



**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
Board of Education**

REGULAR MEETING
September 19 , 2022 - 6:30 p.m.

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order

1.01 Pledge of Allegiance

1.02 Open Public Meeting Announcement

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 13, 2022.

1.03 Roll Call

K. Sutton, Pres.	_____	V. Evans, V. Pres.	_____	R. Falcon	_____
A. Gilpin	_____	J. Giordano	_____	A. Luciano	_____
E. Tomasini	_____	N. Diaz, Superintendent	_____	L. Tirone	_____

2. Presentations

3. Minutes

3.01 August 22, 2022 Regular Meeting **(attachment)**

Resolved, to approve the above listed minutes.

Motion	Second	By Voice Vote	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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4. Business Administrator Report – Lori Tirone

5. Superintendent’s Report - Nicholas Diaz

5.01 Security and Fire Drills – 2022-2023

Type of Drill	Date
Shelter-in-Place (security)	9/1/22
Fire Drill	9/16/22

6. 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.

7. Correspondence

8. **Subcommittee Discussion and Action Items**
All resolutions are upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

8.01 **Ad Hoc** (Board Goals, Supt Goals/Personnel)/**Strategic Plan** – Mr. Falcon, Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Tomasini

8.02 **Facilities and Finance** - Mrs. Evans, Mr. Giordano, Mrs. Sutton

Resolved, to approve items 8.02.1 - _____

8.02.1 Removal of Books/Textbooks

Resolved, to approve the removal of books/textbooks from classrooms as per the attached list to be disposed of.
(attachment)

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Evans				
Mr. Falcon				
Ms. Gilpin				
Mr. Giordano				
Mrs. Luciano				
Mrs. Tomasini				
Mrs. Sutton				
Totals:				

8.03 **Curriculum & Education** - Ms. Gilpin, Mrs. Luciano, Mrs. Tomasini

8.03.1 Discussion – Revised Calendar – 2022-2023

Resolved to approve the following revisions to the 2022-2023 school calendar:

- Moving the December 14 Teacher Inservice (1:00 dismissal) to December 15
- Moving the February 22 Teacher Inservice (1:00 dismissal) to February 23

(attachment)

8.03.2 Participants Resolution - School Regionalization Efficiency Program (SREP)

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) is dedicated to helping New Jersey school districts achieve educational excellence and district efficiencies: and

WHEREAS, the School Regionalization Efficiency Program (SREP) Grant supports public school districts and governing bodies across New Jersey who wish to study the feasibility of school district regionalization and consolidation; and

WHEREAS, school districts and governing bodies are invited to apply for funding to offset costs associated with conducting feasibility studies that support the creation of meaningful and implementable plans to form or expand regional school districts; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) is tasked with administering these grant funds through the School Regionalization Efficiency Program (SREP); and

WHEREAS, Bethlehem Township, Franklin Township, and Union Township have evaluated whether Bethlehem Township, Franklin Township and Union Township may be able to attain improved educational quality and efficiencies through consolidation or regionalization; and

WHEREAS, a formal study must be undertaken to accomplish this objective with regional implementation plan development; and

WHEREAS, the Union Township School District has agreed to be the lead entity in conducting this study and will submit the application for financial support for this study to DLGS on behalf of all participating school districts and/or governing bodies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Franklin Township Board of Education, that the Franklin Township Board of Education does hereby join with Union Township Board of Education in applying for a SCHOOL REGIONALIZATION EFFICIENCY PROGRAM (SREP) Grant to support undertaking the feasibility study for regionalization/consolidation.

8.04 **Policy** - Mrs. Evans, Ms. Gilpin, Mrs. Tomasini

8.05 **Negotiations** – Mr. Falcon, Mr. Giordano, Mrs. Sutton

9. **Consent Agenda**

The matters listed below have been referred to the Board for reading and studying and are to be considered routine. They will be enacted with one motion. If separate discussion is desired, an item may be removed by Board assent.

9.01 **Budget and Finance**

9.01.1 Secretary and Treasurer Report

Approve the Secretary and Treasurer Reports submitted for the months ending July 2022 and August 2022, which agree with each other and the bank.

(attachment)

9.01.2 Financial Reports Certification

Approve the following resolution:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(c)3, the Board Secretary certifies that no line account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(a) and; pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(c)4, we certify that as of July 2022 and August 2022 after review of the monthly reports (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate officials, to the best of our knowledge no major line account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the entire fiscal year.

9.01.3 Transfer of Funds

Approve the transfer of July 2022 and August 2022 uncommitted funds within the 2022-2023 school year budget as per the attached list.

(attachment)

9.01.4 Bill List

Approve the July 2022 bill list in the amount of \$258,069.88 and the August 2022 bills list in the amount of \$379,591.43.

(attachment)

9.02 **Education**

9.02.1 Resolved, to approve the Franklin Township Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan 2022-2023 for submission to the County Office for approval.

(attachment)

9.03 **Personnel**

9.03.1 Approve the following professional day requests:

Date	Employee	Name of Professional Development Program	Registration Cost	Mileage Exp.

the results of the discussion undertaken in closed session will be made public at the time official action is taken. The board expects to reconvene into public session in approximately _____ hours/minutes. Action may be taken.

Motion Second By Voice Vote

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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13.02 Resolved, to return to Open Public Session at _____pm.

Motion Second By Voice Vote

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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14. Other Business

14.01 Resolved to approve the submission of the following 2022-2023 Quantitative/Qualitative Merit Goals for Dr. Nicholas Diaz, Superintendent, to the County Superintendent for approval:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

14.02 Resolved to approve the submission of the following 2022-2023 Quantitative/Qualitative Merit Goals for Mrs. Lori Tirone, School Business Administrator, to the County Superintendent for approval:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

15. Adjournment

15.01 Resolved to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at _____.

Motion Second By Voice Vote

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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