

FOSTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
CAPTAIN ISAAC PAINE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

NOVEMBER 22, 2005

7:00 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Chairwoman Donna Mansolillo, Vice Chair Patricia Fountain, Member Paul Darcy, Superintendent Robert Wallace, Principal Gary Moore.

**OPENING:**

School Committee reconvened to open session from executive session at 7:10 p.m. Chairwoman Mansolillo reported there were no votes taken in executive session, except for a vote to seal the minutes. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited. The floor was opened for public comment. Public comment was taken.

**LATE BUS:**

This item was tabled.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Superintendent Wallace had one communication from the planning board asking the school committee members to notify them of any ordinances that impacted the school department in a negative way.

**USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES:**

-PTG requested the use of the gym, cafeteria and kitchen for December 3 for Breakfast with Santa. Mrs. Fountain made a motion to approve. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

-Ponagansett Youth Basketball requested use of the gym on Mondays from November through February. Mr. Darcy made a motion to approve. Mrs. Fountain seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**BUDGET REORGANIZATION COMMITTEE:**

Chairwoman Mansolillo praised the committee, which consisted of Dennis Chretien, Cynthia Bernard, Frank Arnold, Neal Whitelaw and Bob Van Meter. Mrs. Fountain made a motion to accept the report submitted to the school committee by the temporary budget reorganization committee on final minutes dated November 7, 2005. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0. Mrs. Fountain made a motion to dissolve the temporary budget reorganization committee and delegate any questions that may come up in the future to the chairman, Neal Whitelaw. Mrs. Fountain would also like to send formal letters of thank you to the committee members. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0. Mrs. Fountain made a motion to put the budget reorganization committee recommendations on next month's agenda. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**POLICIES:**

Universal Precautions: This item was tabled.

Grants: After brief discussion about time constraints this item was tabled.

Procedure: After brief discussion this item was tabled.

**IN-SITE REVIEW:**

Malcolm Moore gave a brief overview of the In-Site report. Discussion followed.

Superintendent Wallace recommended approval of the report. Mrs. Fountain moved the motion. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**TECHNOLOGY UPDATE:**

Superintendent Wallace reported that Ms. Walsh has been making repairs and upgrades to computers and printers, addressing software issues and “rescuing” computers from the storeroom. She has also met with Mike Marsiglia from the region about RINET.

**MISSION STATEMENT:**

Mr. Darcy stated his thoughts about a mission statement being about the betterment and advancement of education. Mrs. Fountain submitted her recommendations to the chair. Mr. Darcy requested it be on the agenda next month.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:**

Principal Moore reported that \$660.00 was raised for the Red Cross. He also reported on Spirit Week. Breakfast with Santa and a penny social will be December 13. Ms. Seitler gave an updated regarding Mike Barnes.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

No report.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mrs. Fountain made a motion to approve the executive session minutes from 9/27, 10/18 and 10/25. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

Mrs. Fountain made a motion to approve open session minutes from 10/25 with the following amendments: Page 1, Security Bids, Mrs. Fountain pointed out that she asked Mr. Wallace if the money was from the capital funds and not the operational budget.

Page 3, Exit Testing, include the exit testing results in the minutes. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:**

Mrs. Fountain made a motion to accept the warrants dated 11/2/05. Mr. Darcy seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Temporary Budget Reorganization Committee recommendations.
- Mission statement.
- Grants.
- Recreation Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Darcy made a motion to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Mrs. Fountain seconded. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Submitted by Melanie M. Chace