

Kingston School Committee Meeting

Monday, October 19th, 2009

Kingston Intermediate School

Mr. Mamakos called meeting to order at 7:06 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.

OTHERS PRESENT (signed in)

VISITORS ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE

Mr. Mamakos recognized Board of Selectman Chairperson, Mrs. McFarland as being in attendance.

Nic Weirman (Eagle Scout Troop 49) wants to create a memorial in memory of Laura Guidoboni at the *Guidoboni Fields* (KIS soccer fields). Memorial would be rock with 7 inch etched lettering "*Guidoboni Fields*", plantings around the rock and bench with location decided by Dr. McMahon and Eagle Scout.

MOTION

On a motion by Mr. Milbert, seconded by Mr. Chaves, it was **VOTED** to approve the proposed memorial. All in favor 4-0-0

Mr. Mamakos opened discussion regarding School Committee being recognized as Special Municipal Employees and the options of presenting this to the Board of Selectman. An overview was given by Mr. Fred Duprere (district counsel). Mrs. McFarland spoke on the matter and discussion ensued.

MOTION

A motion was presented by Mrs. Elmes, whether to support Special Municipal Employee status of the Kingston School Committee to the Kingston Board of Selectman, seconded by Mr. Chaves.

MOTION

A motion was presented by Mr. Chaves, to postpone the motion above indefinitely, seconded by Mr. Chaves. VOTED 3-1-0 so moved.

APPROVAL of MINUTES

Pending next meeting

TEACHER'S CORNER

No Report

PTO REPORT

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE

No Report

ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Bartosiak reported for KES:

- Enrollment (527) and calendar of events were reviewed
- Night Conferences changed from Dec. 8th to Dec. 9th due to Election Day. Conferences will be 1-4 pm then 5:30 – 8:00 pm on the 9th of December, 2009.

Dr. McMahon reported for KIS:

- Enrollment (657) and calendar of events were reviewed
- Progress Reports and DIBELS went home today

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS - Mrs. Blackwood reports:

- AYP highlighted and discussed
- November 27th Growth Model (test report this year that shows how our students compare with similar social / economic level

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Mr. Tuffy reports:

- State is having financial problems
- Financial report reviewed
- MASC conference

MOTION

A motion was presented by Mr. Chaves, to have Scott Milbert be the designee at the MASC in November. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mamakos.

Mr. Chaves made note to change Organizational Chart to reflect Joe Chaves instead of Eric Crone on Bylaw Committee and to eliminate Scott Milbert as alternate.

Mr. Tuffy spoke about suspending Perfect Attendance Award for this year. Mr. Mamakos would like communication to go home to parents.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION REVIEW

- Discuss aggregated results on 9/28
- Electronic copy of Superintendent is forwarded to all members with hard copy handed out tonight. Request Committee to fill out and have ready for next Admin review.
- Superintendent contract will soon be in review

BYLAW – no report

PILGRIM AREA COLLABORATIVE – no quorum – no meeting – Next meeting Nov. 5th
UNION 31

- Discussion on budget

MOTION

A motion was presented by Mr. Chaves to adopt the MA Superintendent Union 31 and SL Regional School District Goals, seconded by Mrs. Elmes. VOTED 4-0-0 so moved.

NEGOTIATIONS – no report

BUDGET ADVISORY– no report

FACILITY OVERSIGHT – meeting scheduled

POLICY – done

SAFETY – changes on some wording – 1st reading tonight

TECHNOLOGY – no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Student Handbook – Mrs. Elmes wants some clarification regarding Bullying, Harassment Policy, and bus complaints. Discussion ensued. Christine Ward (concerned parent) joined in the discussion.

Mr. Chaves would like to address a letter to our Governor, our Senator and our State Rep.

APPROVAL of the BILL SCHEDULE

The warrants were presented for payments and signed.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Next School Committee meeting for November 9th, 2009.

MOTION

9:50 pm a motion by Mr. Chaves, seconded by Mr. Milbert, 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, Elmes – yes, Milbert – yes.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Wendy Fox with information attained by Mrs. Bartosiak's meeting notes.

Recording Secretary

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