

**FREEHOLD BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC BOARD ACTION MEETING
HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2013 AT 7:00 PM
280 PARK AVENUE, FREEHOLD, NJ 07728**

A. OPENING STATEMENTS

1. Call to Order

The Public Board Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Jordan, in the Cafetorium of the Park Avenue Complex, 280 Park Avenue, Freehold, New Jersey, 07728 at 7:03 PM. She read the Open Public Meeting Act, C 231, P.L. 1975.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Jordan led all in the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Mrs. Jordan asked Mr. Strimple to call the roll. A quorum of the board was present.

Present:

Annette Jordan – President
Susan Greitz
Maureen MacCutcheon
Margaret Rogers

Dr. Michael Lichardi – Vice President
James Keelan (arrived 7:12p.m.)
Bruce Patrick
Michelle Tennant

Absent:

Thomas Parke

Other Attendees:

Dr. Rocco Tomazic – Superintendent

James H. Strimple, Jr. – Business Administrator

B. BOARD PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT COMMENTS

None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Dr. Lichardi offered the following motion, seconded by Mr. Patrick.
A roll call vote was taken and the minutes were approved unanimously.*

1. Recommend the Board approve the release to the public of the minutes of the Board Action Meeting Agenda held on November 11, 2013

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Rocco Tomazic

1. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report

Please see Section G.; Pupils, Item 2

Calendar/Announcements

➤ Strategic Plan Goal: School and Community Partnerships

Dr. Tomazic shared with the Board that the technology survey revealed that approximately 60% of the district's population has internet access at home.

Dr. Tomazic also informed the Board that the proposal for a public relations person will not be feasible for 2014 – 2015 as the budget will not be able to support the position.

The on-line grading expansion was to coincide with the district re-structuring; however, Dr. Tomazic would like that project to proceed now as there is no need to wait.

Dr. Tomazic asked the Board members for more information on the Parent Accountability Plan referenced in this section of the Plan. Mrs. Jordan and Dr. Lichardi informed Dr. Tomazic that the intent was for the parent to have consequences for infractions such as chronic lateness.

In reviewing the current community relationships Dr. Tomazic mentioned the partnerships with Big Brothers and Big Sisters; United Way; the local YMCA and the community events held at Barnes & Noble. Dr. Tomazic referenced the ESL classes taught at Brookdale Community College that help with citizenship and that the Hispanic Coalition is now offering classes here. Finally, Dr. Tomazic spoke of the "Day in the Life" video program that would highlight information on the rich educational experiences offered in District.

- Dr. Tomazic said that a new survey would be conducted regarding student uniform code of dress.
- The fiscal year audit is near completion and there are no recommendations.
- 12/2/13 – Mr. David Sciarra, Esq. of the Education Law Center will be in district to discuss the under adequacy status of the district.
- Dr. Tomazic shared with the Board that there is an agenda item regarding the filing of the capital projects with the Department of Education.
- The winter sports season is set to begin next week with both the girls and boys basketball teams hosting their first games.
- Dr. Tomazic wished all a Happy Thanksgiving

The Superintendent recommends the following motions to the Freehold Borough Board of Education for approval:

Mr. Patrick offered the following motion, seconded by Dr. Lichardi that items F-1 through K- 9 be approved. A roll call vote was taken and all items were passed unanimously.

F. INSTRUCTION

1. Cooperation Agreement with the Education Department, New Taipei City, Republic of China (Taiwan) and Freehold Borough School District

Authorize a cooperation agreement with the Education Department, New Taipei City, Republic of China (Taiwan) and the Freehold Borough Public Schools to promote global international education and learning between the two school districts.

2. 2013-2014 Revised Curricula

Adopt the following revised district curricula for the 2013-2014 school year:

Core Content Standard	Grade Span	Adoption Date
English Language Arts (Common Core)	6-8	November 25, 2013

G. PUPILS

1. Modification to November 11, 2013 Agenda Item G.1 – FLC 4-13/14

Eliminate item FLC 4-13/14, item was an update to FLC 3-13/14.

2. RESOLVED, the board accepts the Superintendent’s report of all cases of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying reported since the last board meeting on November 11, 2013.

Case	School	HIB?	Description	Action
FIS 9-13/14	FIS	No	Offender called victim “fat” and “smelly.”	Offender and victim otherwise friendly. Joking around got out of hand. All counseled on boundaries of jokes.
PAE 13-13/14	PAE	No	Offender allegedly asked to touch private parts in game of Truth or Dare. Offender denies accusation.	Offender received lunch detention, victim counseled.
PAE 14-13/14	PAE	No	Offender called victim “stupid” and hit him in the stomach, discovered weeks after incident.	Offender and victim counseled.
PAE 15-13/14	PAE	No	Offender allegedly called victim a vulgar name. Offender denies accusation.	Offender and victim counseled.
PAE 16-13/14	PAE	No	Offender grabbed victim by the neck.	Offender received two day recess detention, victim counseled.

3. RESOLVED, the board approves the Superintendent's report of all cases of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying reported on November 11, 2013.

Case	School	HIB?	Description	Action
FIS 6-13/14	FIS (21 CCLC)	Yes	Continually calling a girl by a boy's name that does not match her name.	Offenders received principal warning and counseling. Victim received counseling.
FIS 7-13/14	FIS	No	Alleged another student called him gay. Alleged offender said he called the song he was singing as gay.	Offender and victim counseled.
FIS 8-13/14	FIS	Yes	Offender called student ugly and made other insulting comments.	Parent conference with offender followed by formal apology. Victim counseled.
PAE12-13/14	PAE	Yes	Offender called victim "stupid" and "dumb"	Offender received lunch detention, victim counseled.

4. Special Education Program

Amend the approval for grade span of the following Special Education program for the 2013-2014 school year.

School	From	To
PAE	Behavior Disability (Self-Contained) Grades 1-3	Behavior Disability (Self-Contained) Grades K-3

5. Transportation

Approve Unlimited Autos, Keyport, NJ (Route # E3135) to transport SID # 10210725 to FLC who was placed in a resource family home in Ocean, NJ at the daily rate of \$115.67 appropriated from GAAP Account 11-000-270-517-00-00-06.

6. Field Trip List

Approve field trips in accordance with attached field trip list.

H. ADMINISTRATION

None

I. BUSINESS

1. Approval of Travel Related Expenses

Approve travel and related expense reimbursement in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B as per attached 2013-2014 Travel Authorization Logs.

9. Acceptance of School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports – Drills 1 of 2 for 2013-2014 School Year

Accept the School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports as submitted from Park Avenue School, Freehold Intermediate School and Freehold Learning Center as the first of two drills required under New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27-11.2).

School	Date	Time
Freehold Learning Center	10/22/13	8:45 AM
Park Avenue Elementary	10/24/13	8:45 AM
Freehold Intermediate School	11/19/13	7:30 AM

10. Approval of Filing Capital Projects with the Department of Education

RESOLVED that the Freehold Borough Board of Education approve the following projects:

- Additions and Renovations to the Freehold Learning Center
- Additions and Renovations to the Park Avenue School Complex

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the district’s architects, Fraytak Veisz Hopkiins Duthie, P.C. be authorized to submit the above projects to the New Jersey Department of Education for approval on the District’s behalf as “long term debt.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that amendments to the Long Range Facilities Plan by Fraytak Veisz Hopkins Duthie, P.C. to incorporate the above projects be approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Freehold Borough Board of Education authorizes the district administration to submit all necessary documents to the Department of Education regarding the projects and that the district administration be authorized to take all necessary actions to submit the project for a referendum vote.

11. NCLB Amendment

Approve the amendment to the 2013-2014 NCLB Grant for the purpose of adding funds carried over from 2012-2013 as per the NJDOE-approved 2012-2013 NCLB Final Report.

Title IA	Original FY 14 Application		FY 13 Carryover		Amended FY 14 Application	
	Public	Nonpublic	Public	Nonpublic	Public	Nonpublic
100-100	\$415,269	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$415,269	\$0
100-300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-600	\$34,000	\$0	\$45,000	\$0	\$79,000	\$0
100-800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
200-100	\$56,517	\$0	\$52,178	\$0	\$108,695	\$0
200-200	\$157,972	\$0	\$21,323	\$0	\$179,295	\$0
200-300	\$68,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$68,800	\$0
200-500	\$5,853	\$0	\$20,754	\$0	\$26,607	\$0
200-600	\$12,535	\$0	\$13,382	\$0	\$25,917	\$0
200-800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Admin	\$31,301	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$31,301	\$0
TOTAL	\$782,247	\$0	\$152,637	\$0	\$934,884	\$0

<i>Title IIA</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>Nonpublic</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>Nonpublic</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>Nonpublic</i>
100-100	\$32,596	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$33,096	\$0
100-300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
200-100	\$0	\$0	\$2,370	\$0	\$2,370	\$0
200-200	\$18,621	\$0	\$219	\$0	\$18,840	\$0
200-300	\$0	\$8,314	\$0	\$2,677	\$0	\$10,991
200-500	\$0	\$0	\$5,236	\$0	\$5,236	\$0
200-600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
200-800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$51,217	\$8,314	\$8,325	\$2,677	\$59,542	\$10,991
<i>Title III</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>Nonpublic</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>Nonpublic</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>Nonpublic</i>
100-100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
100-600	\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$0
100-800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
200-100	\$42,578	\$0	\$120	\$0	\$42,698	\$0
200-200	\$7,845	\$0	\$9	\$0	\$7,854	\$0
200-300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
200-500	\$660	\$0	\$729	\$0	\$1,389	\$0
200-600	\$1,176	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,176	\$0
200-800	\$140	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$140	\$0
Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$56,399	\$0	\$858	\$0	\$57,257	\$0

12. Use of Facilities

Approve the following use of facilities for the 2013-2014 school year.

Event	Date	Time	Fee
Girls Scout – PAC Cafetorium	12/5/13	5:30 – 8:30 PM	N/A
Freehold Soccer League PAC Gym	01/2014 – 3/2014 Wed/Thurs evenings	6:30 – 9:00 PM	\$576

J. PERSONNEL

1. Modification to September 23, 2013 Agenda Item – J.5 Appointment of PAE Teacher Assistant
Authorize a modification to September 23, 2013 agenda item J.5 Appointment of PAE Teacher Assistant, Justin Stanislaus, to a multiply disabled teacher assistant, appropriated from GAAP account 11-212-100-106-00-00-04.
2. Modification to August 12, 2013 Agenda item-Teacher Assistant
Approve the modification to August 12, 2013 agenda item-teacher assistant.

Name	Previous Placement	New Placement
Corey Cohen	PAE LLD 11-190-100-106-00-00-09 (100%)	FIS RR 11-213-100-106-00-00-04 (100%)

3. Appointment of PAE Bilingual/ESL Teacher

Appoint Jean Schiller as PAE Bilingual/ESL teacher for the 2013-2014 school year, at Step 17 – MA+30, \$76,130 to be prorated, effective January 27, 2014, appropriated from GAAP account 11-240-100-101-00-00-03, pending Criminal History approval. Ms. Schiller holds a B.A. in Special Education from Georgian Court University and an M.S. in Bilingual Special Education from Buffalo State College. Ms. Schiller holds the following certifications: Teacher of Bilingual/Bicultural Education, Teacher of ESL, Elementary School Teacher, Teacher of the Handicapped and Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant. (replacement for Karen Wagar)

4. Transfer of Teacher

Transfer Jacqueline Bennett-Tur from FIS Resource Teacher to FIS Grade 7 LAL Teacher, effective December 9, 2013 – May 29, 2014. (replacement for Angela Germano’s maternity leave)

5. Leave Without Pay

Approve leave without pay for Jody Vorel on November 14 and 15, 2013.

6. Approval of Substitute Clerical Assistant

Approve Arlene Bielen as a substitute clerical assistant for the 2013-2014 school year, at a rate of \$10/hour.

7. Approval of Staff for 21st CCLC After School Program

Approve the following 21st CCLC staff to be appropriated from GAAP account 20-307-100-101-00-00-03.

Name	Position	Rate of Pay
Allison O’Rourke	Substitute Teacher	\$30/hour
Ashley Irving	Substitute Teacher Assistant	\$15/hour
Jason Stanislaus	Substitute Teacher Assistant	\$15/hour

8. Approval of Student Teacher

Approve the following student teacher placement at FLC.

Name	College	School	Cooperating Teacher	Dates
Stephanie Larios	Georgian Court	FLC	Gr. 3 – Nicolina Harker	1/27/14 – 5/9/14

9. District Spanish Translators

Approve the following district Spanish translators for the school year 2013-2014 school year as of November 21, 2013, at \$30/hour, not to exceed a total of \$3,500, appropriated from GAAP account 11-000-230-100-00-04-09.

Name	Rate/Hour	Verbal	Written
Evelyn Mendoza	\$30	X	X
Antoinette Giaimo	\$30	X	

10. Appointment of Substitute Teacher with a College Degree

Approve the following substitute teacher with a college degree, pending Criminal History approval.

Name	Degree	College	Major	Criminal History Approval
Barbara Bromley	B.S.	Kean University	Business Management	Yes

11. Renewal of Substitute Certificate

Approve the renewal of substitute certificate.

Name	Degree	College	Major	Criminal History Approval
Jean Soccodato	B.S.	Kean University	Marketing	Yes

K. POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

1. 2nd Reading of Policy #2468 Independent Educational Evaluations

Approve the 2nd Reading of Policy #2468 Independent Educational Evaluations.

2. 2nd Reading of Policy #3230 Outside Activities (Teaching Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Policy #3230 Outside Activities (Teaching Staff Members).

3. 2nd Reading of Regulation #3230 Outside Activities (Teaching Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Regulation #3230 Outside Activities (Teaching Staff Members).

4. 2nd Reading of Policy #3232 Tutoring Services (Teaching Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Policy #3232 Tutoring Services (Teaching Staff Members).

5. 2nd Reading of Regulation #3232 Tutoring Services

Approve the 2nd Reading of Regulation #3232 Tutoring Services.

6. 2nd Reading of Policy #4230 Outside Activities (Support Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Policy #4230 Outside Activities (Support Staff Members).

7. 2nd Reading of Regulation #4230 Outside Activities (Support Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Regulation #4230 Outside Activities (Support Staff Members).

8. 2nd Reading of Policy #4281 Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Support Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Policy #4281 Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Support Staff Members).

9. 2nd Reading of Regulation #4281 Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Support Staff Members)

Approve the 2nd Reading of Regulation #4281 Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Support Staff Members).

L. NEW BUSINESS/ADDENDA

None

M. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

N. COMMUNICATIONS FROM SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

None

O. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

P. REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

None

Q. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mrs. Greitz, seconded by Dr. Lichardi the Board of Education adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by:



James H. Strimple, Jr.
Interim Board Secretary