Franklin School Committee Minutes

June 12, 2012

Municipal Building – Council Chambers

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

Mrs. Mullen read the Districts Vision and Mission Statements. 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. The Mission Statement reads the Franklin Public Schools, in collaboration with the community, will cultivate each student's intellectual, social, emotional and physical potential through rigorous academic inquiry and informed problem solving skills within a safe, nurturing and respectful environment.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Two 7th graders from the Annie Sullivan Middle School recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Mrs. Douglas, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Rohrbach, Mrs. Mullen, and Mrs. Trahan were present. Also present were Superintendent Maureen Sabolinski, Assistant Superintendent Sally Winslow, Miriam Goodman, School Business Administrator, and other invited guests. Mrs. McIntyre and Mr. Jewell were not in attendance. The FHS student representatives are on summer recess.

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 May 22, 2012 School Committee Meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approve: 3 Abstain: 2 Absent: 2

Payment of Bills: Mrs. McIntyre
Mrs. McIntyre was not in attendance at this evening's meeting.

• Payroll:

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

- FHS Student Representatives: The student representatives are on summer recess.
- Correspondence: Budget to Actual Mrs. Goodman noted that the fiscal year closes at the end of June. Next meeting, she will request the Committee to approve budget transfers to balance deficit accounts.

2. Guests/Presentations:

- a. FPS Retirees: Mrs. Sabolinski, Mrs. Winslow and Mrs. Mullen presented the retirees in the audience with two books *The New Yorker Book of Teacher Cartoons* and *Last Day Blues*. Mrs. Sabolinski acknowledged their commitment to and influence on the students of Franklin and thanked them for their years of service.
- b. Annie Sullivan Middle School Update: Mr. Williams, a 7th and 8th grade Social Studies teacher, along with a few of his students, presented to the Committee an update on the blogging that they use in class. The students see it as a way to express themselves and look forward to this means of homework. They noted that they are able to read other students blogs, find them interesting to read and learn from them.
- c. FHS Update: Mr. Light introduced to the Committee next year's high school student representatives. They are Nicole Higgins and Connor Morrissette. Nicole is the senior class president and Connor is the president of student government. He also introduced to the Committee Ryan Casey. Ryan will be a senior next year and he has been elected Chair of the State Student Advisory Council to the Board of Education. He also announced to the Committee that Mr. Schmidt will become assistant principal for the high school. He is currently chair of the social studies program at the high school. Lastly, he updated the Committee on the successes and challenges of the high school this year. Some of the successes include 96% of this year's graduating class pursued secondary education. commented that the schools seniors were accepted into were most impressive. He talked of the successes of both senior project and the self directed learning program as well as the implementation of the new mentor program for new teachers. A negative discussed is the less than necessary amount of faculty. It was specifically noted that there are only two assistant principals - each responsible for overseeing 825 students. Mrs. Sabolinski further noted that 95% of the special education students at the high school are in the inclusion program which allows them increased access to high quality instructional program – but behavioral issues can prove challenging – especially with less staff. She wanted to thank faculty and leadership for their hard work.

3. Discussion Only Items:

Addition of member district to Accept Educational Collaborative: Mrs.
Sabolinski noted that two Districts would like to join the Collaborative. It is

necessary for all School Committees within the Collaborative to vote their approval to make this happen. She noted that this is on as an Action Item.

• Food Service: Mrs. Goodman noted that as a result of the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act, we are non compliant with the cost of school lunches. As a result, we are raising the price of the elementary lunches by \$0.10 per lunch and the middle and high school lunches by \$0.05 per lunch. It was noted that we are not required to raise the price of school lunches by more than \$0.10 per year.

4. Action Items:

1. I recommend admission of the Needham Public Schools and the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District to the Accept Educational Collaborative as discussed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

2. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$100 from the Evergreen Center for in-house enrichment at the Franklin High School.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

3. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$125 from the FJ Kennedy PCC for field trips as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

4. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$400 from the JF Kennedy PCC for field trips as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

5. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$2,500 from the Family of Fernando P. Baglioni for a FHS scholarship.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

6. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$1,000 from the Franklin Country Club for a FHS scholarship.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

7. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$250 from Kathleen & Maura Schaeffer for a FHS scholarship.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

8. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$500 from the Hockomock Y for inhouse enrichment as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

9. I recommend an increase in the school lunch prices as follows: elementary increase - \$0.10 per lunch; middle/high school increase - \$0.05 per lunch as discussed.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

10. I recommend acceptance of the donation of a snare drum and xylophone valued at approximately \$300 from Dean Winslow for the FPS music program.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

11. I recommend approval of the request of Mr. Sidwell for the girl's track team to travel to Saco, Maine on Saturday 6/9/12 for the All-State Meet.

Motion: Mrs. Rohrbach Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 5 Absent: 2

5. Information Matters:

- Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Sabolinski wanted to thank the Committee for attending Awards Night and Graduation. She also noted what a lovely ceremony it was and congratulated the Class of 2012. She also wanted to recognize the DPW who worked hard to get things ready and Pandora Carlucci for her work in reuniting the class of 1962. She noted that the DESE has requested data on the allocation of special education program space with regards to the new high school. She further commented that we are on target to break ground on the project in September or October. Lastly, she wanted to thank the Town Council for appropriating \$25,000 for an architectural study to make renovations to Davis Thayer specifically making the building handicap accessible. Mrs. Winslow commented on the Annual Bullying Training which was not well attended. They plan on having the training again in the fall hoping that more parents will attend in the beginning of the school year.
- 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. Mullen would like to discuss and review the policy about calling into a meeting.

7. Executive Session:

• Contractual Negotiations

8. Adjourn: 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker

List of documents:

SCAgenda 6-12-12.pdf

Budget2Actual.pdf

May 22, 2012 SCMinutes-DRAFT.pdf

Payroll Warrant #1224 earnings.pdf

Payroll Warrant #1224 summary.pdf

Payroll Warrant #1225 earnings.pdf

Payroll Warrant #1225 summary.pdf

Franklin Public Schools sumary & sign off.pdf

SC Warrant 053112.pdf

SCWarrant051712.pdf

SCWarrant052412.pdf

Retirees.pdf

ActionA.pdf

ActionB.pdf

ActionC.pdf

ActionD.pdf

ActionE.pdf

ActionF.pdf

ActionG.pdf

ActionH.pdf

ActionI.pdf

ActionJ.pdf

ActionK.pdf

Enrollmentcompare-May 2012-2012.pdf