

## **Millbury School Committee Meeting**

**Date:** December 22, 2010

**Present:** Mrs. Vigneau, Chairperson, Mr. Corey, Vice Chairperson, Mr. Plante, Mr. Clawson, Mrs. Nietupski, Ms. Simanski, Principal Shaw School, Ms. Frederick, Principal Elmwood Street School, Mr. Fleming, Principal High School and Mrs. Hitchcock, Superintendent

**Location:** Millbury High School Media Center

**Time:** 7:00 pm

Mrs. Vigneau brought the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

### **Approval of Regular Session Minutes**

Mrs. Vigneau asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2010 meeting. Mr. Clawson made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Corey seconded the motion. All approved (5-0). In addition, Mrs. Vigneau asked for a motion to approved the Executive Minutes (previously held) from the November 18, 2010 School Committee Executive Session. Mr. Clawson made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Corey seconded the motion. All approved (5-0).

### **Approval of Executive Session Minutes**

Mrs. Vigneau asked for a motion to approve the Executive Session minutes from the November 18, 2010 meeting. Mr. Clawson made a motion and Mr. Corey seconded the motion. All approved (5-0).

### **Report of the Administration**

#### **Student Council Report**

The students reported on the annual winter concerts and sports taking place at the high school. They also reported on the different clubs and the donations they have collected and distributed for the holiday season.

#### **Bullying Prevention Policy**

Mrs. Hitchcock stated that there has been one addition, required by DESE, since the last reading. It is added on page 10 under section 5 #3, specifying the types of consequences. If it is determined that one student bullied another student there will be safety for the target and the others involved in the incident. Consequences will be age appropriate. Mrs. Vigneau asked for a motion to approve the second reading of the Bullying Prevention Plan. Mr. Clawson made a motion to accept the second reading and Mr. Plante seconded

the motion. All approved (5-0). The third reading will take place after the DESE reviews the plan.

### **Budget**

#### R.E. Shaw ADA Doors

Mrs. Hitchcock stated that a few years back the School Department was cited because the internal hallway doors at the R.E. Shaw Elementary School were not ADA compliant and that we must begin preparation for a warrant article to get the doors in compliance. Mr. Bedard stated that the doors would be equipped with magnets that will release the doors in case of fire. He also stated that the cost would be approximately \$135,000, which includes an upgrade to the fire panel. Mrs. Vigneau asked for a motion to approve a warrant article to bring the doors at the Shaw School up to code. Mr. Corey made a motion to approve the warrant article and Mr. Clawson seconded the motion. All approved (5-0).

#### AfterCare Rate Increase

Mr. Bedard recommended to the School Committee to increase by \$5 the fees for the After School Program. Elmwood Street School would go from \$36/wk. to \$41/wk. and R.E. Shaw would go from \$41/wk. to \$46/wk. It was stated that this had come up last year and it was never discussed again. The difference in pricing for the two schools is because of the longer after school time at Shaw and the smaller enrollment. Mrs. Vigneau stated that she would like After School Program fees to be placed on the agenda every December. The increased fees would go into effect in September 2011. Mrs. Vigneau asked for a motion to approve an increase to the After School Program fees. Mr. Clawson made a motion to increase the fees and Mr. Corey seconded the motion. All approved (5-0).

### **Old Business**

Mrs. Hitchcock stated that she would write a letter to the Carpenter's School thanking them for the work they did on the sound booth at the high school.

Mrs. Vigneau stated that the Finance Committee Chairman asked if the School Committee was still using the same timeline they had previously proposed before the Town Meeting was changed.

### **New Business**

Mrs. Hitchcock stated that the Elmwood Street School principal will be posting notices for Kindergarten Registration. It will take place Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> between 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and again at 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Mrs. Hitchcock stated that she was proud of the many holiday contributions collected to help many families in Millbury. Mrs. H'Leureux at the high school organized a collection of two truck loads of presents which were distributed to 250 families in Millbury. Mrs. Sue Bernard's Girl Scout troop collected food for baskets. The Shaw School staff members donated many gifts for four Shaw families this was orchestrated by Mrs. Gabriel the school nurse. Mr. Burke orchestrated the generous gifts donated by the Elmwood Street School staff.

Mrs. Vigneau stated that in accordance with Chapter 30 A, Section 21 (a) (3) of the MA General Laws, the Millbury School Committee will vote to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. She also stated that they would return to the open meeting only to adjourn.

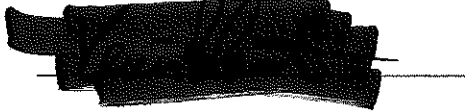
Mr. Plante – yes, Mr. Corey – yes, Mrs. Vigneau – yes, Mr. Clawson – yes, Mrs. Nietupski – yes.

Respectfully submitted  
Donna Lane  
School Committee Clerk

Approved:







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