

# **Franklin School Committee**

## **Minutes**

November 27, 2012

### **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. Donahue, Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Rohrbach, Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Jewell and FHS representative Connor Morrissette were present. Also present were Superintendent Maureen Sabolinski, Assistant Superintendent Sally Winslow, Miriam Goodman, School Business Administrator, and other invited guests. FHS representative Nicole Higgins was not in attendance.

Moment of Silence:

A moment of silence was observed.

#### **1. Routine Business**

- Citizens Comments: None
- Review of Agenda: It was noted that a change needs to be made to one of the dates in Action Item number 11. The date should read May 24 instead of April 24.
- Minutes:  
I recommend approval of the minutes from the October 23, 2012 School Committee Meeting.  
Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan  
Approve: 7

I recommend approval of the minutes from the November 7, 2012 School Committee Meeting.  
Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan  
Approve: 7

- Payment of Bills: Mrs. McIntyre  
 Motion: Mrs. McIntyre Second: Mrs. Rohrbach  
 Approve: 7
- Payroll:  
 Mrs. Douglas reviewed the payroll, found it to be in order and recommended acceptance.
- FHS Student Representative: Connor noted that Spirit Week was a great success. Students participated in a powder puff football game as well as a student/faculty dodge ball tournament. Seniors have begun the process of applying to colleges. They are making use of Naviance to assist them with this process.
- Correspondence: Budget to Actual – this was not discussed at this evening’s meeting.

**2. Guests/Presentations:**

- a. Franklin Girls Soccer Team – State Champions: Coach Geyson, as well as several members from the team, were on hand to receive a plaque from the Committee. The girls won the Division I State Championship. It was also noted that Coach Geyson was recognized as Division I Coach of the Year by the Boston Globe.
- b. MCAS Presentation – Joyce Edwards discussed with the Committee how MCAS results are now calculated. AYP has been replaced by PPI (Progress & Performance Index). It was noted that we continue to outperform students across the state. Going forward, we will continue to analyze data and to align the curriculum to common core standards in ELA and Math. By 2015, the MCAS test will be replaced with PARCC. All students in grades 3-11 will take the test and all testing will be done electronically. This presentation can be found on the Districts website.

**3. Discussion Only Items:**

- Calendar Adjustment 2012-2013: The DESE says teachers need 11 hours of training for the new evaluation system which goes into effect July 1, 2013. Mrs. Sabolinski suggests adding two ½ days to the school calendar in April and May to train the elementary teachers and two ½ days in May to train the secondary teachers. Mrs. Mullen noted that this is a good solution to give teachers the time to deal with this new evaluation system. This item is slated for approval as an Action Item.
- Capital Plan: Mrs. Sabolinski and Mr. D’Angelo discussed with the Committee the Technology Department and Facilities Department Capital Improvement Plan requests. These requests will be presented to the Town Councils Budget Sub-





17. I recommend approval of the request of Beth Ackley for the HMMS Ski Club's recurring field trip to Mt. Sunapee in Newbury, NH on January 26, 2013 as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

## **5. Information Matters:**

- Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Sabolinski noted that the revenue raised from the banner ads in the Field House is over \$5,500. This money is used to defer athletic fees for those unable to pay them. Warner Brothers has donated 50 tickets to HMMS for the premier of *Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey*. She noted that students can enter a lottery to win tickets. Mrs. Winslow facilitated the second Wellness Meeting. She noted that it was a very productive meeting. Their first task will be to update the Wellness Policy making it compliant with Federal and State regulations. They will also create a Wellness Advisory Committee. Their next meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2013. Mrs. Sabolinski also noted that Ms. McVay will attend a meeting to give the Committee a presentation on Naviance and how it works. She also wanted to mention the Blood Drive that the Remington/Jefferson School will host this Saturday in collaboration with Dana Farber.
- School Committee Sub-Committee Reports: Mrs. Rohrbach noted that the Budget Sub-Committee met with the Joint Budget Sub-Committee and discussed the status of the FY13 budget as well as discussed initial planning of the FY14 budget.
- School Committee Liaison Reports: Mrs. Rohrbach noted that the Joint PCC has met and decided to establish a new format. They will meet twice a year instead of four times a year. The first meeting was well attended. The next meeting will be held in January. At this meeting they will discuss the issue of donations. It was also noted that a meeting will be held tomorrow night at 7 p.m. at the High School to discuss the All Night Party. Lastly, Mrs. Mullen noted that the High School is beginning its accreditation process.

**6. New Business:** There was no new business to discuss at this evening's meeting.

**7. Executive Session:** Contractual Negotiations

**8. Adjourn:** 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker

List of documents

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