

KING PHILIP REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
August 17, 2015
King Philip Regional High School - Library

CALL TO ORDER:

Mrs. Martin, Chair called the meeting to order at 7PM.

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Members Present:	Norfolk:	Michael Gee, Noelle Tonelli, Jeff Chalmers
	Plainville:	Patrick Francomano, Ann-marie Martin
	Wrentham:	Danielle Schmitz, Lynn Desrochers

Members Absent:	Plainville:	Charlene McEntee
	Wrentham:	Jim Killion

The meeting is not being videotaped 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.

Mr. Francomano suggested that in the future, the Budget and Finance Meeting Minutes be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda under Communications. The SC was in agreement

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Two corrections were noted as follows:

In section titled General Operation: School Committee Chair Meetings:

“A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano seconded by Mrs. McEntee to request the individual local elementary school committee representatives to ask their committees to approve a joint...”

In section Goal Setting for School Committee 2016, the following sentence needs to be added:

“The School Committee will continue the goal setting process during the first meeting in September (9/8/15).”

 **A Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to approve the Minutes of July 21, 2015, as corrected. All in favor.**

2. PAYMENT OF BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Warrants/Budget Report/Budget Transfers

3. DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS

Dr. Zielinski, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Olen

4. COMMUNICATION:

KP in the News:

- An article in The Sun Chronicle entitled “The Turf will be Looking Greener at KP” dated July 8, 2015;

- An article in The Sun Chronicle entitled “Legislature Restores Funding for King Philip Turf Field”, dated July 30, 2015.

5. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Incorporated below under New Business

6. REPORTS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mrs. Schmitz announced that a new Technology Director has been hired in Wrentham.

Student School Committee Member, Miss Sheehan, indicated that student schedules were recently published on iPass and that students were getting excited for the start of the school year.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bi-County Collaborative Amended FY16 Budget

Mr. Schaefer distributed copies for review and discussion. Mr. Francomano asked if the budget could change and how a reasonable rate is determined. Dr. Zielinski stated that BiCO sets rates and generally keeps them attractive for schools.

Artificial Turf Field Update

Dr. Zielinski offered an update. At this time the field is on schedule. There will be additional funds of \$15K needed to fix drains and additional money to change gate design. These items are not considered an overage because funds were built into budget for this purpose. September 17th is expected date of completion. KP’s first home football game is September 26th. Price quotes have also been requested for resurfacing of the track and tennis courts which are now ten years old. If the quotes seem reasonable, they will be presented to the Committee. Mr. Francomano expressed concerned about the high balance in the athletic revolving fund. Mr. Chalmers suggested that when you have an account that size consideration should be given to offsetting student fees in other area, etc.

Mrs. Desrochers asked about the concession stand? Dr. Zielinski stated it is not within the scope of the current project.

Superintendent’s S.M.A.R.T. Goals – Revised

The addition of SMART Goal #4 reviewed in detail. Dual enrollment was discussed. Dr. Zielinski reported that colleges are shying away from this for budget reasons but that Guidance could do better pushing it while it is available so that students don’t miss registration deadlines. Miss Sheehan shared her own experience of not being able to get a class at Bristol Community College because it was too late by the time she was made aware of it.

Virtual High School classes were discussed. Dr. Zielinski described them as rigorous. Mrs. Desrochers shared her son’s experience with a virtual course, which was very positive.

Superintendent Rubric at a glance reviewed. Highlighted are already aligned with goals.

Mr. Francomano asked if it would be possible to take a comprehensive look at what we are doing with student mental health in grades 7-12 (drug/alcohol, physical, emotional, mental abuse). What are issues and what can do better?

Dr. Zielinski indicated that last year she charged each Assistant Principal with these types of tasks. She recommended they be invited to attend an upcoming meeting to report out. She said that the Metro Health Survey given each year. At the Committee’s request, the results will be shared in an upcoming meeting. Mr. Francomano asked if we are properly addressing the tragedies involved with our school. Dr. Zielinski reviewed the counseling available and staff on hand for that purpose. The

STEPS program, etc. She will get the Committee more information on what is available. Mrs. Tonelli said it's very important that parents know that we are here to take care of kids, not only academically but in all the ways described above. A report will be presented in October.

Dr. Zielinski offered an update on the search for a Human Resources Director. Second round interview are underway and a decision will be made very soon.

- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to approve the Superintendent SMART Goals, as revised. All in favor.**

Building Walk-Through Date

The walk-throughs will occur on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 beginning with the Middle School at 6pm and the High School at 7pm.

Calendar of Events for Opening Week of School

The memo to the Committee from Dr. Zielinski, dated 8/13/15 was reviewed.

Physician's Contract

The details of the Physician's Contract is outlined in a member to the Committee from Mr. Schaefer dated 8/17/15.

- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Gee, to approve the Physician's Contract as presented. All in favor.**

8. NEW BUSINESS:

MASC Official Delegate Appointment

- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to appoint Mrs. Martin as the MASC Delegate for King Philip and All in favor.**
- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. Tonelli, to appoint Mr. Gee as the alternate delegate, pending his availability. All in favor.**

Acceptance of Grant: Firefighters Charitable Foundation

Mr. Schaefer For defibrillator upgrades. 6 new purchased at \$1000 each. Grant to help offset. Motion to Approve by MG and PF seconded. All in favor

- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to appoint accept a check in the amount of \$300 from the Firefighters Charitable Foundation. All in favor.**

Home School Requests

- ✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Chalmers, to approve the six students who have requested home schooling. All in favor**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Adjournment:

- ✚ At 8:42 pm, a Motion was made by Mr. Francomano seconded by Mrs. Desrochers, to adjourn into Executive Session and to return to open session solely for the purpose of Adjournment. All in favor by roll call vote. Yes (7) No (0).
- ✚ At 9:15 pm, A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Chalmers, to adjourn. All in favor by roll call vote. Yes (7); No (0).

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Olen, Recording Secretary