Welcome

Franklin School Committee Minutes

March 23, 2010

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:

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

Attendance: Mrs. Douglas, Mr. Cafasso, Mrs. Rohrbach, Mrs. Mullen, Mr. Roy, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Glynn and FHS representatives Zach Price and Christie Gianetti were present. Also present were Superintendent Maureen Sabolinski, Assistant Superintendent Sally Winslow, Miriam Goodman, Director of Finance, 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 Executive and Open Session minutes from the March 9, 2010 School Committee Meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

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: Zach mentioned that spring sports are now underway. He also mentioned seniors are finalizing college decisions and the 3rd term is half-way through. Christie noted that sophomores have taken the English portion of the MCAS and that the National Honor Society is fundraising for the Spring Fling.
- Correspondence: There was no correspondence to discuss at this evening's meeting.

2. Guests/Presentations:

- a. Awards, Recognitions:
- 1. Retirement Francis Mazzola, Van Driver: Mr. Roy presented Mr. Mazzola with a plaque honoring his twelve years of service.
- 2. Matt Palazini FHS Basketball 1,000 points: Matt was acknowledged for scoring 1,000 points for the FHS basketball team.
- 3. Kimberly Takahata MIAA National Women in Sports Day essay contest winner: Kimberly was acknowledged for winning the essay contest. Her winning essay was about her experience with field hockey why she loves it and why she plays.
- 4. FHS Wrestling Team Division 1 Champs Dan Telhada & Eric Des Lauriers: Both Dan and Eric were acknowledged as being the two best wrestlers in the State.
- b. Rock Band Presentation Annie Sullivan Middle School:
- 1. 8th Grade: Tom Downing, Chris Rich, Drew Simon, Joe Tobin, 7th Grade: Sophie Barrow, Kate Franklin, Kaytee Vetrano: These students spoke to the Committee about their efforts to raise funds for the victims of the Haiti earthquake. They raised over \$2,000 by holding a concert at their school.
- 3. Discussion Only Items:
- Budget to Actual: Mrs. Rohrbach said that there were no questions forwarded to her regarding the Budget to Actual.
- DECA Trip: Mrs. Sabolinski mentioned that four members of DECA will go on to the nationals in Louisville, KY. This trip is slated for approval as an action item.
- School Committee Packets: Mr. Roy noted that since January 2009, the school committee has received their packets online, which saves paper and labor. Mr. Glynn noted that he is not receiving the packets in the same format as the others. This will be rectified.
- E-mail Accounts: Mr. Glynn noted that the group e-mail accounts don't work as he thought they would. He made some suggested changes. Mrs. Sabolinski noted that she will speak with Mr. Rapoza who may be able to change the way it is set up.

4. Action Items:

1. I recommend approval of the FHS Program of Study.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Rohrbach

Approval: 7

2. I recommend acceptance of the donation of \$750.00 from the JF Kennedy PCC for a field trip to Boston on May 7, 2010.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

3. I recommend acceptance of the donation of \$2,000.00 from the Davis Thayer PCC for Library books.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

4. I recommend approval of the request of FHS for the Girls Lacrosse Team's trip to Guilford, CT on April 2-3, 2010 for a competition.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

5. I recommend acceptance of the donation of \$5,000.00 from the Oak Street PCC for field trips as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

6. I recommend approval of the RMS recurring field trip to the IMAX Theatre in Providence, RI on April 15, 2010 as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

7. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$64.00 from Heart of Stone for the Franklin High School.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

8. I recommend acceptance of a check for \$29.16 from Shaws for the Horace Mann Middle School.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

9. I recommend approval to declare the attached list of books surplus for the Jefferson Elementary School.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

10. I recommend approval of the FHS DECA trip to Louisville, KY for national competition as detailed.

Motion: Mrs. Mullen Second: Mrs. Trahan

Approval: 7

5. Information Matters:

- Superintendent's Report:
- a. Dean College Partnership: Mrs. Sabolinski noted the wonderful partnership that has formed with Dean College. Each month they meet to discuss academic partnerships for our students.
- b. MSBA: Mrs. Sabolinski noted that the MSBA is requesting additional data on building permits.
- c. FHS Open House: Mrs. Sabolinski stated that this went very well. She has also received positive feedback from parents.
- Mrs. Sabolinski noted that next year's long composition portion of the MCAS is scheduled for a $\frac{1}{2}$ day of school. She suggests moving the $\frac{1}{2}$ professional development day to April 5th to give students a full day to complete the test. She also noted that this will be an action item for the next meeting.
- School Committee Sub-Committee Reports: Mrs. Rohrbach said that at the last Budget Sub-Committee Meeting, they discussed the capital process at length. She also noted that the House & Senate Ways & Means Committee announced that Chapter 70 funding will be less that what they received this year.
- School Committee Liaison Reports: No new information discussed at this time.

New Business:

- Mrs. Trahan wanted to remind everyone that the FEF Trivia Bee will be held on April 29, 2010.
- Mrs. Sabolinski stated that Bye, Bye Birdie will be held in the High School Lecture Hall this Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening. She also noted that Lifelong Learning will offer the FHS Experience August 9-13. Lifelong Learning will also be piloting a summer program for 3 & 4 year olds. If it is successful, it may roll into a playgroup throughout the school year. She also mentioned that the class of 1960 is planning their 50th reunion.
- 7. Executive Session:
- Contractual Negotiations
- Grievance
- 8. Adjourn: 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker