

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MIDDLEBUSH CONFERENCE ROOM
NOVEMBER 12, 2012 – 7:30 PM**

Mr. Richard E. Arline - absent
Mrs. Teletha A. Brown, President - absent
Mr. Delvin Burton
Mrs. Nancy LaCorte
Mr. Thomas J. Lewis - absent

Mrs. Eva M. Nagy
Mrs. Julia Presley, Vice President
Mr. Richard Seamon
Ms. Keisha Smith-Carrington

Mr. Edward Q. Seto, Superintendent of Schools - absent
Mr. John Calavano, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary
Ms. Eveny Pagán, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction - absent
Ms. Gail Reichg, Director of Personnel - absent
Ms. Pamela R. Horn, Director of Pupil Personnel Services - absent
Mr. Orvyl Wilson, Director of School Management and Student Advocacy - absent

And 0 Members of the Public

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Ms. Smith-Carrington 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 September 28, 2012, October 25, 2012 and November 7, 2012. 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.

Mrs. Nagy 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: Approve a field trip.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The meeting was opened for public comments at 7:32 PM on a motion by Mrs. LaCorte, seconded by Mr. Seamon. There were no public attendees and no comments at this time. Motion to close the public portion of the meeting by Mr. Seamon, seconded by Mr. Burton.

C-1 Field Trip Application (Involving overnight, over 150 miles, or air travel)

Moved: Mrs. Nagy

Seconded: Mr. Burton

Approve the following field trip:

Franklin High School Model United Nations attend the 2012 Rutgers University Model United Nations Conference, New Brunswick, NJ, November 15 – 18, 2012, as detailed in Exhibit C-1 attached hereto and made a part of the minutes.

<u>Absent</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Arline	Burton	LaCorte	Lewis	Nagy	Presley	Seamon	Smith-Carrington	Brown

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Calavano
Board Secretary