

Kingston School Committee Meeting

Monday, October 14th, 2008

Kingston Intermediate School Library

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

PRESENT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

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

OTHERS PRESENT (signed in)

VISITORS ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE

The Felix family, 10 Newcomb Mill Road introduced themselves to the committee. They voiced their unhappiness with the school committee with cutting 4th grade band and ELP. Discussion ensued.

APPROVAL of MINUTES

Minutes not available

TEACHER'S CORNER

Mrs. Donovan spoke on the opening of school, Ms. Dodge on activities.

PTO REPORT

Mrs. Kelley spoke on upcoming events and fundraisers.

CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Bartosiak reported for KES:

- Upcoming events and enrollment were reviewed

Mr. Hodge reported for KIS:

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ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS - Mrs. Blackwood reports:

- Introduced that Kay Scheidler is the new Pre K- 6 Curriculum Supervisor.
- Substitute nurses now get the same as sub teachers, \$75.00 a day.
- New Report Card starting in grades K-3
- MCAS discussion ensued including the plan to improve the scores
- New technology person being sought to further tech programs.
- School Improvement Plan needs to be reworked.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Mr. Tuffy reports:

- Financial Statement was reviewed.
- Discussion ensued regarding what is wanted for next years budget prep.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION REVIEW – No Report

BYLAW – No Report

PILGRIM AREA COLLABORATIVE – Starting active search for new director

UNION 31 – no report

NEGOTIATIONS – meeting scheduled for Thursday

BUDGET ADVISORY– no report

FACILITY OVERSIGHT – no report

POLICY – copy mailed – next meeting is Oct. 24th

SAFETY – no report

TECHNOLOGY - No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL of the BILL SCHEDULE

The warrants were presented for payments and signed.

Other Matters

N/A

DATES TO REMEMBER

Next meeting is November 10th, 2008

MOTION

On a motion by Mr. Mamakos, seconded by Mrs. Vaughn, it was

VOTED to adjourn regular meeting and go into executive session to discuss negotiations and litigation and not to return to regular session.

Roll Call vote: Mamakos – yes, Chaves – yes, Vaughn – yes.

W. Fox was not at meeting so minutes were done with basic information taken from notes given to W. Fox from Mr. Hodge and Mrs. Bartosiak.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Wendy Fox
Recording Secretary
Kingston School Committee