Franklin School Committee Minutes

April 29, 2014

Municipal Building – Council Chambers

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Call to order: 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Mullen

Mrs. Mullen read the Districts Vision Statement. The Vision Statement reads the Franklin Public Schools will foster within its students the knowledge and skills to find and achieve satisfaction in life as productive global citizens.

Pledge of Allegiance:

A 5th grader from the Jefferson School recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Mrs. Douglas, Mr. O'Malley, Mrs. Rohrbach, Mr. Clement, Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Jewell and FHS representative Thomas Downing were present. Also present were Superintendent Maureen Sabolinski, Assistant Superintendent Sally Winslow, Miriam Goodman, School Business Administrator, and other invited guests. FHS representative Maegan Schmauder was not in attendance.

Moment of Silence:

A moment of silence was observed.

1. Routine Business

• Citizens Comments: None

• Review of Agenda: No additional items.

• Minutes:

I recommend approval of the minutes from the April 8, 2014 School Committee

Meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approve: 7

• Payment of Bills: Mr. Clement

Motion: Mr. Clement Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approve: 7

• Payroll:

Mrs. Douglas reviewed the payroll, found it to be in order and recommended acceptance.

- FHS Student Representative: Thomas updated the Committee on spring sports. AP testing begins next week and the Junior Prom will be held on May 9th. The performance of Oskey will be held on May 7th and 8th beginning at 7 p.m. He also noted that the top 10% of the senior class will be honored on May 20th, DECA recently returned from a competition held in Atlanta and students attended a workshop on the dangers of sexting.
- Correspondence: There was no correspondence to discuss at this evening's meeting.

2. Guests/Presentations:

- a. Jefferson Update: Mrs. Ashley and Mrs. Auld as well as three 5th graders discussed with the Committee the happenings at Jefferson. Mrs. Ashley noted that grade level teams have common planning time which allows them to look at student data. She also discussed the recent Night of the Arts in which a mural was unveiled painted by artist Bren Bataclan. Mrs. Auld discussed Jump Rope for Heart noting that students raised over \$11,000 for the American Heart Association. Lastly, the students discussed with the Committee the 5th grade Math, Literature Circles and Science programs.
- b. FHS Update: Mr. Light and Ms. Squires discussed with the Committee the PISA Assessment that was giving to randomly selected students in 2012, the transition process into the new school, the technology training plan as well as enrollment and staffing needs for next year. The PISA (Program for International Student Assessment) was given to students aged 15 all around the world. Mr. Light noted that the findings show that our students are better prepared or as well prepared as students in every other country in the world. Mr. Light outlined the transition plan into the new school – explaining key dates. June 25th is the last day the current high school will be open for business. The new school will be turned over to the Town on July 25th. Student orientation will begin on August 15th and the first day of school will be September 3rd. During student orientation, students will be given a tour of the building, be assigned lockers, given their student ID and their chrome book. A Faculty Transition Committee has also been set up to provide resources for staff and answer any questions they may have. technology support club will be set up in the library of the new school to help students and faculty with the building's new technology. Also, faculty will partake in professional development over the summer to become familiar with the new technology. Lastly, Mr. Light noted that he expects 1,730 students to begin school on the first day. That is an increase of over 100 students. Based on this increased enrollment, he has additional staffing needs which were discussed with the Committee. Mrs. Sabolinski noted that on September 20th and 21st, the Community will be invited to partake in an official opening of the new school. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony as well as tours of the building.

c. Alumni Survey: Mrs. Sabolinski and Mr. Light discussed with the Committee the survey results of the recent survey that was sent out to the class of 2008 and the class of 2011. They noted that they hoped for a better response, but had a good representative sample of students participate. The results of the survey provided them with lots of good data noting that students felt well prepared for college.

3. Action Items:

1. I recommend approval of transfers as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

2. I recommend acceptance of the donation of a Casio Celviano AP-45 Digital Piano (valued at approximately \$250) from Doug and Laura Newton for the FPS Music Program.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

3. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$282.66 from Wells Fargo for inhouse enrichment at FHS.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

4. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$6 from Hannaford Supermarkets for in-house enrichment at ECDC.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

5. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$258.31 from Follett Educational Services for supplemental curriculum materials for Jefferson Elementary School.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

6. I recommend approval of the recurring field trip request of Nancy Schoen to take music students to Canobie Lake Park in Salem, NH on June 13, 2014 as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

7. I recommend approval of the request of Beth Wittcoff to take students to see a Pawtucket Red Sox game in RI on June 10, 2014 as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

8. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$1,300 from the Keller PCC for inhouse enrichment at Keller Elementary.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

9. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$836.50 from the Davis Thayer PCC for field trips.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

10. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$2,000 from the ASMS PCC for Supplies for ASMS.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

4. Information Matters:

- Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Sabolinski noted that the Commissioner of Education visited two schools recently as well as the new high school. He was impressed with the quality of education at our schools. A high school student recently started a new club at the school, the Youth Community Involvement Club, which supports community service in Franklin. They will present to the Committee at a future meeting. A community wide Blood Drive to support a student at Oak Street will be held on June 6th from 9 a.m. 3 p.m. at Franklin's United Methodist Church. Lastly, she noted that the high school band, chorus and orchestra performed in Walt Disney World over vacation and performed wonderfully.
- School Committee Sub-Committee Reports: No new information discussed at this time.
- School Committee Liaison Reports: Mrs. Mullen noted that a meeting was held at Davis Thayer to discuss the feasibility study. She also noted that the building will stay open and the modulars will be removed.
- **5.** New Business: No new information discussed at this time.
- **6. Adjourn:** 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker

List of documents: SCAgenda 4-29-14.pdf April 8, 2014 SCMinutes-DRAFT.pdf Payroll Warrant #1420 earnings.pdf Payroll Warrant #1420.pdf Franklin Public Schools summary & sign off.pdf

SCWarrant041014.pdf SCWarrant041714.pdf

140304 Franklin Alumni Survey Supplemental Report 2.pdf

ActionA.pdf

ActionB.pdf

ActionC.pdf

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