

**FRANKLIN LAKES BOARD OF EDUCATION
FRANKLIN LAKES, NEW JERSEY**

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 07, 2019

Franklin Avenue Middle School
755 Franklin Avenue, 7:10 PM
Multi-Purpose Room

1. **CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT**

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

3. **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, the Franklin Lakes Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on the School website; published in the Board's designated newspapers: *The Record* and *The Suburban News*; and mailed to all persons, if any, who have requested said notice.

Meetings of the Board are conducted for the purpose of carrying on the business of the schools and, therefore, are not public meetings, but meetings held in public. As a reminder, the Board of Education has a "BOE Suggestion Box" located on the District Website under "Board of Education." The Board welcomes your questions, input and suggestions.

4. **ROLL CALL**

Ms. Lisa Acquaire, Dr. Eileen Hansen, Ms. Vicki Holst, Mr. Peter Koulikourdis, Ms. Ann Kraemer, Ms. Amanda Krakowiak, Mr. Joseph Rosano, Ms. Kathie Schwartz, Ms. Jackie Veliky

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None

6. **MOTION TO APPROVE BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER'S REPORTS**

None

7. **APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BUDGET STATUS CERTIFICATION**

None

8. **PUBLIC WORK SESSION**

None

9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA ITEMS (30 MINUTES)**

Originally NO public in attendance at the scheduled public comment time.

Shortly thereafter a member of the public expressed their desire to address the board on agenda items.

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano | Seconded by Ms. Acquaire |
| To re-open the public comments. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Koulikourdis voted no. |

A parent spoke on behalf of Dr. Hansen.

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano | Seconded by Ms. Kraemer |
| To close the public comments. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. |

10. **RESOLUTIONS**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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RESOLUTION NO.

REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBER

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2 and Board Policy 9111 a qualified board member of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education shall have no interest directly or indirectly in any contract or claim against the Board;

WHEREAS, Eileen Hansen is a member of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education;

WHEREAS, Eileen Hansen filed a Petition for Due Process against the Franklin Lakes Board of Education and submitted a settlement proposal seeking financial reimbursement from the Board; and

WHEREAS, there exists a dispute over whether Eileen Hansen has a conflict of interest by virtue of her monetary interest in her Petition for Due Process against the Board of Education, which would disqualify her from being a member of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2; and;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Franklin Lakes Board of Education authorizes its attorney to file a petition for a declaratory ruling with the Commissioner of Education on the issue of whether there exists a conflict of interest which disqualifies Eileen Hansen from being a member of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education.

The Board discussed this resolution after it was seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Acquire, Holst, Koulikourdis, Kraemer, Krakowiak, Rosano, Schwartz, & Veliky

NAYS: Hansen

ABSTENTIONS:

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the within Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education by a majority vote at its duly authorized meeting on May 7, 2019.

MICHAEL J. SOLOKAS
Board Secretary/Business
Administrator

Motion by: Mr. Rosano

Seconded by: Ms. Kraemer

Passed: Failed

DATED: May 07, 2019

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RESOLUTION NO.

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETINGS

WHEREAS, all Board Members elected by the Borough of Franklin Lakes residents are expected to uphold the bylaws and policies of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:12-3 and Board Policy 9114 sets forth that a member who fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings of the Board without good cause may be removed by it; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Hansen is a member of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Hansen has missed more than three (3) consecutive Board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board held a special board meeting to provide Eileen Hansen an opportunity to show that her absences were for good cause; and

WHEREAS, the Board determined that Eileen Hansen's proffered reasons for her absence from more than three (3) consecutive board meetings was insufficient.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby removes Eileen Hansen from the Franklin Lakes Board of Education for missing more than three (3) consecutive meetings of the Board without good cause, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-3 and Board Policy 9114.

The Board discussed this resolution after it was seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Acquaire, Holst, Koulikourdis, Krakowiak, Rosano, Schwartz, & Veliky

NAYS: Hansen

ABSTENTIONS: Kraemer

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the within Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education by a majority vote at its duly authorized meeting on May 7, 2019.

MICHAEL J. SOLOKAS
Board Secretary/Business
Administrator

Motion by: Mr. Rosano

Seconded by: Ms. Veliky

Passed: Failed _____

DATED: May 07, 2019

11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY TOPIC OF CONCERN – 30 MINUTES**

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano | Seconded by Ms. Kraemer |
| To open the meeting to the public comment session on agenda items. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. |

Parent spoke about the special education department.

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano | Seconded by Ms. Kraemer |
| To close the meeting to the public comment session on agenda items. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. |

Dr. Hansen left the meeting before the Private Work Session.

12. **PRIVATE WORK SESSION TIME: 7:50pm**

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano | Seconded by Ms. Kraemer |
| To close the meeting and enter a Private Work Session for a negotiations update. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. |

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano at 8:40pm | Seconded by Ms. Kraemer |
| To close the Private Work Session and re-enter the public meeting. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. |

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

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| Motion by Mr. Rosano | Seconded by Ms. Kraemer |
| To adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. | On roll call. Motion carried unanimously. |

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Solokas
Business Administrator/Board
Secretary