

Franklin School Committee
Tuesday, May 23, 2023
Municipal Building – Council Chambers
7:00 P.M.

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Executive Session

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(2) to discuss strategy in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel

At 7:00pm, Ms. Spencer called the meeting to order and said they would be adjourning the meeting and entering into Executive Session. She asked for a motion and a second.

Motion: Ms. Stokes; Second: Mr. McNeill

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Camille Bernstein-Yes; Mr. David Callaghan-Yes;

Mr. Al Charles-Yes; Mr. David McNeill-Yes; Ms. Elise Stokes-Yes;

Ms. Meghan Whitmore-Yes; Ms. Denise Spencer-Yes

Motion Carries 7-0

At 7:14pm, Ms. Spencer called the meeting back to order.

In attendance was: Ms. Camille Bernstein-Yes; Mr. David Callaghan-Yes; Mr. Al Charles-Yes; Mr. David McNeill-Yes; Ms. Denise Spencer-Yes; Ms. Elise Stokes-Yes; Ms. Meghan Whitmore-Yes

Also in attendance was: Mr. Lucas Giguere; Mrs. Paula Marano; Mrs. Miriam Goodman; Dr. Tina Rogers

Pledge of Allegiance

Mairead Boozang

Mairead is an 8th grade student at Annie Sullivan Middle School who continually strives to challenge herself in her academic classes and in the orchestra. She asks great questions, never hesitates to volunteer to speak in class, and is motivated to do well! More importantly, she is a student who is curious and thoughtful--she is a friend to everyone and her kindness is ever-present.

Mairead is the youngest of three children and participates in dance classes outside of school. She really likes hip hop or jazz. Mairead is excited about entering Franklin High School in the fall and is looking forward to taking different elective classes that are offered at the high school. We are so proud of Mairead for representing ASMS!

Moment of Silence

I. Routine Business

- a. Review of Agenda** - reviewed and in order
- b. Payment of Bills** - reviewed and in order
- c. Payroll** - reviewed and in order
- d. FHS Student Representative Comments** - there were none
- e. Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Giguere spoke about the Massachusetts Seal of Biliteracy and those students from FHS who have achieved this status for the 2022-2023 school year.

Mr. Giguere said that the FHS graduation is 6/2/23 at 6:30pm.

Mr. Giguere shared a budget update and said there will be a meeting with the Town Council on 5/24/23 and possibly 5/25/23. He said he has received emails from the music community advocating for the music program. He noted that Memorial Day is coming up on 5/29/23.

Ms. Spencer asked for any comments/questions from the committee?

Mr. Callaghan encouraged the community to stay informed in regards to the budget.

Mr. McNeill said thank you for the Seal of Biliteracy update.

Ms. Spencer thanked Mr. Giguere for noting the music programs and spoke about the emails they have received as a school committee.

II. Guests/Presentations

a. Retiree Recognition

Mr. Giguere shared the names of those retiring but not in attendance tonight:

Carol Allen, ASMS

Lisa Trainer, Central Office

Laura Flanagan, ECDC

Beth Simon, HMMS

Linda Doherty, Jefferson

Brenda Reed, Lifelong Learning

Janet Travers, Parmenter

Ann-Marie Williams, Parmenter

He also shared and recognized those in attendance:

Aida Aizman, FHS

Colleen Donahue, HMMS

Elaine Martin, Keller

Laurie Zarella, Parmenter

Miriam Goodman, Central Office

b. ASMS Highlights - Ms. Lizzie Morrison, Mr. Michael Procacini

****See presentation slides for detailed information***

Ms. Morrison spoke about Advisory and the weekly schedule it follows.

She spoke about different screening tools and the mental health needs of their students. She also spoke about the well-being of staff. She spoke about groups such as Peer Leaders, Spirit Days, the Colgate 13 Performance, and the 8th Grade Field Trip to Boston.

Mr. Procacini spoke about the implementation of OpenSciEd and explained how the instructional model works.

Ms. Spencer asked for any comments/questions from the committee?

Ms. Bernstein said she enjoyed hearing about Spirit Days and OpenSciEd. She asked what help the School Committee can offer Annie Sullivan regarding space.

Ms. Morrison said that ASMS enrollment is less than the other two middle schools. She said she is always in communication with Mr. Stark about ideas to interchange the space.

Mr. Callaghan asked how the gradual rollout works for OpenSciEd and if they recommend that process?

Mr. Procacini replied that it is an Open SciEd recommendation and added that they followed almost all of their recommendations. He said they have great professional development too.

Mr. Callaghan asked about the students that were flagged during the suicide screening and how many they were able to reach?

Ms. Morrison said that the entire 30% and they try and make the connections as soon as possible. She said the program works directly with the family.

Mr. Callaghan asked about the program from Wellesley that is earmarked from the state and if there has been an update from the state regarding funding?

Mrs. Goodman said she is not aware of any updates right now.

Mr. Charles asked what the students feedback is for OpenSciEd?

Ms. Morrison replied that it has been a good program for students who like to be hands on. Mr. Procacini added that it is a good idea to send a survey to the students.

Mr. McNeill asked about teacher feedback for their professional development needs.

Ms. Morrison replied there is feedback taken at the end of PD sessions and also surveys that go out across the district.

Ms. Stokes asked about OpenSciEd and how many lessons are there per unit?

Mr. Procacini said the amount of lessons differ by the unit. He said there are two units currently.

c. Superintendent's Presentation of Evaluation Evidence

****See presentation slides for detailed information***

Ms. Stokes shared a timeline of the process. She said Mr. Giguere would share his presentation of evidence tonight. She said the committee will then to work on their individual evaluations of Mr. Giguere.

Mr. Giguere shared his four approved goals and their standards:

- Completion of the new Superintendent Induction Program. Self Assessment: Met
- Multi-Tiered System of Supports. Self Assessment: Significant Progress
- Effective Entry and Direction Setting. Self Assessment: Significant Progress
- Facilitation of the Redistricting Analysis Process. Self Assessment: Met

Ms. Spencer asked for any comments/questions from the committee?

Mr. Callaghan asked Ms. Stokes about the timeline?

Ms. Stokes said to reflect on it in the next few days and give their individual ratings by 5/30/23 at 12pm. She said that information will be shared with the subcommittee at their 6/1/23 meeting. The subcommittee will gather all the information to present to SC at the 6/13/23 meeting. She said in the meantime to reach out to Mr. Giguere with any questions.

Mr. Giguere told the committee to send any questions they have over to him.

Ms. Bernstein asked if there was a way to better coordinate their questions to avoid many questions at once.

Mr. Giguere suggested emailing him and blind copying the rest of the committee.

There was deliberation amongst the committee how to handle the questions.

Ms. Stokes said for everyone to send questions by Friday at 1:00pm.

III. Discussion/Action Items

a. Interim Business Administrator

The Chair recommends approval of a 1 year contract with Dr. Robert Dutch as Interim School Business Administrator.

Motion: Ms. Stokes; Second: Mr. McNeill

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Camille Bernstein-Yes; Mr. David Callaghan-Yes;

Mr. Al Charles-Yes; Mr. David McNeill-Yes; Ms. Elise Stokes-Yes;

Ms. Meghan Whitmore-Yes; Ms. Denise Spencer-Yes

Motion Carries 7-0

b. Dissolve Redistricting Analysis Advisory Committee

I recommend that we dissolve the Redistricting Analysis Committee as discussed.

Motion: Ms. Stokes; Second: Mr. McNeill

Approve: 7 Oppose: 0

Motion Carries 7-0

IV. Discussion Only Items - there were none

V. Information Matters

a. School Committee Sub-Committee Reports

1. **Superintendent Evaluation** - Ms. Stokes said she can send the process in an email for anyone who would like to reference it.
2. **Budget** - next meeting 6/5/23
3. **Policy** - next meeting 6/21/23
4. **Community Relations** - N/A
5. **Space, Needs, and Facilities Assessment** - has not met

b. School Committee Liaison Reports

1. **Joint PCC** - met last week; talked through redistricting analysis, budget, end of year events.
2. **School Wellness Advisory Council** - next meeting 6/6/23
3. **SEPAC** - next board meeting 6/7/23
4. **Mental Health and Well-Being Task Force** - met a few weeks ago. Health fair upcoming on 5/24/23.
5. **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion** - next meeting 5/24/23

VI. Consent Agenda

a. Minutes

I recommend approval of the minutes of your May 9, 2023 School Committee meeting as detailed.

b. Transfers

I recommend approval of the budget transfers as detailed.

c. Keller Gift

I recommend acceptance of a check for \$600.00 from the Keller PCC for field trips as detailed.

d. Oak St. Gift

I recommend acceptance of a check for \$8,900.00 from the Oak St. PCC for field trips as detailed.

e. Parmenter Gifts

I recommend acceptance of two checks totaling \$1,230.00 from the Parmenter PCC for field trips as detailed.

f. JFK Gifts

I recommend acceptance of a check for \$246.55 from the JFK PCC for supplemental supplies as detailed.

g. Districtwide Gifts

I recommend acceptance of 3 checks totaling \$1,170.00 for districtwide gifts as follows:

Franklin Cultural Council	\$170.00	Supplemental Curriculum Materials
Special Olympics	\$500.00	In-house Enrichment
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h. FHS Gifts

I recommend acceptance of 2 checks totaling \$1,026.70 as follows:

Ohio pyle	\$26.70	Supplemental Supplies
Peter Baglioni	\$1,000.00	Scholarship

Motion: Ms. Stokes; Second: Mr. McNeill

Approve: 7 Oppose: 0

Motion Carries 7-0

VII. Citizen's Comments - there were none

VIII. New Business

To discuss any future agenda items

Mr. Giguere shared the anticipated items for the 6/13/23 meeting:

- Celebrating student's accomplishments
- Superintendent evaluation
- Recap of the FHS Spain trip
- 8th grade Civics projects
- Revised budget

IX. Ms. Spencer asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Ms. Stokes; Second: Mr. McNeill

Approve: 7 Oppose: 0s

Motion Carries 7-0

X. Adjournment at 8:58pm

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Tocci, Secretary

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Payroll Warrant #2323 Summary.pdf

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FPS Summary & Sign Off 052323.pdf

SC Warrant 050423.pdf

SC Warrant 051123.pdf

ASMS School Committee Presentation 2023.pdf

Discussion Action A - Interim SBA.pdf

Discussion Action B - Dissolve RAAC.pdf

Consent Action A - Minutes.pdf

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Consent Action B - Transfers.pdf
Consent Action C - Keller Gift.pdf
Consent Action D - Oak St. Gift.pdf
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