Welcome

Franklin School Committee Minutes

December 14, 2010

Municipal Building – Council Chambers

Call to order: 7:00 p.m. Mr. Roy

Mr. Roy 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 8th graders from the Horace Mann Middle School recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Mrs. Douglas, Mr. Cafasso, Mrs. Rohrbach, Mrs. Mullen, Mr. Roy, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Glynn and FHS representatives Jay Borelli and Heather Grove 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: A discussion on both the FY12 Budget Forum and Innovative Learning Models will be added to the Discussion Only Items.

• Minutes:

I recommend approval of the minutes from the November 16, 2010 School Committee Meeting and the August 31, 2010 special meeting as well as the following Executive Session minutes:

o August 24, 2010

o September 14, 2010

o September 28, 2010

o October 12, 2010

o October 26, 2010 o November 9, 2010 o November 16, 2010 Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Rohrbach Approve: 7

 Payment of Bills: Mr. Glynn Motion: Mr. Glynn Second: Mrs. Mullen Approve: 7

• Payroll:

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

• FHS Student Representatives: Jay noted that a Scheduling Committee has been formed at the high school to solicit student feedback on the pros and cons of the current scheduling structure. He also noted that the theatre program is putting on three one-act plays. Heather noted that fall sports have concluded and winter sports have begun. She also noted that two students were selected by the Boston Globe as All-Scholastic athletes and the soccer coach was chosen as Coach of the Year.

• Correspondence: Mr. Roy acknowledged the Budget to Actual and the correspondence received in regards to the Anti-Bullying Plan.

2. Guests/Presentations:

a. Mass Academic Excellence Awards: Mr. Roy and Mrs. Sabolinski presented two students with the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents Academic Excellence Award. This award is awarded to the top two students in each District.

b. Signing of Cafeteria Contract July 2010 – June 2013: Mr. Roy noted a successful resolution with the cafeteria contract negotiations. The contract was signed and will be in effect until June 2013.

## 3. Discussion Only Items:

• Policy GBEBA/JIA Staff Research Policy – Second Reading: Mrs. Mullen stated that there were no changes made to this Policy since the first reading. This policy is slated to be approved this evening as an Action Item.

• Anti-Bullying Plan: No changes have been made to this plan in light of comments received from the public. The plan is slated for approval as an Action Item this evening. Mr. Roy noted that the Policy Sub-Committee will draft a Policy from this plan by June 30, 2011.

• Child Nutrition Bill Task Force: Mr. Roy noted that a task force needs to be formed in light of newly enacted legislation that has made changes to the food

service program. Mr. Glynn, Mrs. Trahan and Mr. Roy volunteered to serve on this task force. Mrs. Sabolinski noted that they may want to review the wellness policy as well.

• FY12 Budget Forum: Mrs. Rohrbach stated that the Budget Sub-Committee discussed the benefits of holding a forum to discuss in greater detail the budget and budget process. This forum is slated for January 29, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. At this forum, the Committee would like to discuss a budget that shows the difference between where we would like to be and where we actually are.

• Innovative Learning Models: Mr. Glynn would like to look into forming a study group to investigate more innovative learning models such as integrating college level courses at the high school as well as introducing online courses. Mrs. Sabolinski is going to assist Mr. Glynn with this process.

4. Action Items:

1. I recommend adoption of Policy GBEBA/JIA Staff Research Policy as discussed.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

2. I recommend adoption of the Anti-bullying Plan as discussed. Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

3. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$1,800 from the Franklin Music Boosters for in-house enrichment at the Franklin High School. Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

 4. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$2,500 from Big Lots for in-house enrichment at Parmenter Elementary School.
 Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan
 Approval: 7

5. I recommend approval of the trip for the FHS Cheerleaders to Indianapolis, IN for a competition on January 14-17, 2011 as detailed. Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

6. I recommend approval of the trip for the FHS Boy's Ice Hockey team to North Smithfield, RI for a competition on December 28-29, 2010 as detailed.
Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan
Approval: 7

7. I recommend approval of the trip for the FHS Lacrosse team to Guilford, CT

for a competition on April 2-3, 2011 as detailed. Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

8. I recommend approval of the trip for the FHS Boy's Wrestling Team to West Babylon, NY for a competition on January 21-23, 2011 as detailed.
Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

9. I recommend approval of the trip for the Boy's Wrestling Team to Pleasant Valley, PA for a competition on January 14-16, 2011 as detailed. Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

10. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$294 from the Wells Fargo Foundation for FHS enrichment.Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. TrahanApproval: 7

11. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$35.51 from Olympia Sports for inhouse enrichment for the Franklin High School. Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

12. I recommend acceptance of two checks for \$10 each (total: \$20) from Barbara Peatie for RMS in-house enrichment.Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. TrahanApproval: 7

13. I recommend approval of the FHS trip to New York City to see Wicked on March 12, 2011 as detailed.Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan Approval: 7

5. Information Matters:

• Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Sabolinski noted a new 'mommy and me' program from Lifelong Learning called Exploring Together. This program begins January 4, 2011. With regards to the high school renovation project, Dr. Frank Locker will compile a report from the Futures Team workshop for submittal to the architects.

• School Committee Sub-Committee Reports: Mrs. Trahan noted that the Space Needs Sub-Committee met earlier in the evening and will present a report to the Committee at a future meeting. Mr. Cafasso noted that the Community Relations Sub-Committee will meet on January 4, 2011 to discuss the Districts website with Tim Rapoza as well as discuss ways to get out into the community to discuss the High School renovation project. • School Committee Liaison Reports: No new information discussed at this time.

6. New Business:

• No new information discussed at this time.

7. Executive Session:

Contractual Negotiations

8. Adjourn: 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker