

Frenchtown Board of Education
Special Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2010 6:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER – OPENING STATEMENT

The special meeting of the Frenchtown Board of Education was called to order at 6:41 p.m. by President Nugent.

Ms. Schaffner, Business Administrator, read the following:
Adequate notice of this Special 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 and the Express Times. A copy of this notice has also been posted at the public school, at the municipal building and filed with the borough clerk.

II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All persons present participated in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Dr. Petivan
 Mrs. Buxton
 Mrs. DenBleyker (arrives at 6:44 p.m.)
 Ms. Herb
 Mrs. Huey
 Mrs. Nugent

Also Present: Mr. David Bailey, Principal
 Ms. Susan Schaffner, B.A./B.S.
 Members of the Public

Members Absent: Dr. Eckel

IV. BOARD GOALS

Mrs. Nugent reviewed the Board Self Evaluation. She said the Board should limit goals due to administration transition and uncertain financial climate.

Mrs. DenBleyker suggested concentrating on areas of weakness. The Board discussed ways to determine the weak areas, using data, and develop a goal to target those weaknesses. The Board also discussed using the PDIC committee as a tool, for improving instruction.

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The Board determined three major areas:

1. Managing budget and administrative change.
2. Maintenance of facilities.
3. Identify evaluating strengths and weaknesses in instruction.

Mr. Bailey said the staff is looking to perfect their craft this year.

Mrs. Nugent said the committees should meet and refine these goals. Mrs. Nugent and Mrs. Huey will also meet with Mr. Bailey to develop his goals.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (all school-related topics)

Mrs. Pearson asked for clarity on which individual covers which topic area. She said the community should be involved in the decision making and that communication should be enhanced by the Board, staff and administration.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. DenBleyker and seconded by Mrs. Buxton at 8:04 p.m. to move into executive session.

The motion was carried unanimously on a voice vote.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:50 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Dr. Petivan and Mrs. Buxton to adjourn at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Attest:

Susan Schaffner
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

Kate Nugent
Board President