

Frenchtown Board of Education

Regular Meeting Agenda

February 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.

The public may view and participate in public comment by visiting the following website: www.dvrhs.org/fesboemeeting

2. **THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **OATH OF OFFICE**

Administration of the Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Member – Aaron Lambert

4. **ROLL CALL**

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

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

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6. **2020/2021 BOARD and DISTRICT GOALS**

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Frenchtown District Goals (2020-2021)

1. Create a reopening plan and provide continued management of the Covid 19 crisis as it relates to the district.
2. Construct a plan to transition middle school into a send/receive model.

Board Goals (2020-2021)

1. Continue to pursue a middle school send/receive relationship with neighboring districts and select a partner district.
2. Provide support for needed equipment, communication, and community engagement during the extended Covid 19 crisis.

7. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

8. BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

Informational Items

- Board Meeting Schedule
 - ✓ March 16, 2021 - Work Session Meeting – Preliminary Budget Approval
 - ✓ March 23, 2021 – Action Meeting
 - ✓ April 27, 2021 – Action Meeting

Discussion Items

- 2021/2022 Budget Development
 - Health Benefit Cost Review

Actions Items

8.1 Motion to approve the following minutes:

- January 26, 2021 - Regular Session
- January 26, 2021 – Executive Session

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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Informational Items:

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

Month/Year	# of Incidents Reported	# Identified as HIB	Remediation	Discipline & Remediation	Appealed (Y/N)
Sept 1- Sept 22	0	-	-	-	-
Sept 23 – Oct 13	0	-	-	-	-
Oct 14– Nov 24	1	Y	Y	Y	N
Nov 25 – Dec 15	0	-	-	-	-
Dec 16 – Jan 26	0	-	-	-	-
Jan 27 – Feb 23	2	1	Y	Y	N
Feb 24 – Mar 23					
Mar 24 – April 27					
April 28 – May 11					
May 12 – June 29					
TOTAL	1				

- b. Short term suspension report: None

Student ID	Violation of Student Code of Conduct	Level of Infraction	Terms of Suspension and Dates	Clearance Required

- c. Security and Fire Drills

Drill	Date Completed
Security Drill	2-22-2021
Fire Drill	2-10-2021

Action Items:

HIB Report

- 9.1 Motion to affirm the HIB report submitted on January 26, 2021.

2021-2022 School Calendar

- 9.2 Motion to approve the attached 2021-2022 School Calendar.

10. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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11. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

12. POLICY

First Reading

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

4111.1/4211.1- R	Nondiscrimination Affirmative Action Breastfeeding Regulation
4111.1/4211.1	Nondiscrimination Affirmative Action
4111.2/4211.2	Domestic Violence
5113	Attendance Absences and Excuses
5134	Married Pregnant and Lactating Pupils
5134 – R	Married Pregnant and Lactating Pupils-Regulation
5141	Health
6140	Curriculum Adoption
6161.1	Evaluation and Selection of Instructional Materials
6171.2	Gifted and Talented

13. 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

13.1 Motion to approve the February 23, 2021 bill list as follows:

General Fund:	\$248,943.50
Special Revenue Fund:	\$ 14,725.60
Total	\$263,669.10

Budget Transfers

13.2 Motion to approve the list of January 2021 budget transfers in the amount of \$1,404.00.

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Board Secretary/Treasurer Report

- 13.3 Motion to approve and acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Board Secretary and after review of the **January, 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).

SEMI Waiver

- 13.4 Motion to approve the following resolution requesting a waiver of requirements for the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2021-2022; and

WHEREAS the Frenchtown Elementary School Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students 2021-2022 budget year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Frenchtown Elementary School Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Hunterdon an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2021-2022 school year.

Facilities

Transportation

Personnel

2020-2021 Substitute List

- 13.5 Motion to approve the following lists of substitutes for the 2020-2021 substitute list at a rate of \$95.00 per day (Teacher), \$175.00 per day (School Nurse), \$80.00 per day (Secretary) and \$14.00 per hour (Custodian).

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*James Battell - Teacher

*Pending Criminal History Background check

Curriculum

Planning

14. 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.

16. 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;

- 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. Contract / Negotiations

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- ____ 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.

17. ADJOURNMENT