

Kingston School Committee Meeting

Monday, February 11, 2008

Kingston Intermediate School Library

Chair Chris Mamakos called meeting to order at 7:00pm

PRESENT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Christopher Mamakos, Mr. Joseph Chaves, Mrs. Stacey Elmes, and Mr. Eric Crone.

ABSENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

Mrs. Sheila Vaughn

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Tuffy, Business Manager /Superintendent; Joy Blackwood, Assistant Superintendent; Paula Bartosiak, Elementary School Principal; Robert Hodge, Intermediate School Principal.

ABSENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

None

OTHERS PRESENT (signed in)

Brianne Leary, Judy Mason, Nancy Veaudry, Caitlin Howard, MaryPat Dodge, Erin Smith, Vikki Johnson, Allison Donovan, (all Kingston teachers). Kathe Rafferty, (KIS parent).

VISITORS ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL of MINUTES

On a **MOTION** by Mr. Crone seconded by Mr. Mamakos, it was unanimously **VOTED** to accept the minutes of January 14th, 2008 with the amended line that Mrs. Elmes also attended the technology meeting. In favor 3 – 0 – 1. Mr. Chaves abstained

TEACHER'S CORNER

Mrs. Allison Donovan reported all are doing fine.

PTO REPORT

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter to discuss later

ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Bartosiak reported for KES, the following:

- Enrollment numbers
- Upcoming events
- Election Day
- Presented check donated from Kingston Cares to the Elementary School.

MOTION: Mr. Chaves motioned to accept the donation check from Kingston Cares to the Kingston Elementary School, Mrs. Elmes seconded. All in favor 4-0-0

Mr. Hodge reported for KIS, the following:

- Enrollment numbers
- Upcoming events
- Happenings around school

BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Tuffy reported the following:

- Surplus in utilities will balance out deficit in custodial accounts
- Out of district placement has stabilized

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mrs. Blackwood reported the following:

- Full Day Kindergarten grant received – a requirement of the grant is to hold monthly meetings. Literacy consultant hired for Kindergarten professional development.
- Still working on the Data Warehouse grant, as it's more involved than originally anticipated. (in a positive way). Erik Todd is the KIS rep.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Tuffy reported:

- Budget Time- no staff reduction
 - 2 new kindergarten teachers
- Budget in-line with what town was asking for
- Budget draft left for committee review call with any questions

Public Budget meeting February 25th, 7 pm at KIS.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION REVIEW – February 13, 7pm

BYLAW – no report

PILGRIM AREA COLLABORATIVE – met last week vote needed to include Whitman/Hanson as part of the Pilgrim Area Collaborative.

MOTION: Mr. Chaves motioned to accept Whitman/Hanson as part of the Pilgrim Area Collaborative. Mr. Crone seconded motion. All in favor 4-0-0.

UNION 31 – February 12th 7 pm High School

NEGOTIATIONS – next meetings with KTA, February 26th and March 18th tentative

BUDGET ADVISORY – no report

FACILITY OVERSIGHT – no report

POLICY – progress being made. February 29th hopefully will finish up

Safety – no report

Technology- report next month

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL of the BILL SCHEDULE

The following warrants were presented for payments and signed.

Other Matters

DATES TO REMEMBER

Public Budget meeting February 25th, 7 pm at KIS

Next School Committee meeting for March 10th, 2008

MOTION

On a motion by Mr. Chaves, seconded by Mrs. Elmes, it was

VOTED to adjourn regular meeting at 7:45 p.m. and go into executive session to discuss negotiations and not to return to regular session. Roll Call vote: Mamakos – yes, Chaves – yes, Elmes – yes, Crone- yes.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Wendy Fox
Recording Secretary
Kingston School Committee