

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
NEW JERSEY 08868
Board of Education
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

February 24, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.

A G E N D A

I. The meeting was called to order by President Masino at 6:46pm 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 December 26, 2013.

II. Roll Call - Carol Delsandro, SBA/BS

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	Absent	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	K. Weiss	X	F. Yasunas	X
R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X				

Also present Dr. Carol Fredericks, Superintendent and Carol Delsandro, Business Administrator

III. Flag Salute

IV. Student Presentation - "What a Wonderful World"

V. Resolved, to approve the following minutes:

- February 10, 2014 - Regular Meeting

(att. V. - posted on website after approval)

Motion : Burdick

Second: Crielly

Motion Carried :5-0-1

VI. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Carol Fredericks

A. Information/Discussion Items:

1. PTA Update- Dr. Fredericks read an email from Mrs. Paulter. The PTA does not have any nominees for President and Vice President. If they do not receive any nominees by March 18, 2014 they will have to go on hiatus. The science fair will be held on March 6th. George Burdick and Carol Delsandro will be the judges. The Middle school dance will be held Friday February 28, 2014

2. Enrollment

(att. VI.A.2)

3. Student Council Activities - Spirit Week- The new committee has been meeting and creating events

(att. VI.A.3)

4. Middle School Dance (att. VI.A.4)
5. Parking Letter for Parent Drop Off (att. VI.A.5)
6. Calendar Update (att. VI.A.6)
7. Choice Update- Dr. Fredericks has a phone conference with Evo Popoff on Thursday February 26, 2014 to discuss the Choice program

The student delegate Matt spoke about a survey he did in the Middle School regarding JNHS. He surveyed 30% of the middle school. Two thirds responded that they thought the standards for the JNHS could be made higher then the current 85%. Mr. Masino thanked Matt for his time and effort.

VII. Business Administrator Report

A. Information Item:

1. NJ Department of Agriculture - Comprehensive Review- Mrs. Delsandro informed the board that the NJ Dept of Agriculture was in for two days performing a full comprehensive review of the district's food service program. It went well and the district will receive the written approval in the next several weeks.

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

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Minga Cullen, QEA president- She asked Matt the student delegate if he was referring to the JNHS or Honor Roll in his survey. He responded that he asked his peers what they thought of the current Honor roll standards and if that should be what the JNHS standards should be.

IX. Subcommittee Updates

- A. Negotiations – Executive session
- B. Policy – agenda items
- C. Budget & Finance - None

X. Correspondence

XI. 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 February 2014 bill list in the amount of \$628,224.95.
(att. XI.A.1)

B. EDUCATION

1. **Acknowledgement** of the following students for their participation in the NJ Secondary School Theatre Competition on February 1, 2014 at Rutgers University, under the guidance of Jennifer Luong:
- Lianna Bonacorsi
 - Josh Nilsen
2. **Approve** the "Too Good for Drugs" drug prevention program for grade 5 with lessons scheduled March 10 - April 11, instructed by Franklin Township Police Officer, Kevin Bollaro.

C. PERSONNEL

1. **Approve** the following professional day requests:
- Marylou Findley, School Nurse Articulation Meeting, March 17, 2014, No cost for registration or mileage reimbursement.
 - Dawn Stubing, Hunterdon County Librarians Workshop, February 27, 2014, Registration cost of \$40.00, mileage reimbursement \$0.

D. FACILITIES

1. **Approve** the following use of facility request:
- Franklin Township Summer Recreation, New APR, Gym, Fields, 1 Classroom, July 14 - 25, 2014, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

(att. XI.D.1.)

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Dr. Carol Fredericks, to approve the above stated consent agenda items.

Motion: Crielly

Second : Burdick

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	Absent	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	K. Weiss	X	F. Yasunas	X
R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X				

XII. Discussion & Action Agenda

A. EDUCATION

1. **Resolved**, to approve the DEAC/ScIP Committee consisting of the following members:
- Dr. Carol Fredericks, Superintendent
 - Sophia Van Ess, School Supervisor
 - Mr. Robert Masino, Board President
 - Dr. Anita Petersen, Kindergarten Teacher
 - Mrs. Lynn Johnson, Grade 5 Teacher

C. FACILITIES

No action items

D. TRANSPORTATION

No action items

E. POLICY

1. Discussion Item:

- a. National Junior Honor Society (att. XII.E.1.a)

2. Action Items:

- a. **Resolved**, to adopt after a second reading the revised policy 5126, Awards for Achievement, to include section on National Junior Honor Society.
distributed 2/10

Motion: Burdick Second: Crielly Motion Carried:5-1-0

- b. **Resolved**, to adopt after a second reading the National Junior Honor Society Bylaws and Procedures.
distributed 2/10

Motion: Crielly Second:Weiss Motion Carried : 6-0-0

- c. **Resolved**, to approve the first reading of the following revised policy:
• 3541.33 - Transportation Safety (att. XII.E.2.c)

Motion: Crielly Second:Weiss Motion Carried : 6-0-0

- d. **Resolved**, to approve the first reading of the following regulation:
• 2541.33R - Use of Video Cameras on School Buses (att. XII.E.2.d)

Motion: Crielly Second:Weiss Motion Carried : 6-0-0

- e. **Resolved**, to approve the first reading of the following policy:
• 3541.32 - District Owned Vehicles (att. XII.E.2.e)

Motion: Crielly Second:Yasunas Motion Carried : 6-0-0

F. OTHER MATTERS- Mr. Burdick asked if with all the snow days is the district current with the common core standards. Dr. Fredericks said we missed 7 days of school and had 6 early dismissal/delayed openings. She said we are about a week behind in instruction. Ms. Crielly asked if the marking period dates were adjusted. Dr. Fredericks said yes.

G. NEW BUSINESS- None

XIII. Board Matters

XIV. Personnel

1. **Resolved**, to approve a medical leave of absence for Alison Shelofsky to begin on April 8 through April 25, 2014. Accumulated sick days will be used for this leave.

Motion: Crielly

Second : Weiss

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	Absent	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	K. Weiss	X	F. Yasunas	X
R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X				

2. **Resolved**, to approve Jennifer St. Laurent to be the softball coach at the stipend of \$1,827, subject to final approval of the ratified salary guide.

Motion: Crielly

Second : Yasunas

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	Absent	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	K. Weiss	X	F. Yasunas	X
R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X				

Mr. Masino thanked Ms. St. Laurent for stepping up

3. **Resolved**, to approve the following volunteer baseball coaches subject to criminal background check.

- Kevin Conover
- Edward Busher
- Kevin Suydam
- Gary Paulter

Motion: Crielly

Second : Burdick

C. Ewing, <i>V.Pres.</i>	Absent	G. Burdick	X	C. Cama	X
C. Crielly	X	K. Weiss	X	F. Yasunas	X
R. Masino, <i>Pres.</i>	X				

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Minga Cullen, QEA President- stated that when her children were younger they did not report any incidents to her and that the district should hold on to any video tapes they have for an indefinite period. The board responded that it they only had to have 30 days by law of video tapes. Dr. Fredericks told her that she could give a further explanation in private at another time.

XVI. Executive Session at 8:18pm

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 February 24, 2014 for the purpose of discussing matters of attorney-client privilege/settlement and QEA negotiations 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 be taken*

Motion: Crielly

Second: Burdick

Motion Carried: 6-0-0

XVII. Resolved, to return to Open Public Session at 8:41pm.

Motion: Cama

Second: Weiss

Motion Carried: 6-0-0

Resolved, to approve the following amended minutes:

- February 10, 2014 – Executive Session

Motion: Burdick

Second: Crielly

Motion Carried: 5-0-1

Dr. Fredericks informed the board that the teachers came on their own to the Wonderful World presentation.

Ms. Crielly suggested that at every board meeting the district spotlights a topic- ex: teacher IPAD use.

Mr. Yasunas wanted to recognize the 4th grade girls recreation basketball team on an undefeated season.

XVIII. Resolved, to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 8:46pm.

Motion: Crielly

Second: Weiss

Motion Carried: 6-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Certified by:

Carol Delsandro
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Robert Masino
Board President