

**Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education  
Annual Reorganization Meeting  
Minutes of January 3, 2024**

*Mr. Brennan, Board Secretary, called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.*

*Mr. Brennan read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement:*

**Open Public Meeting Statement**

*Please let the minutes show that the Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education has complied with the Open Public Meetings Act which requires that advance notice of this meeting be given and that the public has the right to attend such meeting. This advanced notice was published in the NJ Herald and the Express Times. Electronic notice and instructions to access the remote meeting has been advertised on the FTS website. All discussions and official actions of this meeting, unless specifically exempted, will take place in public.*

**Salute to the Flag**

*The Board pledged Allegiance to the Flag.*

**Opening Exercises:**

The Board Secretary temporarily chairs the meeting until the election of the new Board President.

**Official Election Results:**

**Frelinghuysen Board Elections:**

Kimberly Neuffer	Three year term
Doreen Pandiscia	Three year term
George Riedel	Three year term

**Swearing in of Board Members - Kimberly Neuffer, Doreen Pandiscia, and Mr. Riedel**  
*read the Oath of Office*

**Roll Call:**

Doreen Pandiscia, Janet DeFilippis, Lowell Forbes, Michael Galante, George Riedel, David Hocking, Eleni Peterson, Lori Anne Swistak & Kimberly Neuffer

Present: Mrs. DeFilippis, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Galante, Mr. Hocking, Mrs. Swistak, Mrs. Neuffer, Mr. Riedel, Mrs. Pandiscia

Also present: Jalyn Veras, CSA Gregory Brennan, Interim Board Secretary

**Acknowledge Receipt and Review of Code of Ethics** *Mr. Brennan stated that each BOE member received a copy of the Board Member Code of Ethics and a verbal affirmation was made by each BOE member that they had received and reviewed the Code of Ethics.*

**Election of the President:**

*Motion made by Mrs. Pandiscia, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to open nominations for President of the Board of Education.*

*Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.*

*Motion made by Mrs. DeFilippis, seconded by Mrs. Swistak, to nominate Mrs. Kimberly Neuffer for President. There were no other nominations.*

*Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Swistak, to close the nominations for President of the Board of Education.*

*Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.*

*Motion to elect Mrs. Neuffer as the Board President, was approved by a unanimous roll call vote. Mrs. Neuffer chaired the remainder of the meeting.*

**The Board President chairs the meeting.**

**Election of the Vice President**

*Motion made by Mrs. Pandiscia, seconded by Mr. Hocking, to open nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education.*

*Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.*

*Motion made by Mrs. Pandiscia, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to nominate Mrs. Lori Swistak for Vice President.*

*There were no other nominations.*

*Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Hocking, to close the nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education.*

*Motion to elect Mrs. Swistak as the Board Vice President, was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.*

## **Committee Appointments**

**Motion made by Mrs. Swistak, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to approve the appointments to:**

Warren County School Boards Representative - *Mrs. Swistak*  
Warren County School Boards Alternate 1 - *Mr. Riedel*  
Warren County School Boards Alternate 2 - *Mrs. Pandiscia*  
New Jersey School Boards Representative - *Mr. Riedel*  
New Jersey School Boards Alternate - *Mrs. DeFilippis*

## **Set Official Meeting Time & Dates:**

*Motion to approve the 2024 Board of Education meeting time and dates made by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mrs. Swistak.*

**Hearing & Petitions of Citizens - NONE**

## **Adjournment**

*Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Hocking to adjourn.  
The time was 6:17 PM.*

*Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.*

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Gregory Brennan**  
**Interim Board Secretary**