King Philip Regional School Committee Minutes of November 20, 2023 – Approved King Philip Regional High School – Library 201 Franklin Street, Wrentham, MA 02093

#### **OPENING OF MEETING**

Mr. Lehan, Chair opened the meeting at 7:02pm

### **RECORDING OF MEETING**

This meeting was recorded by Wrentham Cable 8

# **ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

### **Members Present:**

Norfolk: Mr. Jim Lehan, Mr. Eric Harmon, Ms. Jennifer Wynn

Plainville: Ms. Michele Sharpe, Mr. Greg Wehmeyer

Wrentham: Mr. Marc Waxman, Mr. Joe Cronin

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Norfolk: Present

**Plainville:** Mr. Bruce Cates

Wrentham: Present

#### **VISITORS**

Dr. Rich Drolet, Dr. Susan Gilson, Mr. Larry Azer, Mr. Michael Bois, Ms. Lisa Moy, Mrs. Barbara Snead, Ms. Addison Lewis, Ms. Nicole Bottomley, Ms. Michelle Kreuzer, Mr. Josh Wolloff, Mrs. Venessa Petit

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were none.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

All items listed in the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion if action is required.

- -Draft Minutes from November 6, 2023
- -Payment of Bills/Warrants
- -Communications
- A Motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Cronin, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, including the draft minutes from November 6, 2023. All in favor: Yes (8); No (0); Abstain (0) Motion carried 8-0-0.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

The November 20, 2023 HS Student Council Report was read into the minutes by Ms. Addison Lewis. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes.

#### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

# Superintendent's Update

Dr. Drolet shared his update, which included but was not limited to the following topics:

- MASC/MASS Annual Conference
- North TV
- Strategic Planning
- Dr. Erin Nerlino- Massachusetts Teacher of the Year Semifinalist
- Fall Sports Playoffs and Fall Student Signing Day
- Prism Concert

Mr. Waxman informed Mr. Lehan that he would be interested in being a part of the Strategic Planning Team. Mr. Lehan recommended one member from each town. If any other members would be interested in serving on this team please speak with Dr. Drolet or Mr. Lehan. The time commitment for this work would be from February to May and would meet about once a month. Times would vary.

Mr. Lehan said the MASC/MASS conference was very informative. He gained knowledge of ways to establish stabilization funds to be able to fund longer term projects. This will be discussed further at the finance subcommittee.

A copy of the Superintendent's Update is attached to these minutes.

### **NEW BUSINESS(taken out of order)**

#### FY 2024 Winter Music Fees

Mr. Wolloff spoke on behalf of the FY 2024 Winter Music Fees. A copy of the memo is attached to these minutes.

• A Motion was made by Mr. Harmon seconded by Ms. Greaney to approve the FY 2024 Winter Music Fees as presented. All in favor: Yes(8) Mr. Harmon, Mr. Lehan, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Waxman, Ms. Sharpe, Mr. Wehmeyer, Ms. Wynn, Ms. Greaney; No(0); Abstain(0). 8-0-0 Motion carried.

### Naming & Dedication of the HS Fine and Performing Arts Wing

Mr. Wolloff asked for guidance about getting the music/fine arts suite named after Peter G. Tileston who was the previous band director and has been instrumental to the growth and strength of the program. Dr. Drolet shared two school committee policies. **Policy FF**-Naming New Facilities and **Policy FF-E**-Naming and Dedicating School Facilities. Policy FF-E- would be used in this instance. Mr. Wolloff was given a copy of the Nomination Form to complete and return to Dr. Drolet or Mr. Lehan. A copy of both policies and nomination form are attached to these minutes.

#### School Improvement Plans-High School and Middle School, 2023-2024

Ms. Bottomley introduced three high school students who presented the building goals for the 2023-2024 school year. They were: Mr. Ryan Mahoney, Mr. Aiden Shaughnessy, Ms. Arun Nakshatra. A copy of the plan is attached to these minutes.

Ms. Kreuzer gave a presentation on the middle school improvement plan for 2023-2024 school year. A copy of the plan is attached to these minutes.

- A Motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Cronin, to approve the King Philip Regional High School Improvement Plan for 2023-2024 as presented. All in favor: Yes(8) Mr. Harmon, Mr. Lehan, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Waxman, Ms. Sharpe, Mr. Wehmeyer, Ms. Greaney, Ms. Wynn; No(0); Abstain(0). 8-0-0 Motion carried.
- A Motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Waxman, to approve the King Philip Regional Middle School Improvement Plan for 2023-2024 as presented. All in favor: Yes(8) Mr. Harmon, Mr. Lehan, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Waxman, Ms. Sharpe, Mr. Wehmeyer, Ms. Greaney, Ms. Wynn; No(0); Abstain(0). 8-0-0 Motion carried.

### Proposed KPRSD Student Handbook Revisions (Middle School), 2023-2024(first read)

Ms. Kreuzer proposed updates to the King Philip Regional School District Student Handbook for the 2023-2024 school year in regards to maintaining a cell-phone free learning environment that promotes student engagement and positive behavior. This was a first reading. Ms. Kreuzer would like to get the revisions implemented for January. A copy of the proposed revisions is attached.

- A Motion was made by Ms. Wynn seconded by Mr. Waxman, to waive the second reading. All in favor: Yes(8) Mr. Harmon, Mr. Lehan, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Waxman, Ms. Sharpe, Mr. Wehmeyer, Ms. Greaney, Ms. Wynn; No(0); Abstain(0). 8-0-0 Motion carried.
- A Motion was made by Mr. Waxman seconded by Mr. Cronin to approve as amended to replace the wording "in their lockers" with "in the assigned location". All in favor: Yes(8) Mr. Harmon, Mr. Lehan, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Waxman, Ms. Sharpe, Mr. Wehmeyer, Ms. Greaney, Ms. Wynn; No(0); Abstain(0). 8-0-0 Motion carried.

### FY 2023 End of Year Budget Report

Mr. Azer presented the FY 2023 Budget- Final Financial Results to the committee. A copy of this presentation is attached to these minutes.

# Review of and Vote on Proposed King Philip Logo Policy(first read)

Mr. Harmon read a first read of the "Proposed King Philip Logo Policy". A copy of the proposal is attached to the minutes. This proposal would allow some of the other things that are currently in use or have been in use to be used as part of the logo. Committee members had a lengthy discussion and it was decided to table this item.

• A motion was made by Mr. Wehmeyer that the committee not have a second reading of the policy because the committee does not want to create the new policy. Mr. Lehan asked for a second motion. Hearing no second, the motion did not carry.

Mr. Lehan encouraged members to go back and review the video from the September 6, 2022 school committee meeting. It was decided that the Policy Subcommittee will take the feedback discussed at

tonight's meeting, change or amend the proposed policy and bring back a draft that is different from the one that was presented at tonight's meeting if the subcommittee so choses.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** (taken out of order)

### FY 2025 School Committee Goals

Mr. Lehan thanked members who gave input on the FY 2025 School Committee Goals and suggested that the comments fell into five general categories.

- Superintendent's Evaluation
- Finance
- Policy
- Communication/Social Media
- Educational Goals

The committee agreed to have Mr. Lehan and Dr. Drolet review all the feedback that members gave and return with a recommendation to the full committee. A copy of each member's feedback is attached to these minutes.

### **REPORTS FROM SUBCOMMITTEES**

None

### REPORTS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Plainville School Committee Representative: Ms. Sharpe-no report given

<u>Norfolk School Committee Representative</u>: Ms. Wynn said a building committee will be formed to do a study for an expansion. An updated enrollment study will be needed. A DEI Equity Audit was done, results were shared. SEPAC will be bringing in a program called ICARES.

<u>Wrentham School Committee Representative</u>: Ms. Greaney said Sgt. Morris and Officer Schwalbe from Wrentham PD held a school committee safety workshop. The school committee approved multiple donations to the district from WEST. The total amount donated was approximately \$24,000. This will be used to fill fourteen grant requests. Wrentham residents voted "yes" to fund the feasibility study.

### **LATE COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

None

### RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Wynn wished everyone a nice relaxing holiday.

Mr. Lehan thanked committee members for their conversations tonight and respecting each other's views.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

• At 9:31pm, a Motion was made by Mr. Waxman, seconded by Mr. Cronin, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by roll call vote: Yes (8): Mr. Lehan, Mr. Harmon, Ms. Greaney, Mr. Waxman, Mr. Cronin, Ms. Wynn; Ms. Sharpe; Mr. Wehmeyer; No (0); Abstain (0). Motion carried 8-0-0.

Mr. Lehan, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 9:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Venessa Petit Secretary to the School Committee

### **Documents presented on November 20, 2023:**

Agenda

Bills/Warrants

Draft Minutes from November 6, 2023

Stuco Report November 20, 2023

Superintendent Update

FY 2025 School Committee Goals

School Improvement Plans-High School and Middle School 2023-2024

Proposed KPRSD Student Handbook Revisions (Middle School), 2023-2024

Proposed King Philip Logo Policy (First Read)

FY 2024 Winter Music Fees

Policy FF-Naming New Facilities

Policy FF-E-Naming and Dedicating School Facilities

FY 2023 End of Year Budget Report