

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL  
 NEW JERSEY 08868  
*Board of Education*  
MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATION MEETING  
*January 3, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.*

**A G E N D A**

- I. The meeting was called to Order at 6:30 p.m. by Dr. Carol Fredericks, Business Administrator, and the following Open Public Meeting Announcement was read:

*"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 April 27, 2012.*

II. **Roll Call**

Members:

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x(arrived 6:36)		

- III. Attendees present saluted the **Flag**.

IV. **Official Election Results**

**Elected Officials:**

Three-year seats:	Colleen Ewing	793 Votes
	Cyrus Cama	682 Votes
	Write-In	7 Votes
Unexpired Term	Frank Yasunas	753 Votes
	Write-In	8 Votes

Resolved, to officially accept the certified election results from the Clerk of the County of Hunterdon.

Motion: Burdick Second: Crielly. No Discussion or comments.

By voice vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

## V. Oath of Office to Newly Elected Members of the Board of Education:

Dr. Fredericks administered the oath to Colleen Ewing, Cyrus Cama, Frank Yasunas. They then took their places at the board table.

## VI. Nomination of Officers A. Nomination of President

**Resolved**, to nominate Robert Masino for President of the Board of Education.

Motion: Ewing                      Second: Crielly

Additional Nominees:

**Resolved**, to close nominations for President and call for a roll call vote.

Motion: Ewing                      Second: Crielly. No Discussion or comments were noted.

Call of the roll to elect President:

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x		

**Motion carried in favor, 8-0-0.**

At this time in the meeting, newly elected President Masino, took the gavel and his seat at the head of the board table.

## B. Nominations for Vice-President

**Resolved**, to nominate Colleen Ewing for Vice President.

Motion: Burdick                      Second: Crielly

**Resolved**, to close nominations for Vice President and call for a roll call vote. No Discussion or comments were noted.

Motion: Burdick                      Second: Crielly. No Discussion or comments were noted.

Call of the roll to elect Vice President:

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x		

**Motion carried in favor, 8-0-0.**

## VII. Approval of Annual Meeting Calendar

Jan 3, 2013\*  
Jan 14, 2013  
Feb 11, 2013  
Feb 25, 2013  
March 11, 2013  
March 25, 2013  
April 15, 2013  
April 29, 2013  
May 13, 2013  
June 10, 2013  
June 24, 2013  
July 15, 2013  
August 19, 2013  
September 9, 2013  
October 14, 2013  
November 18, 2013  
December 16, 2013  
January 6, 2014

Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. in the library of the Franklin Township School on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Meetings with an \* are held on an alternate day.

Resolved, to add to the agenda, selection and approval of delegates:

Motion: Foran Second: Burdick No comments or discussion were noted.

By voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Delegate to Convention: James Foran

Alternate Delegate: Christine Crielly

County SBA Delegate: Colleen Ewing

To approve calendar and delegates, Motion: Burdick Second: Crielly. No Discussion or comments were noted.

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x		

Motion carried in favor, 8-0-0.

## VIII. Code of Ethics

### A. Adopt Code of Ethics - 2001 Version

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopts the New Jersey School Boards Association Code of Ethics as read;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** each Board of Education Member will sign the documentation that he/she has received a copy of the code and it is understood.

Motion: Foran Second: Weiss No comments or discussion were noted.

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x		

**Motion carried in favor, 8-0-0.**

## **IX. Financial Resolutions**

### **A. Resolution Appointing Financial Adviser**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPOSAL FOR CERTAIN FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized financial advisory services in connection with the authorization and the issuance of Refunding School Bonds by The Board of Education of the Township of Franklin in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Board"), a body corporate of the State of New Jersey, including the review and compilation of financial and demographic information of the School District; obtaining the appropriate credit enhancements for the refunding bonds; structuring the various terms and conditions associated with the refunding bonds in order to maximize the interest savings; and general advice to the Board about the various financial aspects of the refinancing; and

WHEREAS, the Board obtained two proposals for such services and selected a proposal that had the most competitive price—i.e., Phoenix Advisors, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Bordentown City, New Jersey is recognized by the financial community to have the specialized financial advisory experience necessary to the refinance of the Board's bonds; and

WHEREAS, funds are or will be available for this purpose;

#### **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The firm of Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Bordentown City, New Jersey is hereby retained to provide specialized financial advisory services necessary in connection with the authorization and the issuance of refunding bonds by the Board in accordance with a Proposal submitted to the Board (the "Proposal") dated December 13, 2012.

2. The Proposal is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18-5(a)(2) because such services are considered extraordinary and unspecifiable in their nature.

3. A copy of this resolution as well as the Proposal shall be placed on file with the Secretary of the Board.

Motion: Crielly Second: Burdick

No Discussion or comments were noted.

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x		

**Motion carried in favor, 8-0-0.**

## **B. Resolution Appointing Bond Counsel**

### **APPOINTING BOND COUNSEL – Ronald Ianoale**

**WHEREAS**, there exists the need for the “Professional Services” of BOND COUNSEL, to be retained by the Board of Education to prepare necessary bond ordinances and related documentation for the re- issuance of bonds and related duties associated therewith as directed by the authorized representatives of the Franklin Township Board of Education, as more specifically set forth in the Professional Services Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A.40A:11-1, et seq. requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, Ronald Ianoale of the firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Ronald Ianoale of the firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, will not make any reportable contributions pursuant to N.J.S.A.19:44A-1 et seq. commencing January 1, 2013 to any political committee or candidate through the term of this contract in excess of reportable limits;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Township of Franklin, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the allegations of the preamble hereto are incorporated herein as if fully set forth.
2. That Ronald Ianoale of the firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, is a qualified bond counsel authorized to practice in the State of New Jersey, be appointed Board of Education Bond Counsel for Franklin Township for the year 2013 to perform professional services ordinarily provided by bond counsel, and he shall receive such compensation as may be reasonable for said services billed at \$195 per hour not to exceed \$20,000; and.

3. That the aforesaid contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because N.J.S.A.40A:11-5 states that no local unit shall be required to advertise for bids for services rendered or performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law, or to advertise for bids for services which are of such a qualitative nature as will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids, all of which classification the aforesaid contract falls within.
4. The Business Entity Disclosure Certification shall be placed on file with this Resolution.
5. All professional fees contained within the aforementioned contract will be included within the adopted 2013 budget to be certified by the Chief Financial Officer upon adoption of the 2013 budget.
6. That a copy of the specific items pertaining to the award of this contract shall be published in a Notice of Award in the News of Hunterdon County as required by law within ten (10) days of the Resolution authorizing same;

Motion: Crielly      Second: Ewing      No Discussion or comments were noted.

J. Foran	x	G. Burdick	x	C. Cama	x
C. Crielly	x	C. Ewing	x	R. Masino	x
K. Weiss	x	F. Yasunas	x		

**Motion carried in favor, 8-0-0.**

**X. Appointment of Hunterdon County Educational Service Commission (HCESC) Representative.**

**Resolved**, to appoint xxxxxxxxxx as the district's HCESC Representative.

Tabled until the February meeting.

**XI. Resolved, to Adjourn from the Public Meeting at 7:07 p.m.**

Moved : Crielly      Second: Burdick      By voice vote, all in favor, Motion Carried.

No public comment.

Respectfully submitted,

Certified

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 Carol A. Fredericks  
 Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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 Robert Masino  
 Board President