

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING August 20, 2007**

I. Call to Order

Open Public Meeting Announcement

"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 April 30, 2007. Mrs. Wright opened the meeting at 7:05p.m.

II. Roll Call - Gloria Gross, SBA/BS

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>X</u>	<u>arr@7:15</u>	A. Burdick	<u>X</u>	S. Campbell	<u>X</u>
D. Cook	<u>X</u>		P. Duckworth	<u>X</u>	J. Foran	<u>X</u>
N. Reed	<u>X</u>		T. Wolak	<u>X</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>X</u>

III. Flag Salute

IV. Motion to approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- July 16, 2007 - Regular Meeting
- July 16, 2007 - Executive Session 1 and 2

Moved Mrs. Cook Second Mrs. Wolak Motion Carried

V. Construction Update

- Frank Bell Architects, Russ Bercik, DEI - Mr. Bell has met with the fire commissioner with regard to the water tanks. They have no problems with where they are placed. He went over the addendum which has been given out to bidders. He also went over the quotes that he had received from the structural engineers. Mr. Bercik gave the number and names of companies who had picked up bid packets.
- Meeting with Lisa Gorab - she will be coming in tomorrow to meet with Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Gross.

VI. Correspondence

- North Hunterdon/Voorhees Regional High School meeting notice.

VII. Public Comments - Mr. Dahan congratulated the Board on firing the Prisco Group. He feels strongly that the Board pursue legal action against Prisco and find out who should be held responsible.

Mrs. Cargill questioned the use of facilities form which Theatre Works had submitted. Mrs. Pambianchi said she would be flexible with use of the facilities.

VIII. 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. EDUCATION

No consent items

B. PERSONNEL

1. **Approve** the following course applications (balance of 07-08 account as of July 16, 2007 is \$6,488)
 - Nicole Kresch, Counseling Theory and Methods IV, College of St. Elizabeth, Fall 2007, (\$1,847.60)
 - Nicole Kresch, Counseling Theory and Methods V, College of St. Elizabeth, Spring 2008, (\$152.40)
2. Approve the following substitute teacher:
 - Janet Carol O'Connor
3. **Approve** the renewal of the Hunterdon County Substitute Certificate for Lisa Pytell.

C. FACILITIES

No consent items

D. BUSINESS

1. **Approve** the August 2007 bill list.
2. **Approve** the August 2007 bill list in the Capital Projects Account.
3. **Approve** the placement of one Other Health Impaired special education student to attend Bedminster Township School's full day kindergarten program with resource center for the 2007-08 school year at a total of \$27,392.

E. POLICY

No consent items

F. OTHER MATTERS

G. Motion by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Campbell to approve the above stated consent agenda items. Motion carried.

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>Y</u>	A. Burdick	<u>Y</u>	S. Campbell	<u>Y</u>
D. Cook	<u>Y</u>	P. Duckworth	<u>Y</u>	J. Foran	<u>Absent</u>
N. Reed	<u>Y</u>	T. Wolak	<u>Y</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>Y</u>

IX. Discussion & Action Agenda

A. EDUCATION: Superintendent's Report - Karen A. Lewis

1. **Informational/Discussion Items:**

- a. Projected Enrollment
- b. Facilities Use
- c. Meeting with Ken Mandoli and Dominick Zeveney - State Memorandum of Agreement
- d. Kindergarten Orientation

- e. NJ Smart Training
- f. Teacher Assignments
- g. Maintenance Update

2. **Action Item:**

- a. **Motion** to approve the “Update to Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials” form indicating no additional terms or provisions.
 Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mrs. Wolak Motion Carried

B. FACILITIES

1. **Discussion/Action Item**

- a. **Motion** to approve the following use of facility application:
 - Franklin Theatreworks, All Purpose Room, Back Stage, Art Room, Monday - Friday, 3:15 - 9:00 p.m., Sat./Sun. 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., September 2007 - June 2008 pending the submission of the tentative schedule.
 Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mrs. Burdick Motion Carried

C. BUSINESS

1. **Financial Reports:**

- a. **Treasurer's** Report and **Board Secretary's** Reports, (Funds 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50) for June, 2007.
- b. **Motion** to approve the Line Item Transfers of June 2007.

Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

- c. **Motion** by Mr. Campbell and seconded by Mrs. Campbell to adopt the following resolutions:
 - 1. **Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3** the board secretary certifies that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) for June 2007.
 - 2. **Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4** the board of education certifies, after review of the board secretary’s and treasurer’s June 2007 financial reports, that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>Y</u>	A. Burdick	<u>Y</u>	S. Campbell	<u>Y</u>
D. Cook	<u>Y</u>	P. Duckworth	<u>Y</u>	J. Foran	<u>Absent</u>
N. Reed	<u>Y</u>	T. Wolak	<u>Y</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>Y</u>

- d. Construction Manager Budget Buyout reconciled with Business Administrator Financial Report.

2. **Informational Item:**

a. S1701 Report for 2006-07

3. **Action Items:**

a. **Motion** to retroactively approve Patty Cohen to provide in-home parent training for parents of a preschool disabled special education student at a rate of \$50.00 an hour as follows:

- 10 hours between 7/30/07 - 8/31/07
- 20 hours between 9/4/07 - 6/30/08

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Ms. Cook Motion Carried

b. **Motion** to renew the Dowling Food Service Contract for the 2007-08 school year at the management fee of \$7,450.00.

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mrs. Burdick Motion Carried

c. **Motion** by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Foran to approve the transfer of \$140,000 from capital project investment interest to the general fund (miscellaneous revenue) for use in the 2007/2008 budget as per the resolution of May 18, 2007 which was approved by the Township Committee and the Board of Education per the auditor's recommendation. Motion carried.

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>Y</u>	A. Burdick	<u>Y</u>	S. Campbell	<u>Y</u>
D. Cook	<u>Y</u>	P. Duckworth	<u>Y</u>	J. Foran	<u>Y</u>
N. Reed	<u>Y</u>	T. Wolak	<u>Y</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>Y</u>

d. **Motion** to approve the contract with Promedia for the 07-08 school year with a cap of \$10,000.

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

e. **Motion** to renew the agreement with Work Family Connection, Inc. for before and after school care.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

D. TRANSPORTATION

1. **Action Item:**

a. **Motion** to approve a transportation jointure with the North Hunterdon Regional High School Board of Education to transport Franklin Township students in grades K-8 to and from school during the school year 2007-08 at the following cost per route:

<u>Route</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Company</u>
A	\$ 20,306.16	First Student
B	21,578.47	First Student
C	20,306.16	First Student
D	36,769.92	First Student
E	36,790.30	First Student
F	17,715.09	First Student
G1	4,550.05	Hunterdon ESC
G2	17,896.85	Hunterdon ESC
FKA	9,898.20	First Student
FKP	<u>7,172.99</u>	First Student
	\$192,984.19	

Mrs. Reed had a question about the price of routes D and E.

Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

E. POLICY

1. Informational Item:

Policy # 9130 Committees, adopted on 7/16/07 to be inserted in policy books.
Policy #9270 Conflict of Interest, first reading

F. BOARD MATTERS

1. Information/Discussion Items:

- a. Board of Education Vision/Goals 07-08 (Diane Morris) - Mr. Duckworth commented on the content of the document and asked who had prepared it.
- b. August 27th Work Session - Policy Writing

G. NEW BUSINESS

No action items

X. Executive Session

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 Monday, August 20, 2007 for the purpose of possible litigation and personnel issues. It is expected that the discussion undertaken in closed session will be made public at the time official action is taken at 9:15 p.m.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

XI. Motion to return to Open Public Session at 9:55 p.m.

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

XII. Motion to approve the following use of facility application:

- Booster Club, Classroom #12 September 13, 2007 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- FTS PTA, Classroom #12 September 25, 2007 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mr. Campbell Motion Carried

XIII. PERSONNEL

A. Action Items:

- 1. **Motion** by Mr. Foran and seconded by Mrs. Campbell to hire, through the emergent hire process, Marilyn Wechsler as part time (.8) Learning Disability Teacher Consultant for the 07-08 school year at a prorated salary of \$52,414, Step 14, MA+45, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and subject to criminal background check. Motion carried.

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>Y</u>	A. Burdick	<u>Y</u>	S. Campbell	<u>Y</u>
D. Cook	<u>Y</u>	P. Duckworth	<u>Y</u>	J. Foran	<u>Y</u>
N. Reed	<u>Y</u>	T. Wolak	<u>Y</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>Y</u>

- 2. **Motion** by Mr. Foran and seconded by Mrs. Campbell to hire, through the emergent hire process, Conni Keller as part time (.6) instructional aide for the

07-08 school year at a prorated salary of \$14,790, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and subject to criminal background check. Motion carried.

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>Y</u>	A. Burdick	<u>Y</u>	S. Campbell	<u>Y</u>
D. Cook	<u>Y</u>	P. Duckworth	<u>Y</u>	J. Foran	<u>Y</u>
N. Reed	<u>Y</u>	T. Wolak	<u>Y</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>Abstain</u>

3. **Motion** to approve Marylou Findley to come in for one hour at the rate of \$30.00 to gather medical information for legal proceedings.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

4. **Motion** to approve the following personnel to be paid at their per diem rate for kindergarten orientation.

Anita Petersen - 2 days

Marylou Findley - 1 day

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

XIII. Other Board Business

Mrs. Wright discussed Board training. She also said that the Board needs to develop an action plan which would require more time. It was decided to hold a special meeting on August 27, 2007 to discuss committees and policy. A policy for honoring past Board members and the taping of board meetings will be added to the items discussed during the meeting. Mrs. Lewis informed the Board about teachers coming in to conduct a sixth grade parent meeting.

a. **Motion** to acknowledge the structural engineering proposals from the following firms:

Wilson Engineering \$38,000

Becht Engineering \$48,500

Paulus, Sokolowski & Sartor, LLC \$57,200

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mr. Campbell Motion Carried

b. **Motion** to approve Paulus, Sokolowski & Sartor, LLC as structural engineer at a cost of \$41,200 for phase 1 services pending the awarding of bids. Motion failed.

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>Y</u>	A. Burdick	<u>Y</u>	S. Campbell	<u>N</u>
D. Cook	<u>Y</u>	P. Duckworth	<u>N</u>	J. Foran	<u>N</u>
N. Reed	<u>N</u>	T. Wolak	<u>N</u>	D. Wright, Pres.	<u>Y</u>

XIV. Public Comments - None.

XV. **Motion** to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 10:20 p.m.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mr. Campbell Motion Carried

Certified by:

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria J. Gross
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

8/20/07

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