

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION OF THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SCHOOL
CORPORATION
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022**

PRESENT: Zachary T. Smith, Doris L. Gowan, Dawn A. Downer, Kelly L. Foulk, Larry J. Walker, Bruce Hibbard, Jill Britt, Chase Huotari, Sharon Kight, Tyler Knight, Fred McWhorter, Jeff Murphy, Kent Pettet, Kaitlin Porter, Lynlie Schoene and Toni Stephenson

The Board of Education of the Franklin Township Community School Corporation, Marion County, Indiana, met in Regular Session at 6:00 P.M. at the Administration Offices, located at 6141 South Franklin Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46259, on Monday, January 10, 2022. All Board Members and news media had been duly notified and the agenda properly posted.

REGULAR MEETING

President Zachary Smith called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Smith made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Discussion Item 'D', Legislative Session Report. Mrs. Gowan seconded the motion and it carried 4-0. (Ms. Downer arrived after the vote.)

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD FOR 2022
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mrs. Gowan made a motion to nominate Mr. Zachary Smith for President and Ms. Dawn Downer for Vice President. Mr. Smith nominated Mrs. Doris Gowan for Secretary. There being no additional nominations, the motion passed 4-0. (Ms. Downer arrived after the vote.)

APPOINTMENTS

President Smith read the list of School Board Appointments for 2022. (Exhibit No. 22-01)

Legislative Liaison	Zachary T. Smith
Central Nine Rep.	Dawn A. Downer
Central Nine Alt.	Larry J. Walker
CIESC Advisory Council	Dr. Chase Huotari
Franklin Township Ed. Foundation Rep.	Zachary T. Smith
Designee to sign community supported residential/student contracts for IDOE	Dr. Bruce Hibbard
HSBT Administrative Rep.	Mr. Fred McWhorter II
HSBT FTEA President &/or Designee	Cathy Smith/Bryan Sawyers

APPROVE SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

President Smith asked for a motion to approve Church, Church, Hittle and Antrim as the School Board Attorneys. Mrs. Gowan made a motion to approve. Ms. Downer seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-01)

APPROVE TREASURER AND DEPUTY TREASURER

President Smith made a motion to approve Mr. Fred McWhorter II as Treasurer and Mrs. Kaitlin Porter as Deputy Treasurer. Mrs. Gowan seconded the motion and it carried 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-01)

APPROVE SCHOOL BOARD SALARY FOR 2022

President Smith asked for a motion to approve the School Board Salary for 2022 as listed below. Mr. Walker made a motion to approve. Mrs. Gowan seconded the motion and it carried 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-01)

Yearly Stipend	\$1,500
Regular Meetings	\$75
Special Meetings	\$60
Board Activities	\$60

APPROVE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2022

President Smith asked for a motion to approve the list of School Board Meeting dates for 2022 as presented. Mrs. Gowan motioned to approve the dates and Mr. Walker seconded. The motion carried 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-02)

ACCEPT/APPROVE UNIFORM CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

President Smith asked for a motion to approve the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements submitted by each of the Board Members. Ms. Downer motioned to approve and Mrs. Gowan seconded. The motion passed 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-03)

READ/APPROVE INDIANA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSN. CODE OF ETHICS

President Smith and Mrs. Gowan read the ISBA Code of Ethics that was included in the meeting documentation. He asked the Board Members to sign the attached statement acknowledging their understanding of the code and agreeing to abide by it. President Smith recommended approval of the signed statements. Ms. Downer made a motion to approve the statements. Mr. Walker seconded the motion and it carried 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-04)

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

President Smith opened the floor for comments from the community.

Ryan Donovan (President), Amanda Smith (Vice President) & Kim Lyon (Secretary) officers from the Franklin Township Education Foundation, presented Police Chief Ken Short with a \$10,000 check representing a grant from the Indianapolis Foundation. They stated that Mrs. Miller-Wilson, FTEF Director and Chief Short submitted the grant application on behalf of the FTCS Police Department and noted that the funds will support safety initiatives for after school activities. Mr. Donovan added that they recently received a huge donation from the Kids In Need Foundation of 40 skids of Lysol Wipes which is valued at \$140,000. He shared that with the help of many volunteers and Rick Hunter's Maintenance Group, they have distributed the wipes throughout the schools and township.

The Board Members and Administrators expressed their appreciation for the grant funds as well as for doing their part in contributing to keeping our students, staff and schools free from germs.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

President Smith asked for a motion to approve the following list of Consent Agenda Items. Mr. Walker made a motion to approve the items. Mrs. Gowan seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Board Meeting - December 20, 2021
- B. Fund and Expenditure Summary Reports (Exhibit No. 22-05)
- C. Year-End Appropriation Transfers 2021 (Exhibit No. 22-06)
- D. Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll Claims (Exhibit No. 22-07)
- E. Personnel Report (Exhibit No. 22-08)
- F. Donations (Exhibit No. 22-09)
- G. Fundraisers
- H. Surplus Equipment for Disposal (Exhibit No. 22-10)
- I. Resolution to Transfer Funds to Rainy Day Fund (Exhibit No. 22-11)

DISCUSSION ITEMS
CENTRAL NINE REPORT

Ms. Dawn Downer stated that the Central Nine Governing Board is scheduled to meet later in

January, but reported that they are changing their COVID protocols and requiring masks be worn by everyone due to the increased number of positive cases. She added that it has made it somewhat challenging, but everyone seems to be adjusting.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPORT

President Smith shared that the Thankful for You campaign was a huge success. He stated that they randomly drew 25 winners out of 130 nominees to receive \$100 each. President Smith thanked the Education Foundation Board Members for attending the meeting this evening and for continuing to give back to our students and staff.

POLICY REVISIONS – 1ST READING

Mr. Jeff Murphy referred the Board Members to their copies of the seven (7) School Board Policies that were included in their packets: Policy A300 – ‘Responsible Use of Technology and Internet Use Policy’, Policy B225 – ‘Board Meetings’, Policy C275 – ‘Test Security Provisions for Statewide Assessments’, Policy D300 – ‘Alcohol and Controlled Substance Policy for Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) and Safety Sensitive Positions’, Policy F125 – ‘Purchasing Procedures and Capital Assets’, Policy G150 – ‘Registered Sex or Violent Offenders’, and Policy H200 – ‘Relations with Special Interest Groups’. He gave an overview of the policies and asked if the Board Members had any questions. Mr. Murphy shared that Mr. Todd Livesay’s name was added to Policy D300 as the designee to answer questions regarding the policy. The Board Members asked if the title, ‘Transportation Director’, would be sufficient in case of future changes. Mr. Murphy replied that he would investigate the question prior to bringing it for approval at the next meeting. Mr. Fred McWhorter II stated that we have added the purchasing procedures to Policy F125 in the event that we get a complaint as it will be easier to have them outlined in the policy. There were no additional questions or comments. (Exhibit No. 22-12)

LEGISLATIVE SESSION REPORT

President Smith reported that this Legislative Session is referred to as a short session and must be finished by March 14, 2022, and shared that the bill filing deadline is Tuesday. He invited the Board Members to the 4th Annual ISBA State House Day which is February 15th. President Smith conveyed that he will be offering a report for the next few months and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVE THOMPSON CROSSING ROOF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Mr. Fred McWhorter II referred the Board Members to their copies of the agreement with Roof Management, Inc. that was included in their packets and recommended approval. He explained that the agreement is to develop and manage the Thompson Crossing Elementary Roof Project. Mr. Walker motioned to approve and Mrs. Gowan seconded. President Smith asked for clarification that this agreement is for the design and that the Board will be approving the cost of the project at a later date. Mr. McWhorter replied that he is correct, we will be bringing the details and cost of the project to the Board for approval once completed. There being no additional questions, President Smith called for the vote which carried 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-13)

APPROVE ARCHITECT CONTRACT/AGREEMENT FOR EDGEWOOD PROJECT

Mr. Fred McWhorter II recommended approval of the Architect Contract/Agreement with Gibraltar Design, Inc. for the Edgewood Intermediate Renovation Project that was included in the Board packet. Mr. Walker made a motion to approve and Mrs. Gowan seconded. Mr. McWhorter also shared a Preliminary Construction Planning Schedule that lists a timeline for all of the existing and pending construction projects. Mr. Walker asked if we get a discount from Gibraltar due to the numerous projects we are doing. Mr. McWhorter replied that the Edgewood Project is the only one for Gibraltar and it makes sense for them to do it since they designed the school when it was built. Ms. Downer thanked Mr. McWhorter for creating the planning schedule and stated that it will be beneficial for keeping track of the several projects we currently have scheduled. There being no additional questions or comments, President Smith called for

the vote. The motion to approve the Architect Contract/Agreement for the Edgewood Project passed 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-14)

APPROVE ARCHITECT CONTRACT/AGREEMENT FOR NEW ELEMENTARY PROJECT

Mr. Fred McWhorter II referred the Board Members to their copies of the Architect Contract/Agreement for the New Elementary that was included in the meeting documentation and recommended approval. He noted that the contract is with Schmidt Associates, Inc. and they are giving us a discount because we are using the plans for an existing school. Mrs. Gowan motioned to approve the contract. Mr. Walker seconded the motion and it carried 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-15)

APPROVE RESOLUTION TO PLACE REFERENDUM QUESTION ON BALLOT

Mr. Fred McWhorter II stated that we have advertised the notices of the project and hearings, held the necessary hearings, communicated our intent with school personnel and various community groups, and now we are asking for the Board’s approval of the resolution to place a referendum question on the May 3, 2022 ballot. He added that the income from the referendum would cover the cost of renovating Franklin Central High School as well as various maintenance items at our six existing elementary schools. Mrs. Gowan made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Walker seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. (Exhibit No. 22-16)

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Bruce Hibbard stated that we began another semester on January 4th and are trying to stay positive about keeping our staff and students healthy.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Doris Gowan shared that the Parent Information Night for the new Dual Language Program scheduled to begin next year in two of Thompson Crossing’s Kindergarten classes has been rescheduled for a later date due to the increase in COVID cases. She added that the updated information will be sent to our parents.

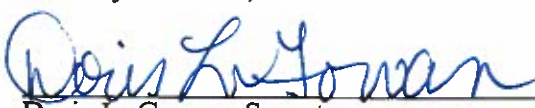
ADJOURNMENT

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

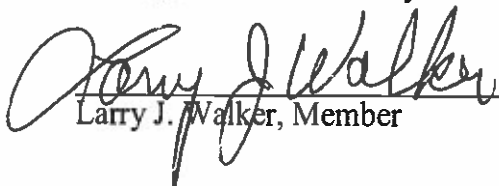
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Zachary T. Smith, President


Dawn A. Downer, Vice President


Doris L. Gowan, Secretary

Kelly L. Foulk, Member


Larry J. Walker, Member

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PRESENT: Zachary T. Smith, Dawn A. Downer, Doris L. Gowan, Kelly L. Foulk, Larry J. Walker, Bruce Hibbard, Jill Britt, Chase Huotari, Sharon Kight, Tyler Knight, Fred McWhorter, Jeff Murphy, Kent Pettet, Kaitlin Porter, Lynlie Schoene and Toni Stephenson

The Board of Education of the Franklin Township Community School Corporation, Marion County, Indiana, met for purposes of a Board of Finance Meeting at 6:00 P.M. at the Administration Offices, located at 6141 South Franklin Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46259, on Monday, January 10, 2022. All Board Members and news media had been duly notified and the agenda properly posted.

BOARD OF FINANCE MEETING

School Board President, Zachary Smith, called the Board of Finance Meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Smith recommended to keep the President and Secretary of the Board of Finance the same as are presently serving those positions on the Board of Education: President, Mr. Zachary Smith and Secretary, Mrs. Doris Gowan. Mr. Walker made a motion to approve and Ms. Downer seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

REVIEW OF INVESTMENT POLICY

Mr. Fred McWhorter II referred the Board Members to their copies of the Investment Income Policy (#F200) that was included in their packets. He stated that there have not been any changes made to the policy during the past year. There were no questions or comments. (Exhibit No. 22-17)

REVIEW OF INVESTMENT REPORT

Mr. Fred McWhorter II presented the 2021 Annual Investment Summary Report and the Investment Income History. He was excited to report that the Corporation has earned over \$1.2M in interest this year which is a record amount. He thanked the Board for approving Teachers' Credit Union as our primary banking institution as it has proven to be a very profitable choice. There were no questions. (Exhibit No. 22-18)

REVIEW OF DUAB FISCAL INDICATORS

Mr. Fred McWhorter II directed the Board to visit the Distressed Unit Appeal Board's (DUAB) website to get an overview of the financial status of any school corporation in the State of Indiana. He offered a summary of FTCS's financial status. There were no questions or comments. (Exhibit No. 22-19)

ADJOURNMENT

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

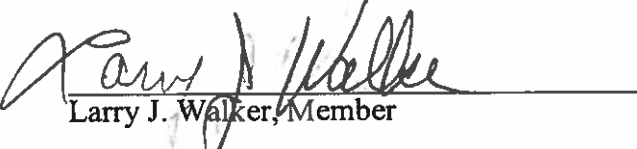
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