

Kingston School Committee Meeting

Monday, January 11th, 2010

Kingston Intermediate School

Mr. Mamakos called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Christopher Mamakos, Mr. Joseph Chaves, Mrs. Stacey Elmes, Mr. Scott Milbert

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Eric Crone

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Tuffy, Superintendent; Joy Blackwood, Assistant Superintendent; Lisa McMahon, Kingston Intermediate School Principal, Paula Bartosiak, Kingston Elementary School Principal.

ABSENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

OTHERS PRESENT (signed in)

Marilyn Watson, Linda Duggan, Christine Ward, Jackie Thomson

VISITORS ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE

No Report

APPROVAL of MINUTES

MOTION

On a motion by Mrs. Elmes, seconded by Mr. Milbert, it was **VOTED** to accept the minutes of December 14th, 2009 with the following typo corrections (corrections in italics) – Vote 4-0-0

Page 2, under Principal's Report - *the* Kingston Police Department *was* a big part

Page 2, under Assistant Superintendent of Schools – commented, "*Duly* noted."

Page 2, under Superintendent of Schools – *ses* it as no risk....

TEACHER'S CORNER

No Report

PTO REPORT

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Mamakos handed out, to all the members in attendance, (Mr. Crone did not receive one because he was not there) copies of a letter from Attorney Fernand Dupere regarding *Open Meeting Law*. Mr. Mamakos read the letter to all in attendance. Mr. Chaves suggested sharing this information with the other School Committees, discussion ensued.

ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Bartosiak reported for KES:

- Enrollment (525) and calendar of events were reviewed
- Book Fair news shared

Dr. McMahon reported for KIS:

- Enrollment (657) and calendar of events were reviewed
- Sue Best (retired cafeteria worker) along with some of her VFW members presented KIS with a new flag donated from the VFW Post # 1822. A brief ceremony was held on Jan. 14th to accept and raise the flag.

MOTION

On a motion by Mr. Milbert, seconded by Mrs. Elmes the committee accepts the gift of the American Flag for KIS from VFW Post #1822 with thanks. All in favor 4-0-0.

- Wind Turbine has been relocated to KIS. Currently waiting on proper authorities to review placement and building inspectors input.

MOTION

On a motion by Mrs. Elmes, seconded by Mr. Milbert the committee authorizes the superintendent to move forward with the *Wind Turbine* endeavor being relocated to KIS from KES with updates to the committee as they become available. All in favor 4-0-0.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Mrs. Blackwood reports:

- Upcoming Professional Development Day with Marcia Tate reviewed
- Would like to make the committee aware that the Coordinated Program Review boxes have been delivered. Currently working on the Title One audit.
- Gerry Buckley requested to share information with the students and community regarding a program that will help fund reading programs through the public library. Mrs. Buckley requested this information go home with students the first week of March.

MOTION

On a motion by Mr. Mamakos, seconded by Mrs. Elmes the committee will allow the information regarding fund raising for the public library to be sent home with students in March 2010. All in favor 4-0-0.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Mr. Tuffy reports:

- Monthly Financial Statement reviewed, staying the same other than in Maintenance of Grounds which is over extended due to excessive snow removal
- Reviewed organizational chart which reflects changes made at the last meeting
- Memo from town administrator explaining procedures used to get to decisions they do
- Town asking for a 3% budget decrease
- February 23rd, Open Forum for public discussion on the budget, 7pm KIS auditorium
- March 8th, School Committee meeting for preparing budget to be proposed
- One more meeting will be scheduled before finalizing the budget to be presented to the town

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION REVIEW –Superintendent evaluation due by Friday

BYLAW – no report

PILGRIM AREA COLLABORATIVE – met last week, updating bylaws and policies

UNION 31 – meeting February 11th Silver Lake Library 7 pm

NEGOTIATIONS – no report

BUDGET ADVISORY– no report

FACILITY OVERSIGHT – no report

POLICY – no report

SAFETY – no report

TECHNOLOGY – no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Chaves wanted to share the information that the State Ethics Commission noted that he is in compliance regarding the committees he serves on.

NEW BUSINESS

no report

APPROVAL of the BILL SCHEDULE

The warrants were presented for payments and signed.

L027	Regular Tutoring	\$ 305.25
L028	Regular	\$240,009.83
V029	Vocational	\$ 643.57
E030	Encumbrance	\$65.00
L031	Regular	\$18,900.36
	Total	\$259,924.01

DATES TO REMEMBER

Next School Committee meeting set for February 8th, 2010.

MOTION

On a Motion by Mrs. Elmes, seconded by Mr. Chaves to adjourn regular meeting without holding an executive session. All in favor 4-0-0. Meeting adjourned 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Wendy Fox
Recording Secretary
Kingston School Committee