

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
FACULTY DINING ROOM G100
JULY 30, 2013 – 7:03 PM**

Mr. Richard E. Arline
Mr. Delvin Burton – arrived at 7:05 PM
Mr. Thomas J. Lewis
Mrs. Eva M. Nagy, Vice President
Dr. Julia M. Presley, President

Mr. Richard Seamon
Ms. Keisha Smith-Carrington – arrived at 7:10 PM
Mr. Robert T. Trautmann
Mrs. Betty Whalen

Mr. Edward Q. Seto, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. John Calavano, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary
Ms. Eveny Pagán, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction - absent
Mrs. Gail Reichg, Director of Personnel
Mr. Orvyl Wilson, Director of School Management
Mrs. Mary Clark, Coordinator of Policies & Regulations

Ms. Gwen Thornton, Field Representative, NJ School Boards Association

And 2 Members of the Public

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mrs. Whalen led the Board in the pledge.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Mr. Calavano read the following 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 July 11, 2013 and July 26, 2013. Copies of this notice were faxed to the **Courier News**, the **Home News Tribune**, **The Star-Ledger**, **The Times of Trenton**, Franklin Township Clerk/Manager, WCTC Radio, District Schools, Offices and Associations, PTO Presidents, and posted on the Central Administration Building notice board.

Mr. Lewis read the following statement:

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

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION: *To commit to continuous improvement of student achievement through the implementation of rigorous curriculum aligned to the 2009 NJCCC and Common Core Standards, as evidenced by grade-level performance and student growth as measured by multiple measures.*

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: *To strengthen District communication through the use of the District and school-based websites and other media and to increase public engagement in the District through increased collaboration with the community.*

SAFETY AND SECURITY: *To continue the District's efforts to improve the culture and environment of our schools and to build positive relationships that promote respect, motivation for learning, and creativity in and for our students.*

FACILITIES: Utilizing the District's 2011-2021 Long-Range Facilities Plan, develop a building program that will enhance and improve the District's delivery of education to all students; provide additional classroom space to address the projected enrollment growth over the next five years; address critical maintenance issues in all existing facilities and consider potential changes to the delivery of education and identify potential future buildings to support this paradigm shift.

PURPOSE:

- Board Retreat
- Report of the Board Secretary (Revised)
- June Report of the Treasurer (A-149)
- June Cash Reconciliation of (A-148 and A-149)
- Authorize the Purchase of Energy Generation Services
- Personnel Appointments

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The meeting was opened for public comment at 7:06 PM on a motion by Mr. Seamon, seconded by Mr. Lewis. All board members were in agreement. Public comments were heard by the Board of Education. The following is a brief synopsis of comments made by the public.

John Felix commended the district for covering the cost of PSATs. He requested the Board and Curriculum Committee consider establishing an SAT Prep course at no cost to students/parents.

Motion to close the public portion of the meeting at 7:10 PM by Mr. Trautmann, seconded by Mr. Seamon. All board members were in agreement.

B-1 Financial Reports

B-2 Energy Generation Services for Public Use on an Online Auction Website

Moved: Mr. Seamon

Seconded: Mr. Trautmann

B-1 Financial Reports

Accept financial reports attached hereto and made a part of the minutes as follows:

- a. Report of the Board Secretary (Exhibit B-1.a) (June) - Revised
- b. Report of the Treasurer (A-149) (Exhibit B-1.b) (June)
- c. Cash Reconciliation of A-148 & A-149 (Exhibit B-1.c) (June)

B-2 Energy Generation Services for Public Use on an Online Auction Website

Whereas, Franklin Township Board of Education has determined to move forward with the EMEX Reverse Auction in order procure electricity for Franklin Township Board of Education; and

Whereas, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001, c. 30) (the "Act") authorizes the purchase of energy generation service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

Whereas, Franklin Township Board of Education will utilize the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act, waiver number EMEX LLC-1, located at www.energymarketexchange.com; and

Whereas, EMEX, LLC is compensated for all services rendered through the participating supplier that a contract is awarded to; and

Whereas, the auction will be conducted pursuant to the Act; and

Whereas, if the auction achieves a 24 month term price of \$0.05099 / kWh for the Lighting Meters; a \$0.09850 / kWh for the GLP Meters; and a \$0.09650 / kWh for the LPLS and LPLP Meters, Franklin Township Board of Education may award a contract to the winning supplier for the specified term.

Resolved, that the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Board Secretary execute on behalf of Franklin Township Board of Education any electricity contract proffered by the participating supplier that submits the winning bid in the EMEX Reverse Auction if the auction achieves a 24 month term price of \$0.05099 / kWh for the Lighting Meters; a \$0.09850 / kWh for the GLP Meters; and a \$0.09650 / kWh for the LPLS and LPLP Meters.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Arline	Burton	Lewis	Nagy	Seamon	Smith-Carrington	Trautmann	Whalen	Dr. Presley

P-1 Personnel Report No. 3, dated July 30, 2013

Moved: Mr. Seamon Seconded: Mr. Trautmann

As recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, approve Personnel Report No.3, as detailed in Exhibit P-1 attached hereto and made a part of the minutes.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>
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BOARD RETREAT

The board discussed District Goals for the 2013-14 school year. Ms. Thornton provided the 2012-13 Board Self-Evaluation Final Report to all board members.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Mr. Trautmann Seconded: Mr. Burton

Action to adjourn at 9:21 PM.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Arline	Burton	Lewis	Nagy	Seamon	Smith-Carrington	Trautmann	Whalen	Dr. Presley

Respectfully submitted,

John Calavano
Board Secretary