

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING August 27, 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 7:02p.m.*

**II. Roll Call - Gloria Gross, SBA/BS**

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

**III. Flag Salute**

**IV. Correspondence**

**V. Public Comments**

**VI. Committee Work** (Committee of the Whole) - Mrs. Wright explained a work session meeting. A draft agenda would be prepared with motions and items for discussion. Motions would be discussed if more information is needed. Since the meetings have all been advertised as a regular Board meeting a motion could be acted upon at the work session. Finance, bills and treasurer reports would not be available at the work session.

- A. Facilities - the bid opening is at 10:00 a.m. on August 29, 2007. Mrs. Lewis met with Scott and Russ from Frank Bell's and DEI's offices. They are concerned with DCA approval. Bids would have to be awarded "pending DCA approval". Frank Bell will further clarify phase II of the structural engineering proposal so the Board could hire the engineer at the September 10th meeting.
- B. Finance - Lisa Gorab will write a letter detailing her conversations with Beth Brooks at the Division of Finance.
- C. Policy - The 9,000 series must be finished. There will be work done on the travel reimbursement and perhaps facilities use. There are issues with the strip search policy. There was discussion about paying the custodians for groups using the facility on the weekends. The district currently bills the organizations and then pays Aramark. The Board discussed charging the groups up front and then refunding them. Mrs. Reed asked about the policy for honoring Board members. It could be placed in the 9000 series. It could go into the policy on the Role of the Board.

- D. Curriculum - Mrs. Lewis reported on the math curriculum. It will be given out on the 10th.
- E. Negotiations - The QEA contract is ending in June, 2009. The first meeting will be in October, 2008. Mrs. Wright gave an overview of negotiations.
- F. Personnel - Mrs. Wright explained that the Board gets involved in the hiring of administration. The Board discussed job descriptions and contracts for aides.
- G. Transportation - Mrs. Wright explained how the transportation routes are organized.

## VII. Board Business

- A. Board Goals - the document from New Jersey School Boards was discussed and it was decided that the Board goal should be a simple statement. The Board also discussed placing the financial reports and bill list at the end of the table so if any member of the public would like to view these documents they would be available. The township committee does this.

## X. Motion to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Moved Mrs. Burdick Second Ms. Cook Motion Carried

Certified by:

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria J. Gross  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

