

AGENDA
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
SEPTEMBER 22, 2011 – 7:30 P.M.

CALL OF ROLL

Mr. Richard E. Arline	Mrs. Eva M. Nagy
Mrs. Teletha A. Brown, President	Mrs. Julia Presley, Vice President
Mr. Delvin Burton	Mr. Richard Seamon
Mrs. Nancy LaCorte	Ms. Keisha Smith-Carrington
Mr. Thomas J. Lewis	

Mr. Edward Q. Seto, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. John Calavano, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary
Ms. Eveny Pagán, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Brian Bonanno, Interim Director of Personnel Services
Mr. Henry Sherren, Director of Pupil Personnel Services
Mr. Orvyl Wilson, Director of School Management and Student Advocacy

___ Members of the Public

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

In accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" P.L. 1975, c. 231 (Sunshine Law), the schedule and notification of this meeting have been provided for on May 4, 2011. Copies of this notice were faxed to the **Courier News**, the **Home News Tribune**, **The Star-Ledger**, **The Trenton Times**, Franklin Township Clerk/Manager, WCTC Radio, District Schools, Offices and Associations, PTO Presidents, and posted on the Central Administration Building notice board.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Mission of the Franklin Township Public Schools is to provide excellent educational opportunities that meet or exceed New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards for every student; maintain an environment that engenders an appreciation of the value of every student; develop every student to his/her highest potential; and instill the attitudes, skills, and knowledge necessary to become independent, contributing members of a democratic, multi-cultural society.

DISTRICT GOALS

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: *Design, implement and assess high quality learning activities and opportunities that improve teaching and the academic achievement of all students, as measured by district and state assessments.*

PUBLIC RELATIONS/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: *Design, implement and assess strategies that strengthen community relations and instill confidence in the school district through increased accountability, transparency and awareness of district activities.*

SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY: *Design, implement and assess programs and system improvements that promote safety and security in all district facilities, functions and wherever district students are the responsibility of the Board of Education.*

FACILITIES: *Design and implement strategies that provide efficient, effective maintenance and management of all current and future facilities to create environments that promote student learning and minimize energy consumption.*

Administration

A-1 Travel & Related Expense Reimbursement

Moved:

Seconded:

Adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Franklin Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 requires Board members to receive prior approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, A Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only as described in NJOMB Circular Letter 06-02, including amendments or revisions thereto, a threshold amount below which Board approval is not required; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education establishes, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the listed school board members and district employees at the attached training, seminars, conferences and conventions, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Franklin Township Board of Education authorizes in advance, as required by statute, attendance at the attached training, seminars, conferences and conventions.

(Exhibit A-1 attached hereto and made a part of the minutes.)

Smith-
Carrington

A-2 National Principals Month - October 2011

Moved:

Seconded:

WHEREAS, schools inspire the next generation of professionals, political leaders, artists, educators, and others who contribute to a healthy and prosperous society; and

WHEREAS, principals are responsible for providing instructional leadership and professional management in our schools; and

WHEREAS, principals set the academic tone for their schools and work collaboratively with teachers to develop and maintain high curriculum standards, set performance goals and objectives and ensure high quality instruction; and

WHEREAS, principals are dedicated to their students' ongoing academic and intellectual development. Principals work to provide a positive support system to empower their students and to give them the right tools they need to succeed; and

C-4 Change to Work Place Readiness Elective Courses

Moved:

Seconded:

Approve change to the following Work Place Readiness elective courses from full-year courses to half-year courses to commence with the 2011-2012 school year.

- Introduction to Materials Design (wood shop)
- Computer Animation / Web Design

Arline Burton LaCorte Lewis Nagy Presley Seamon Smith-
Carrington Brown

Personnel

P-1 Job Descriptions

Moved:

Seconded:

As recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following new job description as detailed in Exhibit P-1 attached hereto and made a part of the minutes:

Manager of Administrative Services

Arline Burton LaCorte Lewis Nagy Presley Seamon Smith-
Carrington Brown

P-2 Personnel Report No. 4, dated September 22, 2011

Moved:

Seconded:

As recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, approve Personnel Report No. 4. (Exhibit P-2 attached hereto and made a part of the minutes.)

Arline Burton LaCorte Lewis Nagy Presley Seamon Smith-
Carrington Brown

P-3 Salary Allocations 2011-2012

Moved:

Seconded:

Approve salary allocations for 2011-2012 as detailed in Exhibit P-3 attached hereto and made a part of the minutes.

Arline Burton LaCorte Lewis Nagy Presley Seamon Smith-
Carrington Brown

IX. Old Business

- Discussion of Board Goals

X. Comments From The Public (*5 minutes per speaker—any topic*)

Note: Any matters which arise after this agenda is posted which are so urgent that their omission would seriously affect the operation of the district will be considered at this point in the agenda.

Alternate Location

Confidential Session *(if deemed necessary)*

Moved:

Seconded:

Motion to adjourn to confidential session for the purpose of discussing confidential matters. Minutes of the confidential session meeting will be made public when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

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Arline Burton LaCorte Lewis Nagy Presley Seamon Smith- Brown
Carrington

Returned to open session at _____ p.m.

XII. Adjournment 10:00 P.M. *(In accordance with Bylaw No. 9322)*

Moved:

Seconded:

Action to adjourn.

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Arline Burton LaCorte Lewis Nagy Presley Seamon Smith- Brown
Carrington