Norfolk School Committee
MINUTES
Freeman-Kennedy School – Media Center
Tuesday ●December 11, 2012 ● 7:00 PM

Mission Statement
The Norfolk Public Schools offers a safe, joyful and challenging learning environment that meets the needs of our diverse students. Through school, family and community partnerships, we provide an education that inspires life-long learners and cultivates caring and productive citizens of our ever-changing world.

Call to Order
Shawn Dooley, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.
Roll Call: Jeff Chalmers, Mark Flaherty, Kelly Petersen, Thomas Doyle, and Shawn Dooley
Also Present: Dr. Ingrid Allardi, Superintendent and Pam Kinahan, Recording Secretary

Public Comment
None.

ADMINISTRATIVE/REGULAR ITEMS
Donations
Norfolk Community League donated $1,200.00 for Teacher Grants at the Freeman Kennedy School, and a $500.00 donation to go towards the purchase of a SMART Board at the H. Olive Day School. The Norfolk TPA donated $850.00 for Literacy Reading/Writing A-Z at the H. Olive Day. Target – Take Charge of Education donated $1,446.80 to the H. Olive Day School.
MOTION: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the donations from the Norfolk Community League, Norfolk TPA and Target. Mr. Doyle second. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT
H. Olive Day Trust
The trust was established approximately 15 years ago. There is approximately $68,000 dollars in the account. The attorneys are reviewing the account and investigating the possibility of dissolving the trust due to the excessive costs of maintaining and overseeing the account

H. Olive Day Playground
After meeting with the engineers and discussing site options, it was agreed to expand the playground at its current location. Each grade level submitted a "wish list" of what they would like to see added to the playground. Vendors will be submitting their proposals for the playground upgrades to the Committee. Once there is a final plan for the playground, the Committee will be pursuing other sources of funding, such as fundraising and grants.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
MCAS Comparison
Dr. Allardi provided the School Committee with an analysis of MCAS scores of districts that are comparable with Norfolk, showing how much the children have grown relative to other children across the state in the same range. Dr. Allardi also provided the Committee with a copy of the Criteria for Awarding Progress and Performance Index Outline. This information can be obtained on the Massachusetts Department of Education website, district accountability.

Go-Math Implementation Update
Kelly Whitmore, Assistant Principal at the Freeman-Kennedy School, gave a power point presentation showing the history, challenges, strengths and feedback from parents on the Go-Math Program.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
NEST
NEST is running its' first fundraiser, Nest Egg. This fundraiser allows parents to make contributions honoring their child's teacher. 100% of the contributions go back into the schools. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact Shawn Dooley at Town Hall.

Budget Subcommittee
Kelly Peterson reported that the Budget Subcommittee is currently setting the groundwork for timelines.

King Philip School Committee Liaison Report
Mr. Chalmers reported the secretaries are in the process of negotiations. There are discussions with regards to putting in turf at the high school.

Technology Committee
Mr. Chalmers reported that e-mail was sent out to all staff asking for volunteers to join the Technology Committee. The Committee will have their first meeting in January.

Policy Subcommittee
Mr. Flaherty reported that the Policy Subcommittee is currently working on the CORI Policy and that they are waiting to hear from counsel regarding wording in the policy.

1st Readings
JQ Student Costs: Fees, Fines, Tuition, and Charges
The Committee discussed removing the $10.00 late fee amount and adding the following statement, "a late fee may be assessed." Delinquencies will result in denial of participation in extracurricular activities for all family members until a payment plan is developed."

KDCCDistribution/Posting Promotional Materials on School Grounds

NEW BUSINESS
Applications for School Partner
The School Committee asked that "*optional for annual renewal*" under Description of Organization be removed from the form so that specific information can be added to membership renewals.
MOTION: Mr. Doyle made a motion to accept the Wellness/Nutrition Task Force's renewal application to remain a School Partner. Mr. Peterson second. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**

MOTION: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the Norfolk TPA's renewal application to remain a School Partner. Mr. Doyle second. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**

DECISION ITEMS
MOTION: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 13, 2012 meeting. Mr. Doyle second. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**

The next **Budget Committee meeting** will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, following the School Committee meeting, in the Media Center at the Freeman-Kennedy School.

The next **School Committee Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 7:00pm in the Media Center at the Freeman-Kennedy School.

MOTION: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm. Mr. Peterson second. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**

Exhibits
Donations
MCAS Comparisons
Criteria for Awarding Progress and Performance Index
Policy – JQ Student Costs: Fees, Tines, Tuition, and Charges
Policy – KDCC Distribution/Posting of Promotional Materials on School Grounds
Wellness/Nutrition Task Force renewal application for School Partner
Norfolk TPA renewal application for School Partner
2012-2013 Math Curriculum power point presentation
November 12, 2012 School Committee meeting minutes