

Norfolk Public Schools: NORFOLK, MASSACHUSETTS

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Norfolk School Committee MINUTES Freeman-Kennedy School – Cafeteria Tuesday • March 11, 2014 • 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 7:15 PM.

Roll Call: Jeff Chalmers, Mark Flaherty, Kelly Peterson, Thomas Doyle and Shawn Dooley

Also Present: Dr. Ingrid Allardi, Superintendent and Pam Kinahan, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Update: Freeman-Kennedy Dress Code

The School Committee voted 5 to 0 to approve the update to the Freeman-Kennedy dress code, the guidelines that are being added to the handbook. All in favor.

2014-15 Band/Bus/Lunch Fees

Motion: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to approve the proposed 2014-2015 band/bus/lunch fees and to change the beginner band fee payment due date to December 1st. Second by Mr. Doyle. All in favor. The motion was unanimously passed.

Negotiations

Mr. Dooley reported to the School Committee the next negotiation meeting will be on March 17, 2014.

School Choice

Motion: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to move to not participate in school choice. Mr. Doyle second. All in Favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

2014-15 School Year Calendar

The School Committee voted 5 to 0 to accept the 2014-2015-school calendar. All in favor.

Building Use Chart

Dr. Allardi reviewed the updated building use chart (for both schools) of the groups who are currently using space in the schools.

School Websites

Dr. Allardi reported that one of the Tech Teams goals is to rebuild our website. They will be presenting to the full Administrative Team a tentative design on March 19th. They will also present the tentative design to our Parent Leaders Group this month. The Tech Team will present their new website format to the School Committee in June.

Coordinated Program Review

The DOE will be conducting a coordinated program review of the district next year. They will be reviewing our Special Education Programs and our compliance with Civil Rights requirements. To insure that we are compliant with state and federal regulations, we are required to compile documentation one year prior to the review. We are currently in the self-study phase. The site visit may be sometime in October or November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEST

None.

King Philip

Mr. Chalmers reported on the NEASC accreditation process. King Philip is disputing the accreditation. Dr. Allardi expressed concerned about the high school losing its accreditation, which could effect enrollment. Dr. Allardi informed the committee that King Philip was currently working with NEASC to explore their options.

Policy Sub-Committee

3rd Reading: Considerations/Criteria for Approving School Partners

Motion: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the attachment to Policy KBE – Considerations/Criteria for Approving School Partners. Second by Mr. Doyle. All in favor. The motion was unanimously passed.

Budget Sub-Committee

Mr. Peterson reported that the Budget Sub-Committee is close to finalizing the budget. The next meeting is scheduled tonight after the School Committee meeting.

Technology Sub-Committee

The Tech Committee met on February 27th. The committee is working on adding Go Math and Accuity to the I Pads, and finalizing a scope and sequence for the curriculum of skills that students need to master across the grade levels. Mr. Chalmers reported that the Tech Committee is preparing a survey for teachers to assess their own technology skills to help better plan workshops for them.

Building Sub-Committee

MSBA has requested additional documentation of changes that were made to the original floor plan. They would like to be provided with program descriptions for effected Special Ed. program. We are awaiting a quote on the shades for the café and itemized items. We are requesting a mounted projector screen for the gymnasium, expanding the gate around the fields, installation of a post for the swing gate to lock into and a sign at the entrance to the access road.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the Norfolk Recreation’s renewal application for School Partnership. Second Mr. Doyle. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

Motion: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the NCL's renewal application for School Partnership. Second Mr. Doyle. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2014. Second Mr. Doyle. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

The next **School Committee Meeting** will be held April 8, 2014.

Motion: Mr. Flaherty made a motion to end the meeting at 8:15pm. Second by Mr. Doyle. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 Update - Freeman-Kennedy Dress Code
- Exhibit 2 2014-15 Band-Bus-Lunch Fees
- Exhibit 3 Norfolk Public Schools 2014-15 Calendar
- Exhibit 4 Building Use Chart – January thru June 2014
- Exhibit 5 Consideration/Criteria for Approving School Partners – Attachment to Policy KBE
- Exhibit 6 Renewal Application for School Partner – Norfolk Recreation
- Exhibit 7 Renewal Application for School Partner – NCL
- Exhibit 8 School Committee Meeting Minutes, February 11, 2014