

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
NEW JERSEY 08868
Board of Education
SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

August 27, 2009 - 7:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Open Public Meeting Announcement

"In accordance with requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notices have been given of tonight's meeting in area newspapers, which include the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Express-Times and 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 on August 24, 2009. Mr. Piparo opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

K. Weiss, V. Pres	P	A. Burdick	P	P. DiGiambattista	A
J. Foran	P	N. Reed	P	T. Schultz	P
L. Vail	*P	T. Wolak	P	C. Piparo, Pres.	P

*Ms. Vail was present via cell phone.

III. Flag Salute

IV. Motion to accept the language and approve the employment contract between the Franklin Township Board of Education and Dr. Christine Harttraft, Superintendent/Principal for the period September 4, 2009 - July 1, 2013.

Moved: Mr. Schultz

Second: Mr. Weiss

Mr. Piparo read an e-mail from Kerry Wright, Board Attorney, which indicated that Mr. Samuel B. Stewart, Executive County Superintendent reviewed the contract and gave his approval.

K. Weiss, V. Pres	Y	A. Burdick	Y	P. DiGiambattista	Absent
J. Foran	Y	N. Reed	Y	T. Schultz	Y
L. Vail	Y	T. Wolak	Y	C. Piparo, Pres.	Y

Mr. Foran left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Piparo indicated that Dr. Harttraft will be at school on Friday, September 4th as well as the following week.

Other Items Discussed:

Mrs. Reed requested that, in the future, any contracts and any BOE related materials be sent in advance of the meeting allowing board members time for review. She also requested that at the next board meeting of September 14th, under new business, the board review policy pertaining to electronic communications between board members. Also discuss how the board will communicate moving forward, ie: group e-mail, phone, regular mailing, etc.

Mr. Piparo indicated that he spoke with a representative at Porzio regarding e-mail and he was told that what he is doing is within the guidelines of the law.

Mr. Piparo read an e-mail from Dr. Dwyer regarding DCA approvals. All Disciplines were reviewed by the DCA and comments from all areas need to be addressed except from PS&S. Mrs. Reed asked that the actual comments from the DCA be distributed to all board members at the September 14th meeting.

Mrs. Wolak requested a review of the revised building project plans. She requested that Dave Tillou be present at the next meeting to discuss the changes. Also, with regard to policy #5141.1 (accidents) Mrs. Wolak requested language regarding defibrillators at all sporting functions and practices.

Mr. Piparo stated that he received a request from Rural Awareness regarding a flyer they want to distribute through the children's backpacks. The flyer will contain information about the Hiram Deats Award being presented to Mr. Foran. He stated that Policy # 1140 would need to be waived because this is a conflict of interest. Discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

V. Motion to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Moved Mrs. Burdick

Second Mrs. Wolak Motion Carried