

Foster School Committee Meeting  
Captain Isaac Paine School Library  
Executive Session- 6:00 PM

April 22, 2008  
Open Session – 7:00 PM

**CONVENE MEETING:**

-Meeting was convened at 7:00PM

**ATTENDANCE:**

-Chairman Michael Paolucci, Vice Chair Dennis Chretien, Member Ron Cervasio, Superintendent Wallace, Principal Moore

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

-Chairman Paolucci reported there was no executive session.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

-The “Pledge of Allegiance” was recited.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

-Mr. Wallace reported no communications.

**REQUEST TO USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES:**

-Mr. Wallace reported that the PTG requested the use of the cafeteria and gym for Girl’s Choice Dance on April 4, 2008 from 5:30PM to 10:00PM. Mr. Chretien made a motion to accept, Mr. Cervasio seconded. The motion passed 3-0-0.

**TECHNOLOGY:**

No new information to present.

**BUDGET 08-09:**

-Mr. Wallace reported that he was able to eliminate \$28,198, the amount the budget was over the 5% cap. The superintendent reported that a savings of \$4,500 was realized when the Laidlaw Performance Bond was eliminated. Also, using Medicaid funds, Mr. Wallace was able to save 20% of a special education teacher’s salary, 10.5% of the teacher’s benefits, and the cost of special education transportation for a student for a total of \$23,608. Mr. Paolucci made a motion accepted the amended 08-09 budget, Mr. Cervasio seconded. The motion passed 3-0-0.

**POLICIES:**

-Policy # 5119, Non-Resident Student Tuition Policy, 1st reading.

-Mr. Wallace also reported that although not a policy issue, one item still needed is the enrollment agreement but that he has been in contact with a dozen private schools for copies of theirs. These will be sent to Mr. Piccirilli, legal counsel for the Regional School District, so that he may draft an enrollment agreement.

-Superintendent Wallace also shared an advertisement for tuition students that will be placed in the Foster Home Journal.

-Mr. Wallace also asked the School Committee to set the tuition rate for non-resident students. Chairman Paolucci tabled this item until the May meeting and asked Superintendent Wallace to check the tuition rates Connecticut private school charge.

-Policy #5118, Non-Resident Students, Revision. Revision as follows; “*Any non-resident student whose parent or legal guardian wishes to enroll his or her child as a tuition student shall comply with policy #5119.*” -Mr. Chretien made a motion to accept the amendment to Policy #5118. Mr. Cervasio seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:**

- Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, the 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be holding their annual Rhode Island Day starting at 1:30PM.
- Captain Isaac Paine School will be holding its annual Arts Night on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 6-8PM.
- Student created robotic presentations and demonstrations, including those of our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students and Mrs. Payette’s 1<sup>st</sup> grade and After School robotics students, will be open to the public on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:30AM-3:00PM at Martin Middle School in East Providence.
- Life Flight will be flying onto our playground on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Students will view the helicopter and talk with the crew.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

-Mr. Wallace recommended that Karen Shewcov be appointed as clerk of the school committee. Mr. Paolucci made a motion appoint Mrs. Shewcov as school committee clerk, Mr. Chretien seconded. The motion passed 3-0-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

-Mr. Chretien made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 25<sup>th</sup> School Committee meeting. Mr. Cervasio seconded. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:**

-Mr. Chretien made a motion to accept the Warrants from April 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Cervasio seconded. The motion passed 3-0-0.

-Mr. Chretien made a motion to accept the Warrants from March 12th with all issues resolved. Mr. Cervasio seconded. The motion passed 3-0-0.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Technology
- 08-09 School Budget
- Non-Resident Tuition
- Paine School Scholarship Fund

**ADJOURNMENT:**

-Mr. Cervasio made a motion to adjourn at 7:30PM. Chairman Paolucci seconded. The motion passed 3-0-0.

Submitted by Gary Moore