

Frazier School District

Board of School Directors

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Held On: Monday, December 5th, 2024

Board Room of the Administration Building

Present: Rick Adams, Doug Clingan, Jill Devine, Megan Hoff, Melissa Patitucci, Alicia Puskar, Michael Tretinik, Thomas Shetterly, Vicki Olexa
Others: Superintendent: Mr. Michael V. Turek
Business Manager: Rebecca Rodriguez
Technology Director: Scott Hazelbaker
Cafeteria/Transportation Coordinator: Suzanne Boni
Solicitor: Attorney Mike Mays
FEA Representative: Rachel Petyk

The Board of Directors met in executive session at 6:04 pm to 6:30 pm to discuss personnel and legal matters. The Regular monthly meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the December 5th, 2024 agenda, as presented.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Comments from the Public on Agenda: None

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the payment of bills due and payable and additional bills due and payable.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to adopt the Resolution stating the school district will not increase taxes above the 2025-2026 index of 5.5%.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Devine, second by Adams, to retain the law firm of Davis & Davis, Uniontown, PA for 2025, at a rate of \$600 per month and a yearly total for \$7,200. The hourly billing rate of \$115.00.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to accept the Tax Collector Resolution starting July 1, 2025, and thereafter until changed, setting the tax collection rate at \$600 per collected bill, which includes interim bills.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve a Frazier student athlete to compete as an independent swimmer/diver for the Ringgold School District. This arrangement permits the student to participate in a sport with the correct eligibility criteria that WPIAL requires with permission of both school districts. Also, requesting permission for Liz Sprows, Head Swimming/Diving Coach at Ringgold School District to coach our student during practices and competitions. [All clearances and credentials are in place.]

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the following policies, as presented:

-707.1 – Use of District Name, Color, Insignia or Logos

-718.1 – Therapy Dogs

-800 – Chain of Command

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the following field trips:

1. David Columbus, Bot Club/Class and Several Students
Stellar Precision, Jeannette, PA – Wednesday, January 15th, 2025
School Van used for transportation
One (1) Substitute - \$110.00
Total cost to the district - \$110.00

2. Ryan Gerney, Band Director and Several Frazier Band Students
FayWest Honors Band
Greater Latrobe High School – Friday, February 7th, 2025
Registration: \$225.00
School Van used for transportation
One (1) Substitute - \$110.00
Total cost to the district - \$335.00

3. Karen Babyak, Melissa Stairs, Beth Tantlinger (pending number of students)
High School Art Club – Carnegie Museum of Art
Wednesday, March 26, 2025
Number in Group – 35
Transportation paid for by Carnegie Museum
(3) Three Substitutes - \$330.00
Total cost to the district - \$330.00

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Devine, to take 5d and 5e as one:

5d – Approval to provide Servsafe training to the cafeteria staff at a total cost of \$1,400. [Training must be done every 5 years.]

5e – Approve the request submitted by Scott Hazelbaker, Director of Technology, to pursue the 2025 RUS-DLT ViewSonic Grant. This grant program provides opportunities to improve telemedicine and distance learning in rural areas. The primary goal will be to improve classroom technology throughout the district with enhanced audio and interactive video equipment to allow interactive distance learning, Virtual collaboration and/or telemedicine.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Devine, second by Tretinik, to approve the request to elect Nicholas D’Amico as the Director of Special Education at a salary of \$95,000, plus benefits in accordance with the Act 93 agreement. Effective date of hire is dependent on release date from previous employer.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik
Abstain - Olexa
(Summary: Eight yes. One abstain. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to elect the following co-curricular sponsors for the 2024-2025 school year:

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| 1. | Jason Erdely | Volunteer, Wrestling |
| 2. | Kevin Hiles | Volunteer, Softball |
| 3. | Josh Maruniak | Asst. Coach, Wrestling |
| 4. | Alexis Murphy | Volunteer, Track |
| 5. | Gabriella McGavitt | Volunteer, Track [pending clearances] |

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the request to elect Beth Ann Utz, as the School Nurse Assistant, at a salary of \$40,000 plus benefits, effective January 6th, 2025 through June 30th, 2026. Funding for the position to come from the 2024-2025 School Safety and Mental Health grant monies.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Tretinik, Olexa
No - Shetterly
(Summary: Eight yes. One no. Motion carried.)

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the election of Romanee Yandura as a professional staff member at Step 1 Bachelors (\$46,016.00) and benefits in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Effective date of hire will be Friday, December 6th, 2024.

[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

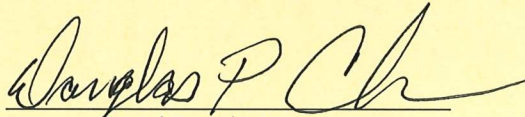
Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to approve the add Justin J. Schimmel as an approved bus/van driver for Nelson's Transportation.

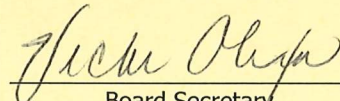
[Roll Call Vote]

Vote: Yes –Adams, Clingan, Devine, Hoff, Patitucci, Puskar, Shetterly, Tretinik, Olexa
(Summary: Nine yes. Motion carried.)

Comments from the Public: None

Motion by Olexa, second by Adams, to move for adjournment of the meeting at 7:05 p.m. No objections to the motion. All in attendance agreed, motion carried.


Board President


Board Secretary

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