

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 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 7:05 p.m.

II. Roll Call - Gloria Gross, SBA/BS

J. Campbell, V.Pres.	<u>X</u>	A. Burdick	<u>X</u>	S. Campbell	<u>X</u> arr@8:00
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. Correspondence

- North Hunterdon/Voorhees Regional High School
- NJSBA

V. Public Comments - Mr. Dahan voiced his concern over the capital project. He urged Mr. Bell not to seal any of the documents prepared by the Prisco Group. He asked if the Board had done anything about filing suit against the Prisco Group. Mrs. Wright responded that the Board attorney has all necessary materials. He also urged a review of the demographic study which had been done a few years ago. Mr. Burdick informed the Board that according to the legal department of New Jersey School Boards policies being adopted by the Board must be read when the motion is made. He commented on the two motions under section XIV items B & C. Mrs. Holsinger voiced concern over the fifth grade classroom and the lockers being in the classrooms and not in the hallways. She felt that Spanish should be on a cart. Mr. Connor also commented on the building project and Mr. Dahan asked about the prior repairs to the roof.

VI. Presentation of Math Curriculum - Mrs. Fedyna presented the math curriculum. Board members received a copy of the document. There were questions from board members about articulation with the high school. Mrs. Wright thanked the people who had worked on the curriculum.

VII. Construction Update - Frank Bell Architects and Dave Tillou, DEI - Mr. Tillou discussed the bids which had been opened on August 29, 2007. Mrs. Burdick and Mr. Campbell gave out spreadsheets on the construction costs. The Board discussed the costs of the project. Mr. Bell informed the Board that the soil borings which may have to be done were not included in the spec and Mr. Tillou said they were. Mrs. Reed voiced her

objection to the project.

A. **Motion** by Mr. Campbell and seconded by Mrs. Campbell to adopt the attached resolution authorizing the rejection of certain construction bids and authorizing negotiations and reserving action on certain other construction bids in connection with the additions and alterations project at the Franklin Township School.

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

The Board attorney will be contacted to see if a two thirds majority is required for this motion to pass.

The motion listed below was tabled.

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.

VIII. Superintendent's Report

- A. Enrollment
- B. Special Education Schools
- C. Back to School Report
- D. Step Repair
- E. Brick waterproofing
- F. New Desks
- G. 6th Grade Parent Meeting Report

IX. Curriculum

A. State Testing Presentation - Mrs. Lewis presented a report on the NJASK, APA and GEPA state tests.

X. Facilities

- A. Use of Facility Requests (Information/Discussion)
- PTA - Market Day, Art Room, 4:30 - 9:30 p.m., 10/30/07, 12/4/07, 2/12/08, 4/15/08, 6/10/08.
 - PTA, Snowflake Ball, Gym, December 14, 2007, 5:30 - 9:00 p.m.
 - Cub Scouts, APR, 9/25/07, 12/4/07, 4/1/08, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.; 11/18/06, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 - Cub Scouts, APR, Pinewood Derby, 1/11/08, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.; 1/12/08, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- B. **Motion** to approve the following use of facility request:
- Cub Scouts, Classroom # 12, Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., September 2007 - June 2008
 - Cub Scouts, APR, 9/25/07, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mrs. Campbell One abstention-Mr. Foran
Motion Carried

XI. Transportation

A. **Motion** to accept the following quotations for field trip/athletic event transportation for the 07-08 school year.

1. Hunterdon County ESC:

- Field trips - \$62.00 per hour
- Athletic events - \$68.00 per hour

2. North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District - no quote

3. First Student - no quote

Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

B. **Motion** to award the quotation from Hunterdon County ESC to provide transportation for field trips and athletic events for the 2007-08 school year at the following rates:

- Field trips - \$62.00 per hour
- Athletic events - \$68.00 per hour

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

XII. 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, September 10, 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. The Board went into closed session at 9:59 p.m.*

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

XIII. Motion to return to Open Public Session at 10:10 p.m.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

XIV. PERSONNEL

A. **Motion** to hire, through the emergent hire process, Jamie Szatkowski, 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.

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>

B. **Motion** to approve the Superintendent's attendance at the Hunterdon County Superintendents' Fall Retreat, September 26 - 28, 2007, at a registration cost of \$436.60, and mileage reimbursement cost of \$157.63.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

C. **Motion** to approve the School Business Administrator's attendance at a Legal Issues Update workshop at a registration cost of \$100.00, and mileage reimbursement cost

of \$40.74.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mrs. Campbell Motion Carried

D. **Motion** to approve the following persons for the following stipend positions for the 07-08 school year per QEA contract:

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| • Jason Lembo | Soccer Coach | \$1,572 |
| | Baseball Coach | \$1,572 |
| •PJ Magala | Volleyball Coach | \$1,572 |
| • Mina Nace | Cheerleading Coach | \$1,572 |
| • Alice Thompson | Safety Patrol Advisor | \$ 282 |

Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

XV. Finance

A. **Motion** to approve an additional cashier at a cost not to exceed \$4,500 for the 07-08 school year through Dowling Food Services.

Moved Mrs. Campbell Second Mr. Foran One no vote: Mr. Duckworth
Motion Carried

XVI. Board Matters

- A. Wesley Lance
- B. Rural Awareness
- C. **Motion** to approve the attendance of Dolores Wright at the Hunterdon County School Board Association Leadership Breakfast at a cost of \$20.00.

Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

D. Board Goals - Mrs. Wright gave a handout to the Board with information on what was discussed at a previous meeting on Board Goals.

Motion to honor the memory of September 11 by having the students observe a moment of silence and also have the flag lowered to half staff.

Moved Mr. Campbell Second Mr. Foran Motion Carried

Mr. Foran expressed concern over the stalemate with the building project. He would like a special meeting next week either Monday or Tuesday based on the attorney's review of the resolution.

XVII. Policy

- A. 1330 - Use of School Facilities
- B. 9400 - Board Self Evaluation
- C. 9311 - Formulation, Adoption and Amendment of Policies
- D. Second Reading Policy 9270 - Conflict of Interest

XVIII. Public Comments - Mr. Burdick commented on the costs associated with the building project. Mr. Crisologo and Mrs. Boreland thought that more information should be given out to the public.

XIV. Motion to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 10:55 p.m.

Moved Mr. Foran Second Mr. Campbell Motion Carried

Certified by:

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria J. Gross
Business Administrator/Board Secretary