

FOSTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
CAPTAIN ISAAC PAINE SCHOOL LIBRARY
7:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 27, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Chairman Michael Paolucci, Vice Chair Dennis Chretien, Member Ron Cervasio, Superintendent Robert Wallace, Principal Gary Moore.

OPENING:

The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited. The floor was opened for public comment. There was no public comment.

LEGO LEAGUE:

Presentation by the Lego League. A motion was made by Mr. Chretien to send commendation letters to Ms. Payette and Ms. Krikstone. Mr. Paolucci seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Mr. Chretien suggested sending a flyer out explaining the region's energy saving performance contract.
- Superintendent Wallace reported that the town forwarded \$1,310 in grant money received for a puppeteer to work with the kids for a week. Ms. Rothberg requested further donations from parents and faculty for a total of \$1,600 to cover the expenses for this program.
- Superintendent Wallace reported that the planning board was looking for input from the school committee on the impact a proposed 8-lot subdivision would have on the school. Mr. Chretien made a motion that the superintendent send a written response to the planning board on behalf of the school committee. Mr. Cervasio seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES:

-Swamp Meadow Community Theater has requested use of the cafeteria and kitchen on June 6, 7, 8, and August 10, 13-18. Mr. Cervasio made a motion to grant this request. Mr. Chretien seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

PTG UPDATE:

Presentation by Mary Jayne Foster.

SIT UPDATE:

Presentation by Principal Moore

POLICY 4116.1:

This policy involves background checks for new employees. First reading.

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE:

Discussion was held regarding the ability to advertise in a paper of general circulation other than the *Providence Journal*. Mr. Paolucci asked Superintendent Wallace to speak to the town solicitor regarding this matter.

TRANSPORTATION:

Routes:

Ms. Catoulo will be invited to the next meeting for discussion.

AM Arrival:

Discussion was held regarding bringing students off the bus in the morning and into the cafeteria. Mr. Cervasio made a motion to appropriate \$450 to cover the cost of supervision. Mr. Paolucci seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

POLICY 5131.3:

This item was tabled.

POLICY 5144:

This item involves medication in school. First reading.

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Discussion was held regarding the hiring of a special education teacher.

REVIEWED POLICIES:

This item was tabled.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Principal Moore delivered a Response to Intervention packet to the school committee. He also reported that testing scores will be in in March. Also, March 13 is picture day, March 16 is the Girls' Choice Dance and March 23 is the Boys' Choice Dance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Wallace provided the school committee with a supplemental budget packet. After reviewing several points of this budget he recommended forwarding it to the town council. Mr. Cervasio made a motion in support of this recommendation. Mr. Chretien seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Chretien made a motion to approve the executive session minutes from 1/23/07 and the open session minutes from 1/23/07 and the town council minutes from 2/8/07 as submitted. Mr. Cervasio seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

Mr. Chretien made a motion to approve Check Registers dated 1/30/07, 2/7/07 and 2/8/07. Mr. Cervasio seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

-Advertising.

- Bus routes
- 2nd reading, Medication policy
- Special Education
- FELT phys ed
- Policies
- State test scores

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Cervasio made a motion to adjourn at 9:19 p.m. Mr. Chretien seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

Submitted by Melanie M. Chace