

**FRANKLIN LAKES BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FRANKLIN LAKES, NEW JERSEY**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

Franklin Avenue Middle School  
755 Franklin Avenue, 8:10 PM  
Multi-Purpose Room

1. **CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT**

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

3. **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. This does not extend to Board discussions of pending or active litigation, contract negotiation, and matters involving the confidentiality and privacy rights of students and employees. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on the School website; published in the Board's designated newspapers: *The Record* and *The Suburban News*; and mailed to all persons, if any, who have requested said notice. In addition, please be aware that employees of this School District retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public and, in order to protect the privacy rights of employees in the District, the Board shall not respond to statements made by the public of or about District employees.

Meetings of the Board are conducted for the purpose of carrying on the business of the schools and, therefore, are not public meetings, but meetings held in public. As a reminder, the Board of Education has a "BOE Suggestion Box" located on the District Website under "Board of Education." The Board welcomes your questions, input and suggestions.

4. **ROLL CALL**

Mr. Peter Koulikourdis, Dr. Jennifer Marcus, Ms. Susan McGowan, Mr. Robert Medeiros, Mr. Jeffrey Merlino, Ms. Shirley O'Reilly, Ms. Kathie Schwartz, Ms. Jackie Veliky. Mr. Ben-David was absent.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Ms. O'Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve Minutes from the meetings on March 24, 2015	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.

6. **MOTION TO APPROVE BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER'S REPORTS**

Motion by Ms. O'Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve Board Secretary and Treasurer's Report for February 2015	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.

7. **APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BUDGET STATUS CERTIFICATION**

The Board Secretary certifies that for the month ending February, 2015, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education certifies that as of February, 2015, the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) did not reflect an over-expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on this report and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion by Ms. O’Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve Monthly Budget Status Certification ending February 2015	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.

8. **PUBLIC WORK SESSION**

Sheli Danski, President, Bergen County School Boards Association  
 Board Training – Roles and Responsibilities– NJSBA – Mr. Al Annunziata, NJSBA  
 Field Service Representative

9. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Motion by Ms. O’Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve motion to open the meeting to public discussion on agenda items	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.

None

Motion by Ms. O’Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve motion to close the public discussion and re-enter the regular public meeting.	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.

10. RESOLUTIONS

<b>RESOLUTION #</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>
<b>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</b>	
<b>1CW</b>	<b>OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT</b>
<b>2CW</b>	<b>APPROVE USE OF FAMS PARKING LOT</b>
<b>Motion by Ms. O'Reilly To approve 1-2CW</b>	<b>Seconded by Ms. McGowan. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.</b>
<b>BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND OPERATIONS</b>	
	<b>NONE</b>
<b>CURRICULUM &amp; INSTRUCTION</b>	
<b>1CUR</b>	<b>APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS</b>
<b>Motion by Ms. McGowan To approve 1CUR</b>	<b>Seconded by Ms. O'Reilly. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.</b>
<b>FINANCE</b>	
<b>1F</b>	<b>APPROVAL OF LINE ITEM TRANSFERS – MARCH, 2015</b>
<b>2F</b>	<b>APPROVAL OF CURRENT BILLS LIST</b>
<b>3F</b>	<b>APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDRAISERS FOR THE 2014-15 SCHOOL YEAR</b>
<b>Motion by Ms. O'Reilly To approve 1-3F</b>	<b>Seconded by Ms. Veliky. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.</b>
<b>PERSONNEL</b>	
<b>1P</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT OF MICHELLE MONAGHAN AS LEAVE REPLACEMENT TEACHER AT COLONIAL ROAD SCHOOL</b>
<b>2P</b>	<b>ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF FAYE MURNO, PLAYGROUND/LUNCH AIDE, COLONIAL ROAD SCHOOL</b>

<b>Motion by Ms. O'Reilly To approve 1-2P</b>	<b>Seconded by Ms. McGowan. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ben-David was absent.</b>
<b>POLICY</b>	
	<b>NONE</b>

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**#1CW**

RESOLUTION NO.

**OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education approves out-of-district placements for the following students.

Student ID #	Placement	Dates	Tuition
6871950891	Craig School	September 2015- June 2016	\$37,035.00

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

**#2CW**

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVE USE OF FAMS PARKING LOT**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the use of the Franklin Avenue Middle School parking lot on May 30-31, 2015 as a rest stop for the participants of the Go the Distance 4 Autism Ride.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

**BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND OPERATIONS**

RESOLUTION NO. NONE

**CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE**

**#1CUR**

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education approves the field trips listed on the attached summary.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

Attachment

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**FINANCE**

**#1F**

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF LINE ITEM TRANSFERS – MARCH, 2015**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the line item transfers for the months of March, 2015. In order to accomplish the aforesaid purpose the Business Administrator was authorized to transfer the amount of money into and out of the line items set forth on the attached schedule.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

Attachment

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**#2F**

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF CURRENT BILLS LIST**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education approves the payment of claims on the current bills list in the amount of \$3,611,336.69 for March, 2015.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

Attachment

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#3F

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDRAISERS FOR THE  
2014-15 SCHOOL YEAR**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education retroactively approves the attached lists of additional fundraisers for the 2014-15 school year.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015  
Attachment

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**PERSONNEL**

#1P

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPOINTMENT OF MICHELLE MONAGHAN AS LEAVE REPLACEMENT TEACHER AT  
COLONIAL ROAD SCHOOL**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education approves the appointment of Michelle Monaghan as Leave Replacement Teacher at Colonial Road School, to be placed at Step 4, Class BA, on the 2013-14 Teachers Salary Guide at a salary of \$53,385.00, prorated, effective April 24, 2015 through June 30, 2015;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this appointment is expressly contingent upon Michelle Monaghan executing the Board's customary employment contract, containing a sixty (60) day termination clause.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

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**ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF FAYE MURNO, PLAYGROUND/LUNCH AIDE,  
COLONIAL ROAD SCHOOL**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education accepts the resignation of Faye Murno, Playground/Lunch aide, Colonial Road School, effective April 1, 2015.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Faye Murno.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: April 14, 2015

**POLICY**

- 11. **SUSPENSION REPORT** – Dr. Furnari reported 1 suspension at FAMS
- 12. **ENROLLMENT REPORT** – Dr. Furnari reported 1 new student at CRS and 1 new student at FAMS
- 13. **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**Vision Statement:**

In pursuit of our district’s vision to build a learning environment where all children and adults take ownership to become imaginative, reflective, information age explorers and contributors to society, by developing in students a life-long commitment to learning, a sense of personal and social responsibility, healthy self-esteem, and a respect and appreciation of diversity, I offer the following update on our progress toward District Goals.

Our first goal speaks to the importance of Student Achievement, assessment and program evaluation.

- I would like to officially welcome Ms. Kelly Hart, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction, to our district. Ms. Hart’s first day was yesterday, and she has spent her time fully immersed in her new role. She visited all of our schools yesterday, and engaged in a full day session with other FLOW curriculum administrators and staff today. Ms. Hart, who will be working under the direction of Mrs. Jameson, is a welcome addition to our team.
- I had the opportunity to visit some our schools since our last meeting, most recently, with our Instrumental Music students at HMR, who were engaged in a trumpet lesson with Mrs. Cipriano, who let her students know that I play the trumpet too! I also had the opportunity to attend the HMR spring vocal music concert and the WAS production of Grease. Our elementary school performers are learning a great deal and are doing a wonderful job with their teachers. Congratulations to all our young performers.
- The FAMS production of Fiddler On The Roof was a great success. Although I was not able to attend, I would like to congratulate all involved in this fine production.

Our second goal speaks to the professional development of administrators and staff in

support of teaching and learning.

- The third cycle of the observation process ended today. Administrators and staff are currently completing the summative evaluation and SGO verification process. As I have reported before there were approximately 171 teacher observations completed in Cycle 1, and an additional 173 completed during Cycle 2. Cycle 3 included another 173 observation. The observation and evaluation process is critical to our ability to ensure that teachers and administrators continue the dialogue focused on teaching and learning, in order to provide our students with appropriate programs and services.

Our third goal is about communication.

- Just a reminder that as part of District Goal 3, we will release a District Satisfaction Survey next week. Topics include school related items as well as District level information. A notice will be e-blasted to parents, which includes the link to access the survey. I encourage you share your thoughts with us. We hope to learn a great deal about how our district is doing from your participation.

Finally, Our fourth goal is related to Financial & Resource Management.

- The 2015-2016 budget was submitted to the Bergen County Superintendent's Office as required. We have approval of the County Superintendent's Office and plan to hold our next budget presentation on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

This concludes tonight's update. I am happy to address any questions you may have. Thank you.

14. **BOARD COMMENTS/NEW BUSINESS**

Delegates Assembly, Saturday, May 16. Ms. O'Reilly will attend with Dr. Marcus. Board invited to march in Franklin Lakes Memorial Day parade. NJ School Boards requested photos of Board Members at Graduation Ceremonies.

15. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY TOPIC OF CONCERN**

Motion by Ms. O'Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve motion to open the meeting to public discussion on any topic of concern.	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously.
None	
Motion by Ms. O'Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve motion to close the public discussion and re-enter the regular public meeting.	On roll call. Motion carried unanimously.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Ms. O'Reilly	Seconded by Ms. McGowan
To approve motion to adjourn meeting at 9:35 p.m.	<b>On roll call. Motion carried unanimously.</b> Mr. Ben-David was absent.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael Solokas  
Business Administrator/Board  
Secretary