

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
52 ASBURY-BROADWAY ROAD
WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY 07882**

DATE: March 17, 2021

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA ITEMS - REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to order

TIME IN: _____

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT: Advance notice of this meeting was published in the Express Times and the Star Ledger on January 14, 2021, inclusive of information on virtual attendance. These were legal public notices. Notice of this meeting was also posted at the Franklin Township Municipal Building, the Franklin Township School, and on the Franklin Township School website.

2. Flag Salute and Moment of Silence

3. Roll Call

☐ Mrs. Hansen

☐ Mrs. Butler

☐ Mrs. Hart

☐ Mr. DiGilio

☐ Mrs. Matlock

☐ Mr. Klus

☐ Mrs. Ames

☐ Mr. Hansen

☐ Mrs. Sbriscia

4. Executive Session

- 4.1.** Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss items related to negotiations and litigation matters, with information to be released at a date, not yet determined. (It is estimated that the Board will be in Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes.)

(Motion____ Second____ / Yes____ No ____ Abstain ____)

Board entered Executive session at _____ pm.

- 4.2.** Motion to reconvene Public Session.

(Motion____ Second____ / Yes____ No ____ Abstain ____)

Board left Executive session at _____ pm

5. Virtual Meeting Guidelines:

The public has two opportunities to provide comments, during this meeting. This can be done in-person, virtually, or by forwarding comments in written or email form to the Board office at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Comments are limited to a maximum of 5 minutes. Anyone commenting virtually will be required to exhibit the same level of appropriateness as one attending the meeting in-person. When not commenting, all members of the public attending virtually must utilize the system's mute function. The Board reserves the right to mute any individual acting inappropriately and/or any individual whose transmission is causing audio problems.

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2021.
(Attachment A1)

(Motion____ Second____ / Yes____ No ____ Abstain ____)

6.2. Motion to approve and make public the executive session minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2021. (Attachment A2)

(Motion____ Second____ / Yes____ No ____ Abstain ____)

7. Correspondence: none

8. Public Input on Agenda Items – Anyone addressing the Board must state their name, prior to speaking.

9. CSA Report – (Attachment A3)

- NJQSAC Performance Report

10. Budget Update and Spring Newsletter (Attachments A4 & A5)

11. Legislation and Policy Reports –

11.1. Policy – E. Ames

11.2. Legislation:

- Franklin Township Committee – J. Butler
- Franklin Township PTA Representative – J. Hansen
- NJSBA Delegate/Legislative Representative – R. DiGilio
 - Department of Agriculture extension of SSO cafeteria program until 9/30/21
 - 4% Surplus legislation
- NJASA Representative – M. Eagleburger
- Warren County School Boards Representative – D. Sbriscia & R. DiGilio
 - April 27, 2021 Virtual Meeting

12. Financial Reports:

12.1. Motion to approve the line item transfers and reclassifications, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator: (to be provided, if needed)

Transfers:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Source Account/Title</u>	<u>Target Account/Title</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03/02/21	111-190-100-610-099-000 SUPPLIES - CROSS CONT	11-000-221-590-000-000 SOFTWARE LICENSING	Gen Supl to Software	200.00
03/03/21	111-000-262-610-000-000 SUPPLIES	12-000-261-730-000-000 Undist Exp - Req Maint-Sch Fac	Custodial Supplies to Req Maint	4,904.00
03/15/21	111-000-100-561-000-000 Tuit to Other LEAs In State-Re	11-000-100-562-000-000 TUITION TO OTHER LEA IN STAT	Tuition Reg to Tuition Spec Educ	9,000.00

(Motion____ Second____ / Yes____ No ____ Abstain ____)

13. Public Input, Prior to Board Action - Anyone addressing the Board must state their name, prior to speaking.

14. Action Items:

14.1. Motion to approve the following block of Program, Curriculum, and Instruction-related items, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator:

14.1.1. Approve the district's 3/17/21 revisions to the school calendar.

14.1.2. Accept the New Jersey Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) District Performance Report 2020-2021 and confirm that the district's placement on the continuum has reported to the public at the first public meeting following the generation of the report by the County Office of the Department of Education.

14.1.3. Approve the Travel and Related Expense Report for March 17, 2021. **(Attachment A6)**

ROLL CALL

(Motion ____ Second ____)

<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Hansen	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Hart	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Sbriscia	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Klus	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. DiGilio
<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Butler	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Matlock		<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Ames	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Hansen

14.2. Motion to approve the following block of Finance-related items, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator:

14.2.1. Approve the following budget resolution:

WHEREAS, the 2021/2022 budget includes sufficient funds to implement the proposed planning process as described in this district's Annual Report pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-11 and to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the Core Curriculum Content Standards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the 2021/2022 budget in the amount of \$4,947,852 as follows:

Operating Budget	\$4,872,852
Grants and Entitlements	\$75,000
Repayment of Debt	\$0.00
Total Base Budget	\$4,947,852

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following amounts shall be raised from taxes:

Operating Budget	\$4,039,535
Repayment of Debt	\$0.00
Total	\$4,039,535

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to acknowledge that the 2021/2022 budget has described above results in an operating budget tax levy in the amount of \$4,039,535.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the district will seek the utilization of \$95,750 in prior year banked tax levy cap adjustment for the 2021-2022 school year to increase the Operating Budget tax levy over the 2% tax levy cap, by said amount. Utilization of the banked cap is necessary, due to the loss of State School Aid in excess of that amount, for the 2021-2022 school year.

14.2.2 Approve the following maximum travel expenditure resolution:

WHEREAS, school district policy #0147 and NJAC 6A:23B-1.2(b) provides that the board of education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2021/2022 school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin Township Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2021/2022 school year at the sum of \$40,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure the maximum amount is not exceeded.

14.2.3. Approve the following maximum public relations expenditure resolution:

WHEREAS, school district policy #9120 and NJAC 6A:23A-9.3(c)14 provides that the board of education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such Public Relation purposes for the 2021/2022 school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin Township Board of Education hereby establishes the school district Public Relations maximum for the 2021/2022 school year at the sum of \$4,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure the maximum amount is not exceeded.

14.2.4. Approve a tuition contract related to the placement of a Franklin Township/Warren County student in a Multiple Disabilities class operated by the Franklin Township Board of Education/Hunterdon County at an annual tuition of \$34,600.00, pro-rated for the balance of the 2020-2021 school year, commencing on March 15, 2021.

14.2.5. Approve contracting with the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, for the provision of a personal aide for a Franklin Township student attending the Multiple Disabilities class at the Franklin Township School in Quakertown, NJ, commencing on March 15, 2021 and continuing through June 30, 2020, at a rate of \$25.75 per hour (inclusive of all employer tax and pension costs) plus the actual cost for health insurance premiums and/or a health insurance waiver incentive for said individual.

14.2.6. Authorize the CSA and Business Administrator to enter into a contract for webhosting and social media services with Apptegy, at a cost of \$6,250 to cover start-up costs and first year service, in

response to the intent of the district to provide equitable, broadened communications connections with the community. Funds for this project will be provided through the district's annual REAP grant.

14.2.7. Approve a parental transportation contract (Route #P12021) for a Franklin Township student (Confidentiality Code #20210217001), commencing on 3/15/21 and continuing through 6/30/21, at an annual contract amount of \$19,600, pro-rated for the period specified above.

14.2.8. Approve tentative tuition rates for the district's preschool program for the 2021-2022 school year, as follows:

- Free Lunch Qualified
 - 2 days per week No Cost
 - 3 days per week \$30/month
- All Other Resident Students
 - 2 days per week \$85/month
 - 3 days per week \$110/month

ROLL CALL

(Motion ____ Second ____)

☐ Mr. Hansen ☐ Mrs. Hart ☐ Mrs. Sbriscia ☐ Mr. Klus ☐ Mr. DiGilio
☐ Mrs. Butler ☐ Mrs. Matlock ☐ Mrs. Ames ☐ Mrs. Hansen

14. Be It Resolved by the Franklin Township Board of Education that the Stipulation of Settlement and Release for the case of OAL Docket No. EDS 8803-20 be approved, upon receipt of documentation, referenced in page 3, section 2., from the petitioner, and that the Board President and Board Secretary are authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board, upon receipt of said documentation.

ROLL CALL

(Motion ____ Second ____)

☐ Mr. Hansen ☐ Mrs. Hart ☐ Mrs. Sbriscia ☐ Mr. Klus ☐ Mr. DiGilio
☐ Mrs. Butler ☐ Mrs. Matlock ☐ Mrs. Ames ☐ Mrs. Hansen

15. Motion to approve the March 17, 2021 bill list in the amount of \$51,455.75 and the following non-checks. (**Attachment A7**)

Date	Check #	To	For	Amount	Account
2/12/2021	N0901	Chase NY	Bond Princ.	\$185,000.00	40-701-510-910
2/12/2021	N0902	Chase NY	Bond Interest	\$4,625.00	40-701-510-834
2/23/2021	N0903	FTS Café	Cafeteria Aid	\$14,314.75	10-402

(Motion ____ Second ____ / Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____)

16. Motion to adjourn the meeting.

(Motion ____ Second ____ / Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____)

Meeting adjourned at _____.