

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
POLICY COMMITTEE
Middlebush - Conference Room

Report June 24, 2013

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.

Committee Members and Others Present

Eva M. Nagy, Committee Chair

Keisha Smith-Carrington, Committee Member

Robert Trautmann, Committee Member

Julia Presley, Board President, Ex Officio Committee Member (by phone)

Edward Seto, Superintendent of Schools, Ex Officio Committee Member

Mary L. Clark, Coordinator of Policies & Regulations Committee Liaison

Eveny Pagan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Jeanne Perantoni , SSP Architectural Group

The meeting began at 5:45 pm.

This was a special meeting of the Policy Committee to discuss a draft of a new regulation for Policy 6151 Class Size.

Much of the language of the draft regulation mirrors language which had been contained in the previous Policy 6151 regarding class size. That policy had suggested class sizes from grades K through 6. The suggested class size guidelines for these grades in the regulation draft are slightly different. Jeanne Perantoni from SSP Architectural Group assured the Committee that the changes in suggested class size from the old Class Size Policy to the proposed Class Size Regulation would not affect any documents that had been prepared or submitted regarding the Long Range Facilities Plan or Proposed Referendum.

The regulation draft includes the addition of suggested class sizes for grades 7 -12. The regulation also includes language regarding minimum class sizes for elective classes at the secondary level. An exception to the minimum of 15 students in elective classes was included in the regulation to cover those classes which require specialized facilities and equipment.

The majority of the Committee agreed that the changes in suggested class size as well as the class size numbers for grades 7-12 and minimum class size numbers were acceptable so that the Regulation might be forwarded to the full Board for discussion and approval. At the Policy Committee meeting on July 9, 2013, the Committee will further review the language of the Regulation.

The meeting ended at 6:42 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Eva M. Nagy, Committee Chair
Regulations

Mary L Clark, Coordinator of Policies and

