

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
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SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

March 31, 2025

**For the Special Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Education Monday, March 31, 2025
at 6:30 p.m. in the Franklin Township Elementary School Multipurpose Room**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

In accordance with requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notice has been given of tonight's meeting in the Hunterdon Star Ledger and Express Times, has been 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, and posted on the school website on March 21, 2025.

IV. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Colleen Cummins _____ Mrs. Shana Frondorf _____ Mr. James Giordano _____ Mrs. Allison Luciano _____

Mr. Craig Metz _____ Mr. Matt Naughton _____ Mrs. Caroline Licwinko _____

V. 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's and each student's right to privacy.

Those wishing to share comments during this portion of the meeting are asked to sign the register at the podium and state their name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if applicable. Public comment shall be concise and to the point and shall not contain abusive, defamatory, or obscene language. Each speaker will be given up to three minutes.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Franklin Township Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin Township Board of Education has determined that the following issues are permitted by N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance and shall be discussed during an Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the nature of the matter(s) to be discussed, reviewed, or heard before the Franklin Township Board of Education, detailed as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13.2 et. seq., shall include HIB and personnel matters; and

WHEREAS, the length of the executive session is expected to be approximately 45 minutes, after which the meeting shall reconvene and proceed with business wherein action may be taken;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin Township Board of Education will go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Franklin Township Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the subject will be made public at such time as the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion to approve the above executive session resolution for the Franklin Township Board of Education adjourning to closed session to discuss HIB and personnel matters, wherein the length of time for the executive session is expected to be approximately 45 minutes, after which the meeting shall reconvene and proceed with business wherein action may be taken.

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve action item VI for the Board to enter into Executive Session at _____ PM.

Voice Vote:

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| Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
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MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to reconvene the public portion of the meeting of the

Franklin Township Board of Education to a public session at _____ PM.

Voice Vote:

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| Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
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VII. OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve action item VII A. (through ?).

A. Appointment of Independent Investigator

Resolved, that the Board appoints Timothy Downs, Esq. as an outside independent investigator to investigate various H.I.B. complaints at the hourly rate of \$300.00 per hour.

B. Appointment of Home Instructor

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Township Board of Education approved the employment of Mina Nace, Home Instructor at a rate of \$35.00 per hour for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.

C. Acceptance Of Resignation

Resolved, the Franklin Township Board of Education accepts the resignation of Dr. Joanne Calabro, Interim Superintendent of Schools effective March 20, 2025.

VIII. NOTEWORTHY DATES

Next regularly scheduled meeting April 14, 2025
Rescheduled meeting from May 12, 2025 to May 5, 2025

IXI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN by _____, seconded by _____ at _____ PM.

Voice Vote:

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| Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
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