory, or obscene language.*

**1.01 Roll Call – Patricia Martucci, SBA/BS**

C. Cama, <i>Pres.</i>	V. Evans	A. Luciano, <i>V. Pres.</i>
K. Sutton	E. Tomasini	J. Witkowski
F. Yasunas		

**1.02 Flag Salute**

**2. Presentation – Recognition of Governor’s Educators of the Year Recipients – 2020-2021 and 2019-2020**

- Steven Hunter Timko, Health/P.E. Teacher (20-21)
- Karin Stumpf, School Counselor (20-21)
- Patrick Smith, Art Teacher (19-20)
- Katrina Mani, School Nurse (19-20)

**3. Minutes**

- 3.01 November 16, 2020 – Regular Meeting
- 3.02 November 16, 2020 - Executive Sessions 1 and 2

(attachments)

**Resolved**, to approve the above listed minutes.

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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4. **Business Administrator Report - Patricia Martucci**

- 4.01 Project Updates
- 4.02 2021-2022 Budget Update

5. **Superintendent’s Report - Nicholas Diaz**

- 5.01 Restart and Recovery: School Reopening Plan
- 5.02 Security and Fire Drills 2020-2021

Type of Drill	Date
Fire Drills	September 15 & 17, 2020
Security Drill (Testing of Intercom)	September 22 & 24, 2020
Fire Drills	October 5 & 9, 2020
Security Drill (Lockout)	October 8 & 23, 2020
Security Drill (Evacuation)	October 26, 2020
Security Drill (Testing of Notification System)	November 13, 2020
Security Drill (Shelter in Place)	December 8, 2020
Security Drill (Lockout)	December 11, 2020
Fire Drill	December 14, 2020

6. **Comments and Discussion on School Reopening Plan**

6.01 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.

6.02 Board Comments & Discussion

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) - Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Tomasini, Mr. Witkowski

8.02 **Facilities and Finance** - Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Tomasini, Mr. Witkowski

**8.02.1 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – GARDEN STATE AAC SPECIALISTS, LLC**

**Resolved** to approve a Professional Services Agreement between Garden State AAC Specialists, LLC and the Franklin Township Board of Education for Augmentative and Alternative Communication System Evaluation Services for the 2020-2021 school year, on an as needed basis, at the following rates:

Evaluations	\$150.00 per hour
Written Report	\$300.00 each
IEP Meetings	\$140.00 per hour
PD/Training	\$200.00 per hour
Technical Assistance	\$ 75.00 per hour
AAC Coaching	\$140.00 per hour
Written Implementation Plans	\$140.00 per hour
Cancellation Fee (under 24 hrs)	\$ 80.00 each

(attachment)

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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**8.02.2 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – INTEGRATED SPEECH PATHOLOGY, LLC**

**Resolved** to approve the attached fee schedule for professional service provided by Integrated Speech Pathology, LLC, on an as needed basis, for the 2020-2021 school year.

(attachment)

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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**8.02.3 TUITION CONTRACT (RSY) – UNION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Resolved** to approve a State of New Jersey Department of Education Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement between the Franklin Township Board of Education (Receiving District) and the Union Township Board of Education (Sending District) for Student #5890164884 for the 2020-2021 Regular School Year Program at the rate of \$34,600.00 (to be prorated from 12/3/20).

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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**8.02.4 Water Infiltration/APR – REVISED Change Order #CO-01 Hahr Construction**

**Resolved** to approve change Order #CO-01 (revised) from Hahr Construction as follows:

Original Contract Sum	\$942,700.00
Change to Contract Price (decrease)	(\$141,303.00)
New Contract Sum	\$801,397.00

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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8.03 **Curriculum & Education** - Mr. Cama, Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Tomasini

**8.03.1 School Calendar – 2021-2022**

**Resolved** to approve the 2021-2022 school calendar.

(attachment)

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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8.04 **Policy** - Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Tomasini, Mr. Witkowski

8.05 **Communications** - Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Yasunas

8.06 **Strategic Plan** - Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Yasunas

8.07 **Negotiations** - Mr. Cama, Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Yasunas

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/Treasurer’s Report**

**Approve** the Secretary/Treasurer’s Reports submitted for the months ending November 2020, 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 November 2020 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 2020-2021 school year budget as per the attached list. **(attachment)**

**9.01.4 Bill Lists**

**Approve** the November, 2020 bill list in the amount of \$546,801.21. **(attachment)**

9.02 **Education**

No consent items

9.03 **Personnel**

9.03.1 **Approve** the following substitute teacher:

- Colleen Lambert

**(attachment)**

9.04 **Facilities**

No consent Items

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

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Roll Call Vote:

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

10. **Board Matters/New Business**

11. **Personnel - All resolutions are upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.**

11.01 **Resolved** to accept, with regret, the resignation of Reinhard E. Sorge, Custodian, effective January 15, 2021.

**(attachment)**

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Sutton				
Mrs. Tomasini				



11.05 **Resolved** to accept, with regret, the retirement of Patricia Martucci, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, effective July 1, 2021. (attachment)

Motion by:                                      Seconded by:

Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Sutton				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mr. Witkowski				
Mr. Yasunas				
Mr. Cama				

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

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**13. Executive Session**

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 December 21, 2020 for the purpose of discussing \_\_\_\_\_. 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 / will not be taken.

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13.02 **Resolved, to return to Open Public Session at \_\_\_\_\_pm.**

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**14. Other Business**

**15. Adjournment**

15.01 **Resolved to Adjourn** from the Public Meeting at \_\_\_\_\_.

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