

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
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**ADOPTION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET MEETING AGENDA
 March 7, 2023**

For the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Education
 Monday, March 7, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Franklin School Multipurpose Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

In accordance with requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notice has been given of tonight's meeting in the Hunterdon County Democrat and have been posted on the bulletin board by the main office of the Franklin Township School, sent to the Township Clerk and to all Board of Education members and posted on the school website on January 12, 2023.

IV. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Karen Sutton, Pres. _____	Mrs. Allison Luciano, V. Pres. _____	Mr. Ronald Falcon _____
Mrs. Shana Frondorf _____	Mr. James Giordano _____	Mrs. Carolyn Licwinko _____
Mrs. Erin Tomasini _____	Dr. Nicholas Diaz, CSA _____	Mrs. Lori Tirone _____

V. CORRESPONDENCE

VI. FINANCE AND FACILITIES- Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Falcon, Mr. Giordano
MOTION by _____, **seconded** by _____.

ADOPTION OF THE 2023-2024 Proposed Budget

BE IT RESOLVED that the Franklin Township Board of Education hereby adopts the following proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year and approves it for submission to the Hunterdon County Department of Education Executive County Superintendent for required review and approval. The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and is compliant with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A. The District has proposed programs and services in addition to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

REVENUE		APPROPRIATIONS	
Fund 10: Operating Budget		Fund 10: Operating Budget	
Local Tax Levy	\$ 6,907,133	Current Expense	\$ 8,603,446
W/D Capital Reserve	\$ 575,500	Capital Outlay*	575,500
W/D Maintenance Reserve	\$ 100,000		
E/O Aid (Est)	\$ 300,000		
State Aid	\$ 549,627		
Tuition and Miscellaneous	\$ 746,766		
Fund 20: Special Funds		Fund 20: Special Funds	
Grant Entitlements (Est)	\$ 94,000	ESEA/IDEA Grants	\$ 94,000
Fund 40: Debt Service		Fund 40: Debt Service	
Tax Levy	\$ 648,800	Repayment of Debt	\$ 648,800

TOTAL REVENUE: **\$ 9,921,826** **TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:** **\$ 9,921,826**

(*Capital Outlay includes the State Assessment for Debt Service on SDA Grant Funding and Lease Purchase Loan Principal.)

As per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3(a), the proposed budget provides for a maximum appropriation amount of \$30,000.00 that may be allotted for travel and expense reimbursement. The School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs ensuring the maximum amount is not exceeded.

The 2023-2024 budget includes the use of all automatic adjustments \$553,828.00 [enrollment adjustment](#). (i.e. enrollment and pre budget year tax levy), if applicable.

The 2023-2024 budget includes a withdrawal from the Capital Reserve in the amount of \$285,038.00. The use of these funds is for the lease purchase, video management server, cameras, boiler controls, truck, electric to pole barn, including architect and engineering fees. If all funds are not used by the end of the 2023-24 budget year, they must be returned to the Capital Reserve Fund by June 30, 2024.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Falcon				
Mrs. Frondorf				
Mr. Giordano				
Mrs. Licwinko				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mrs. Sutton				
Totals:				

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Privilege of the Floor (3 minutes) – Agenda Items Only

All comments should be directed to the board president. The Board will not respond to complaints from and to school personnel unless the chain of command has been followed, without satisfaction. Furthermore, the Board cannot respond to any complaints from the public directed at any district employee or student, as the Board must protect each employee and each student's right to privacy.

Those wishing to share comments during this portion of the meeting are asked to state their name and address. Public comment shall be concise and to the point and shall not contain abusive, defamatory, or obscene language. Each speaker will be given three minutes.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ for the Board to enter into Executive Session at _____ pm.

Voice Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act authorizes a public body to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which the Board of Education discusses topics falling within certain specified exceptions to the requirement for open public meetings; (N.J.S.A. 10:4-13) and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to discuss matters that fall within one or more of the statutory exceptions to open public meetings;

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12), that the Board adjourn from public session and enter into executive session at this time to discuss confidential matters pertaining to Personnel, including recommendations for appointments; termination of employment; terms and conditions of employment; evaluation of the performance of, promotion, or discipline of board employees or prospective employees; changes in salary; changes in assignment; and leaves of absence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in executive session should be made public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer exists, but it is not known at this time when that may be. The Board expects to reconvene into public session in approximately _____ hours/minutes. Action may be taken.

BE IT RESOLVED to return to Open Public Session at _____ pm.

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ for the Board to reconvene public session.

Voice Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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IX. BOARD MATTERS/NEW BUSINESS

- Potential final discussion on Class III Officer

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS- Privilege of the Floor (3 minutes)

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XI. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Shared Services Agreement - Class III Officer

Resolved, to approve a Shared Services Agreement between the Franklin Township Board of Education and Franklin Township for a Class III officer for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

B. Approve Student Observers

Resolved to approve the following field placement for Hunterdon County Polytech student observers:

Student	Teacher	Start Date	Time
Morgan Moschberger	Kristen Andreychak	March 9, 2023 - April 2023	12:00pm - 2:00pm Thursdays and Fridays
Tori Sebastiano	Kate Paquette		
Alex Fernandez	Lillian Bickhardt		
Emily Starkweather	Jordan Kipp		

C. Approve Special Education Tuition Contract

Resolved to approve a Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year between the Franklin Township Board of Education (sending) and the Montgomery Academy (receiving) in the County of Somerset for Student ID #3166993251 at \$477.40 per diem, effective March 7, 2023..

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Falcon				
Mrs. Frondorf				
Mr. Giordano				
Mrs. Licwinko				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mrs. Sutton				
Totals:				

XII. NOTEWORTHY DATES

Monday, March 20, 2023 next Board Meeting.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN by _____, seconded by _____.

Voice Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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