

# Franklin School Committee Minutes

September 11, 2012

## Municipal Building – Council Chambers

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:

Three 5<sup>th</sup> graders from the Parmenter School recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Mrs. Douglas, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Rohrbach, Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Jewell and FHS representatives Nicole Higgins and Connor Morrisette were present. Also present were Superintendent Maureen Sabolinski, Assistant Superintendent Sally Winslow, Miriam Goodman, School Business Administrator, and other invited guests.

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 August 21, 2012 School Committee Meeting.  
Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach  
Approve: 7  
Second: Mrs. Trahan
- Payment of Bills:  
Motion: Mrs. McIntyre  
Approve: 7  
Mrs. McIntyre  
Second: Mrs. Rohrbach
- Payroll:  
Mrs. Douglas reviewed the payroll, found it to be in order and recommended acceptance.
- FHS Student Representatives: The Committee welcomed Nicole Higgins and Connor Morrisette – this year’s FHS Student Representatives. Nicole is the

Senior Class President and Connor is President of the Student Government. Connor updated the Committee on the first day of school. He noted that some students encountered scheduling issues; however, they were resolved quickly. He also discussed *itslearning.com* – which Mrs. Sabolinski noted is an online learning platform. He noted that a number of students are using this platform, further commenting on how it is a great way to share ideas, allows for participation in discussion boards and even noted that elections for student government will be held via this platform. Nicole updated the Committee on fall sports – which are off to a good start.

- Correspondence: Budget to Actual – Mrs. Goodman noted that there were no transfers this month. In October, she will put forth transfers.

## **2. Guests/Presentations:**

- a. District Improvement Plan: Mrs. Sabolinski, Mrs. Winslow and Mrs. Edwards discussed with the Committee the District Improvement Plan. Mrs. Sabolinski noted that the District Improvement Plan is the guide for our instructional plan. The plan this year will be a one year plan because of the continual implementation of national and local initiatives. This allows for the flexibility needed to revamp and retool as needed. Mrs. Edwards will update the Committee on the progress of the District Improvement Plan in February.
- b. Lifelong Learning Summer Update: Pandora Carlucci updated the Committee on the Lifelong Learning Institute. She discussed the many different initiatives and the continued success of the summer programs. She also talked about the new initiatives we can look forward to this fall. Mrs. Mullen noted how amazing it has been to see how this has grown over the years.

## **3. Discussion Only Items:**

- Policy – First Readings:
  1. BL – Remote Participation Policy: Mrs. Trahan briefly discussed the history behind this policy.

A motion was made to move Policy BL – Remote Participation Policy to a second read.

Motion: Mrs. Trahan

Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

- Policy – Second Readings: Elimination of Policies: Mrs. Trahan noted that there have been no changes to these policies since the first reading. The elimination of these policies are slated for approval under Action Items.
  2. JICA – Student Dress Code
  3. JICDA – Academic Honesty Policy
  4. JICF – Gang Activity/Secret Societies

5. JIH – Interrogations and Searches
  6. JKAA – Non-Violent Physical Crisis Intervention
  7. JKAA-R – Non-Violent Physical Crisis Intervention Administrative Procedures/Crisis Team Procedures
  8. JKF-E – Memorandum of Understanding
  9. JKF-R – Matters Involving Violence, Weapons, Hate Crimes and Drug Distribution
  10. JLF-E – Child Abuse/Neglect
  11. JLF-R – Statement of Child Abuse and Neglect
- New/Revised Policies (Second Read): There have been no changes to these policies since the first read. They are slated for approval as an action item.
    1. JLF – Child Abuse/Neglect
    2. JKAA – Non-Violent Physical Crisis Intervention

#### 4. Action Items:

1. I recommend elimination of the following policies as discussed.
  - JICA – Student Dress Code
  - JICDA – Academic Honesty Policy
  - JICF – Gang Activity/Secret Societies
  - JIH – Interrogations and Searches
  - JKAA – Non-Violent Physical Crisis Intervention
  - JKAA-R – Non-Violent Physical Crisis Intervention Administration Procedures/Crisis Team Procedures
  - JKF-E – Memorandum of Understanding
  - JKF-R – Matters Involving Violence, Weapons, Hate Crimes and Drug Distribution
  - JLF-E – Child Abuse/Neglect
  - JLF-R – Statement of Child Abuse and Neglect

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

Mrs. Sabolinski wanted to remind the audience that the Committee adopted Policy JAB which states that Handbooks are Policy. She noted that these eliminated policies are discussed in the Handbooks.

2. I recommend adoption of Policy JFL - Child Abuse/Neglect as discussed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

3. I recommend adoption of Policy JKAA – Non-Violent Physical Crisis Intervention.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

4. I recommend acceptance of the donation of an OKI Color Printer valued at \$150 to the FPS.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

5. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$750 from the Hockomock YMCA from the Amanda Hartford Grant for Davis Thayer.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

6. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$1,125 from O'Charley's Inc. for in-house enrichment at FHS.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach

Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

### **5. Information Matters:**

- Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Sabolinski noted a quiet and successful opening of school. She has been in to observe classrooms and noted the incredible instruction found in our classes. The modulars at the Parmenter School have not been removed as planned; however, they are slated for removal by Friday. She also noted that she has met with administrators and has started the Capital Planning process. She would like to hold tours at each of the school building and asked the Committee members to volunteer their time with the tours. She would also like them to help with the Harvest Festival on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Winslow noted an upcoming parent training on bullying that will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Horace Mann Middle School. Mrs. Goodman discussed transportation. She noted there are three issues that they are dealing with: request for stop changes, buses with high ridership and several students on the wait list. She noted that they have received many calls regarding these issues and are working hard to resolve them.
- School Committee Sub-Committee Reports: No new information discussed at this time.
- School Committee Liaison Reports: No new information discussed at this time.

**6. New Business:** Mrs. Trahan noted that the annual Casino Night will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Elks.

**7. Adjourn:** 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker

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