

Frenchtown Board of Education

Regular Meeting Agenda

November 23, 2021 6:45 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Opening Statement

Adequate notice of this regularly scheduled meeting of the Frenchtown Board of Education has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act by notification to the Hunterdon County Democrat on January 14, 2021. A copy of this notice has also been posted at the public school, at the municipal building and filed with the borough clerk.

2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Mr. Adam Blackburn	Ms. Erinn Nakahara	Mrs. Kate Nugent
Mrs. Kara Bobrowski	Ms. Laine Nauman	
Mr. Aaron Lambert	Mr. Hugo Rodriguez	

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (all school-related topics; time limits: 30 min. total; 3 min. /person)

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5. 2021/2022 BOARD and DISTRICT GOALS

Frenchtown District Goals (2021-2022)

1. Provide continued management of the Covid 19 crisis as it relates to the district.
2. Continue to explore opportunities with Kingwood Township School for our middle school students.
3. Review Math opportunities for our students, especially at the middle school level, to ensure that our students' math skills transition well to the high school curriculum.

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Board Goals

1. Support a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion in our classroom environment through board policy, curriculum, and professional development.
2. Provide support for needed equipment, communication, and community engagement during the extended Covid 19 crisis.
3. Develop a new mission statement with input from students, staff, and members of the public.

6. **PRESENTATIONS** – Mr. James Hintenach

MS Math Map

Review Math opportunities for our students, especially at the middle school level, to ensure that our students' math skills transition well to the high school curriculum.

7. **BOARD SECRETARY REPORT**

Informational Items

- Board Meeting Schedule
 - ✓ December 21, 2021 – Action Meeting
 - ✓ January 4, 2022 – Reorganization Meeting
- Correspondence
- Election Results
 - Laine Nauman
 - Kate Nugent
 - Michael Dermody, 1 year unexpired term
- Board Member Training
- Enrollment – November 19, 2021

Grade	Student Enrollment	Choice In	Choice Out
Pre K	10	1	
Kindergarten	14	4	
Grade 1	9	1	2
Grade 2	18	1	1
Grade 3	6	0	
Grade 4	12	1	1

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Grade 5	15	2	3
Grade 6	9	0	1
Grade 7	3	0	2
Grade 8	12	0	
Out of Dist.	1		
Total	109	10	10

Action Items

7.1 Motion to approve the following minutes:

- October 19, 2021 -Regular Session
- October 19, 2021 – Executive Session

8. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Informational Items:

a. Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Monthly Incident Report for period ending November 23, 2021.

Month/Year	# of Incidents Reported	# Identified as HIB	Remediation	Discipline & Remediation	Appealed (Y/N)
Sept 1- Sept 28	0				
Sept 29 – Oct 19	0				
Oct 20– Nov 23	0				
Nov 24 – Dec 21					
Dec 22 – Jan 25					
Jan 26 – Feb 22					
Feb 23 – Mar 22					
Mar 23 – April 26					
April 27 – May 10					
May 11 – June 28					
TOTAL	0				

b. Short term suspension report: None

c. Security and Fire Drills

Drill	Date Completed
Security Drill	11-22-2021
Fire Drill	11-10-2021

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Action Items:

8.1 Motion to affirm the HIB report submitted on October 19, 2021.

9. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

10. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

11. POLICY

First Reading

11.1 Motion to approve the first reading of the following policies:

5126	Awards for Achievement
5141.10	Face Coverings
5141.11	Vaccination and Testing

12. CONSENT AGENDA

Matters listed within the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Board of Education and/or its standing committees, for reading and study and will be enacted with one motion. The Personnel items on the consent agenda are recommended by the Superintendent. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the consent agenda by Board action.

Action Items:

Finance

Payment of Bills

12.1 Motion to approve the November 23, 2021 bills list as follows:

General Fund:	\$265,370.60
Special Revenue Fund:	\$ 17,811.99
Total	\$283,182.59

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Budget Transfers

12.2 Motion to approve the list of the October 2021 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$70.37.

Board Secretary/Treasurer Reports

12.3 Motion to approve and acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Board Secretary and after review of the **October, 2021** Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Reports, certify no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23 – 2.11(c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year and that no budgetary line-item account has been exceeded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1, and that no line-item account has encumbrances and expenditure, which in total exceed the line-item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A23-2.11(a).

2022-2023 Little Paws Preschool Tuition rates

12.4 Motion to establish the Little Paws Preschool 2022-2023 tuition rates as follows:

Full Time Program \$5,750.00 (\$575.00 per month)

(Application and Tuition information attached)

2021-2022 Speech Therapy Services - Revised

12.5 Motion to approve the attached revised Speech Therapy Services contract with Chris Cross Kids, LLC for the 2021-2022 school year at the revised rate of \$90.00 per hour instead of \$95.00 and \$400.00 for initial evaluations.

2021-2022 Social Thinking/Emotional Skills

12.6 Motion to approve the attached Social Thinking/Emotional Skills contract with Chris Cross Kids, LLC from September 1, 2021 through December 2021 and ongoing as needed at the rate of \$90.00 per hour for 10 hours per month to be funded from the Learning Acceleration Grant.

ARP/ESSER III Grant Application

12.7 Motion to accept American Rescue Plan/ESSER III and subgrant awards as follows and to approve the grant application for submission to the NJ Department of Education:

Grant/Subgrant	Award
ARP/ESSER III	\$126,407
Accelerated Learning Coaching and Educator Support Grant	\$ 50,000
Evidenced-Based Summer Learning and Enrichment Activities Grant	\$40,000

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Evidenced-Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day Activities Grant	\$40,000
NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant	\$45,000
Total	\$301,407

Facilities

Facility Use

12.8 Motion to approve the following use of School facilities:

Kingwood Township Basketball League Gym 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

January 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26 & 27

February 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, & 24

Transportation

Personnel

Travel/Staff Development

12.9 Motion to approve the following requests for employee/board member travel in accordance with the School District Accountability Act and Board of Education Policy. Only overnight stays are eligible for meal reimbursement. Mileage, meals and lodging reimbursements shall be in accordance with NJ Statute, Code and NJ Department of Treasury Guidelines. OMB Mileage Reimbursement Rate: \$0.35.

Employee/ BOE Member	Program Title/ Location	Date(s)	Cost	Mileage	Lodging (per diem)	Meals (per diem)
Holly Siock	Improving Emotional Well Being Students, West Orange, NJ	1-14-2022	\$279.99	0.00	N/A	N/A
Alicia Parker	Improving Emotional Well Being Students, West Orange, NJ	1-14-2022	\$279.99	\$40.81	N/A	N/A

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Employee Retirement

12.10 Motion to accept, with regret, a letter of retirement for Kathleen Petro effective June 30, 2022.

Post Master Course

12.11 Motion to approve the following Post Master Course:

Katelynn Yard	Rowan University	LDTTC 18505 January 2022	\$2,055.00
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Substitute Rates 2021-2022-Revision

12.12 Motion to revise the substitute rates for the 2021-2022 school year as follows:

Position	2021-2022 Rate
Substitute Teacher	\$105.00 Per Day
Substitute School Nurse	\$175.00 Per Day
Substitute Custodian	\$14.00 Per Hour
Substitute Secretary	\$95.00 Per Day

Night Custodians

12.13 Motion to approve a revision to the following night custodians:

Name	Days	Rate
Steven Weber	Monday – Thursday	\$17.00 Per Hour
Richard Kerr	Friday only	\$17.00 Per Hour

Curriculum

Extra-Curricular

12.14 Motion to authorize a home-schooled student whose name is on file with the district office, to participate in 2021-2022 Frenchtown Extra-Curricular such as School Dances.

Cooperative Sports Program

12.15 Motion to approve a Shared Services Agreement with Kingwood Township Board of Education for a Cooperative Sports Program for the winter season at a cost of \$250 per student participant.

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Field Trips

12.16 Motion to approve the following field trips:

Destination	Grade	Purpose	Date & Cost
Kingwood Twp School	8 th Grade	Review Del-Val Regional H.S. Programs	11-16-2021 \$0.00
Del-Val Regional H.S.	7 th & 8 th Grade	Guest Speaker	11-18-2021 \$0.00

Planning

13. NEW BUSINESS

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The Board President may terminate the remarks of any individual, when they do not adhere to the rules established above.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 (R.S. 10:4-13), permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or portion of a meeting of this public body in certain circumstances and

WHEREAS, the Board must consider (see check below), which is/are exempt from public discussion pursuant to the Act;

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- _____ 1. Matter which by express provision of law is rendered confidential
- _____ 2. Release of information which would impair receipt of federal funds
- _____ 3. Individual Privacy/ Student Matters
- _____ 4. Collective Bargaining/Negotiations
- _____ 5. Real estate matters
- _____ 6. Disclosure could impair public safety
- _____ 7. Pending/Anticipated Litigation
- _____ 8. Terms and conditions of employment
- _____ 9. Deliberations involving imposition of specific civil penalty.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session at _____p.m. to discuss the above-mentioned matters to the exclusion of all others. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening. Resulting action may or may not be taken following re-entry into regular session.

16. ADJOURNMENT