

KING PHILIP REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES
October 20, 2014
King Philip Regional High School Library

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Members Present:	Norfolk:	Michael Gee, Noelle Tonelli, Jeff Chalmers
	Plainville:	Ann-marie Martin, Charlene McEntee, Patrick Francomano
	Wrentham:	Lynn Desrochers, Jim Killion, Edward Goddard
Members Absent:		Edward Goddard
HS Student Council Representative:		Edward Cullinane

The meeting is not being videotaped this evening by Wrentham Cable Access. Mrs. Martin explained that the public may visit the district's website at www.kingphilip.org to review informational documents pertaining to each school committee meeting. Videotaped meetings may be viewed in their entirety at www.wrenthamcableaccess.com. Mrs. Martin also explained the procedure for public comment.

DELEGATIONS, VISITORS, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, ETC.:

Dr. Gilson, Assistant Superintendent/MS Principal
Mr. Dow, HS Business Teacher
Mr. Wolloff, Music Director

CONSENT AGENDA

PAYMENT OF BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT:

Warrants/Budget Report & Transfers

The following documents were presented as the Consent Agenda:

- Appointments, Retirements, etc. dated October 6, 2014;
- Board & Administrator, October 2014, Vol. 28, No.6

✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Killion to approve the Minutes of October 6, 2014 as presented. All in favor with Mr. Chalmers abstaining.**

✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano. Seconded by Mrs. McEntee to approve the Minutes of October 8, 2014, as presented. All in favor with Mr. Killion abstaining.**

AGENDA ITEMS:

Approval of Minutes:

✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. McEntee, to discuss the Executive Session Minutes of October 6, 2014 in executive session. All in favor.**

NEW BUSINESS:

DECA Overnight Field Trips:

The School Committee discussed and requested that more substantive information be provided before approval would be made for the DECA State Competition in March 2015 and the DECA International Marketing Skills Conference to be held in April 2015. Mr. Dow, HS DECA Advisor, explained that since the competitions have not yet taken place, it is difficult to provide specific information at this time.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Gee, to approve the 3 DECA overnight field trips presented this evening according to Policy JJH and IJOA:
 1. HS DECA Leadership and Skills Building Conference to be held November 21-23, 2014 in Washington, DC;
 2. HS DECA State Competition to be held March 12-14, 2015 in Boston, MA;
 3. HS DECA International Marketing Skills Conference to be held April 24-29, 2015 in Orlando, FL, with lodging accommodations to be determined.These trips are subject to the superintendent's approval based upon receiving all of the required additional information. The School Committee also requests that they receive updated information when it has been received by the superintendent.
All in favor.

Winter Guard Fee:

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. McEntee, to establish a fee for participation in the Winter Color Guard Program of \$500 per participant as recommended. All in favor.

MASC Delegate Resolutions:

The complete report of the Resolutions Committee of MASC was distributed for consideration at the Annual MASC/MASS Joint Conference.

Resolution 1: Greater Transparency and Accountability for Out of District Placement Costs.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mrs. McEntee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution or to use her discretion subject to any amendments or motions on the floor. All in favor.

Resolution 2: Universal Quality Pre-Kindergarten Access in Massachusetts

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mrs. Tonelli, seconded by Mr. Killion, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution or to use her discretion subject to any amendments or motions on the floor. All in favor.

Resolution 3: Charter School Reform

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. McEntee, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution or to use her discretion subject to any amendments or motions on the floor. All in favor.

Resolution 4: Fingerprinting

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mrs. McEntee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution or to use her discretion subject to any amendments or motions on the floor. All in favor.

Resolution 5: Reinstitution of Earmarking

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. Tonelli, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution or to use her discretion subject to any amendments or motions on the floor. Yes (7); Nay (1) Mrs. Desrochers

Resolution 6: Unfunded Mandates and New Testing

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mrs. McEntee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution or to use her discretion subject to any amendments or motions on the floor. All in favor.

Resolution 7: Discussion was held on the Assessment System in Massachusetts.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mrs. McEntee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to ask Mrs. Martin as Voting Delegate of the King Philip Regional School Committee, to support this resolution, and to oppose any amendments and or amended motions that would hinder the

implementation of the Common Core, or to use her discretion subject to any other amendments or motions on the floor. All in favor.

MASC Nomination Committee slate of candidates:

- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. McEntee to approve the MASC Nomination Committee's slate of candidates to MASC. All in favor.**

COMMUNICATION

KP in the News:

An article in *The Sun Chronicle*, entitled, "Plainville lieutenant serving on Navy's newest destroyer, the Zumwalt," dated October 15, 2014;

An article from *Hockomock Sports.com* highlighted the player of the week as Mary Campbell, KP volleyball;

An article published in "Lion" dated September 2014, entitled Leos Rule about the how the Leo Club makes senior citizens feel like royalty. Mr. Francomano suggested that copies of this article be sent to the senior centers of Norfolk, Plainville and Wrentham when they become available.

HS Student Council Report (taken out of order):

National Business Honor Society

- Officer Team will be declared on November 1st.
- NBHS Membership Meeting on November 15th.
- Service Learning opportunities declared on December 15th.

International Club

- International Education Week- November 17-21st.
- Working on a Memory Project with the Art National Honor Society.

Science National Honor Society

- Planning events for the year.
- Currently selling T-shirts.

Spanish National Honor Society/Club

- Accepted 26 new members. Currently planning activities for the year.

DECA

- Initiation Breakfast being held on November 4th.
- Officers attending NARCON Conference on November 21-23 in Washington D.C.

National Honor Society

- Induction is being planned for November.
- Applications have gone out to students that qualify and are due on the 27th.

Student Council

- Currently planning Halloween Spooktacular, and other events.

GSA

- Currently selling buttons as a fundraiser for the group.
- Meetings every Wednesday in room 339.

Senior Government

- Voting for Senior Superlatives is currently going on. Winners will be announced at Senior Supper on November 19th.

KP Cares

- KP Cares is holding an awareness week this week raising awareness for different organizations. Each day students are encouraged to wear a different color in support of the organizations. For example, Tuesday is Autism Awareness and students should wear blue in support. Additionally, they will be collecting funds at lunch each day for the charity of that day

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

None

Reports from School Committee Members:

Mr. Chalmers: The Norfolk School Committee met on October 14 and reviewed and signed BICO Agreement, discussion was held on capping class sizes, and DDMs. The Technology Committee plans to meet in November and hopes to include with Mr. Bouzan, KP Technology Coordinator.

Mrs. McEntee: The Plainville Elementary District met on October 15, 2014 and reviewed goals.

Mr. Goddard: None

Bi-County Collaborative Agreement:

At the October 6, 2014 meeting, the School Committee discussed the Bi County Collaborative Bylaws. Concern was raised about Section IV – Governance, specifically that each School Committee shall annually appoint its Superintendent to serve on the Board of Directors. The 2012 Session Law, Chapter 43, An Act Relative to Improving Accountability and Oversight of Educational Collaboratives, Section 1(c) gives the School Committee a broader discretion on who they could choose to appoint. The Committee was concerned that the bylaws, as written, take away this discretion and would like to see them be reflective of the current law.

Discussion ensued on whether or not to table this vote until the other 17 member school committees were able to review and act upon this matter. There was uncertainty as to whether the bylaws are approved by a majority or unanimous vote. Given that uncertainty, the committee asked Mrs. Martin to communicate with all the member committees so that each can consider the issue before the bylaws are approved. On October 8, 2014, this letter was sent to the superintendents with the request that it be forwarded to the chairs of their respective school committees.

In a memorandum dated, October 16, 2014, Dr. Zielinski made the recommendation that the committee vote to accept the bylaws as presented and if it is the will of the committee, to instruct the superintendent to present the amendment of the bylaws to the BICO Executive Board once the member districts have approved the presented agreement. Dr. Zielinski spoke with Dr. Grubert, BICO's Director, and as of today, 9 districts have approved the agreement.

Discussion ensued and the Committee asked that Mrs. Martin send the letter directly to the chairs of the member town school committees.

Recommendations or Questions from Individual Committee Members:

Late Communications:

Public Comment:

Adjournment:

- ✚ **At 7:55pm, a Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to adjourn into Executive Session for the following purpose: to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares only to return for purposes of adjournment. All in favor by roll call vote: Yes (8); No (0).**
- ✚ **At 8:40pm, a Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. McEntee to adjourn. All in favor by roll call vote: Yes (8); No (0).**

*Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Barrett Witkus
Executive Assistant &
Secretary to the School Committee*