

Plainville School Committee Meeting
November 8, 2016
Regular Session

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Amy Abrams at 6:00 p.m. in the Wood School Learning Commons. Also present were Linn Caprarella, Maggie Clarke, Javed Iqbal, Charlene McEntee and Superintendent Raiche. The meeting was audio and video recorded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Linn Caprarella, seconded by Charlene McEntee to approve the October 25, 2016 Regular Session minutes. So voted.

MOTION by Linn Caprarella, seconded by Javed Iqbal to approve and hold the October 25, 2016 Executive Session minutes. So voted.

SHOWCASE

None.

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS AND FACULTY

None.

COMMUNICATIONS AND AUDIENCES

None.

COMMENDATIONS

None.

ITEMS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. King Philip School Committee-Mrs. McEntee

Mrs. McEntee reported that King Philip School Committee met last night. They reviewed:

- The King Philip section of *The Walker Report*
- The Director of Technology and Integration Specialist job description
- Various policies
- An overnight field trip for the ski club to Sunday River in Maine
- The King Philip Middle School's School Improvement Plan (presented by Principal, Dr. Susan Gilson) and
- Private music lessons

b. Negotiations Subcommittee-Mrs. Caprarella, Mrs. Clarke

Mrs. Caprarella said that the Committee will review and act upon the Custodian tentative agreement in Executive Session tonight.

c. Budget Subcommittee-Mrs. McEntee, Mrs. Abrams

Mrs. McEntee said the Budget Subcommittee met at 4:00 p.m. today and reviewed the status of FY17 account lines, forecasting for the FY18 school budget and the budget timeline.

d. Communications Subcommittee-Mrs. Abrams, Mr. Ikbal

Mr. Ikbal said the Communications Subcommittee met at 5:00 p.m. today and reviewed the digital display options for the foyers of both schools, discussed upgrading the district website, purchasing BoardDocs, and creating a long-term strategic plan.

e. Town Building Committee-Mrs. Clarke

Mrs. Clarke reported that the Town Building Committee is meeting every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. She was pleased to report that drawings have been created for the layout of the buildings as well as the style of the buildings and the location of a driveway/parking area between the new town building and the current library. In addition, demolition of the former Wood School seems to be the recommendation. This will eventually be a topic for town meeting.

RESIGNATIONS, TRANSFERS, APPOINTMENTS AND LEAVES

a. Appointment

Megan Martinsen, Supervisory Paraprofessional at Wood School

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Policy File ADF: Wellness Policy (2nd Vote Required)

MOTION by Linn Caprarella, seconded by Javed Ikbal, to approve Policy File ADF: Wellness, as presented. So voted.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Fundraising projects requested by Laurel Peter, Gr. 4 Teacher (Vote Required)

- Polar Plunge for Special Olympics on 2/27/17
- Homeroom Mitten Project

Mrs. Peter was in attendance at the meeting and she stated that the Polar Plunge was done last year and she would like to continue this school year, as it was quite successful. Last year, \$2,000 was raised.

In addition the Homeroom Mitten Project will be for students after school, and she is considering it as a grade-level project; the students make a mitten and then spend time choosing apparel with the funds raised. This apparel is donated to Cradles to Crayons. The students take a lot of pride in this project and it is voluntary.

MOTION by Maggie Clarke, seconded by Javed Iqbal, to approve the fundraisers as presented. So voted.

b. Approval: Revised FY2017 Line Item Budget Allocations (Vote Required)

Discussed what drove the changes to the line item budget allocations. Also mentioned was the anticipation of creating a “special education revolving account” in the future; this account would hold funds for potential out-of-district tuitions.

MOTION by Charlene McEntee seconded by Linn Caprarella to approve the revised FY2017 Line Item Budget Allocation as presented. So voted.

c. Policy File IJNDB: Internet, Network and Email Responsible Use Policy for Staff (Vote Required)

Lengthy discussion ensued.

- Superintendent Raiche said that the Plainville Education Association had two areas in the policy clarified prior to the policy coming to the school committee for a vote
- The manner in which students are identified—first name, first initial of last name; Mr. Clarke is concerned that since we are a small district, this manner does not lend itself to anonymity
- Under the area of Personally Owned Electronic Devices: “Student related information must not be stored on POEDs. POEDs are the sole responsibility of the device owner and must adhere to the following guidelines”. Lengthy discussion which included the number of surface tablets available for teacher use and teachers using POEDs for picture taking.

Mrs. Abrams ask that Attorney Waugh review this policy, in particular, review of the aforementioned sentence. In addition, she asked Mrs. Whitaker to inform the Committee at the next meeting, “How many surface tablets does the district own?”

MOTION by Charlene McEntee seconded by Linn Caprarella to approve Policy File IJNDB: Internet, Network and Email Responsible Use Policy for Staff as presented. Voted 4 in favor, 1 opposed (Clarke)

The policy will come to the Committee for a second vote of approval at the next meeting. The policy could be amended prior to a second vote.

d. MASC/MASS Annual Conference Debrief

Mrs. Abrams said it was an excellent conference this year. Mr. Iqbal was the delegate, and he said all the resolutions were approved. He attended two conferences on social/emotional learning and shared his thoughts on these presentations. Mrs. McEntee shared information on the workshops she attended, including one on civics in the classroom in which high school students spoke. Mr. Raiche presented a workshop on Professional Learning Communities to an audience of approximately 30 and Mrs. McEntee said it was well received. Mrs. Abrams enjoyed the workshops she attended—one on Building Blocks of Learning, School Law and

another on the King Philip Middle School program, LEAP, which the School Resource Officer at King Philip presented. Mr. Raiche also mentioned a workshop he attended about the development of a new accountability system—a comprehensive systems that utilizes many aspects of accountability for student learning. Approximately nine districts are involved in this project.

e. Legislative Update

Nothing.

f. Any item(s) not anticipated at the time of posting

- NSBA Conference

Mrs. Abrams said the National School Board Association’s annual conference is scheduled for March 25-27, 2017 in Colorado, and there is sufficient funding for two Committee members to attend. She asked that Committee members interested in attending, email her.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Amy Abrams, seconded by Charlene McEntee, to go into Executive session at 6:40 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining strategies which, if held in open session, might hurt the Committee’s bargaining position:

Roll Call Vote:

Amy Abrams	Yes
Linn Caprarella	Yes
Maggie Clarke	Yes
Javed Ikbal	Yes
Charlene McEntee	Yes

Returned from Executive session at 7:05 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

a. Custodian Contract

The Committee received a Tentative Agreement between the Plainville School Committee Negotiations Subcommittee and the Plainville Custodian Union for the period July1, 2016 – June 30, 2019.

Superintendent informed the Committee of one amendment to the tentative agreement.

MOTION by Charlene McEntee, seconded by Maggie Clarke, to approve a successor contract for the duration of July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019 between the Plainville School Committee and the Plainville Custodian Union that incorporates the changes contained in the tentative agreement aforementioned as well as the amended language inserted into Article IX, Section 6, “These items, **which may be selected from one or more pre-approved vendors**, shall be worn by all custodial employees while in the course of their employment and shirts bearing the words Plainville Public Schools must be worn.: So voted.

INFORMATION

There was no discussion on the following item listed in this agenda item: Enrollment, November 1, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Maggie Clarke, seconded by Javed Iqbal, to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. So voted.

Susan M. Rieger, Recording Secretary

Documents Used at the meeting:

- Agenda
- Minutes from October 25, 2016
- Appointment Memo
- Old Business: Memo and Policy File ADF, Wellness
- New Business:
 - Email from Laurel Peter requesting fundraisers
 - Memo for approval of the revised FY2017 Line Item Budget Allocations
 - Memo and Policy File IJNDB, Internet, Network and Email Responsible Use Policy for Staff
- Executive Session: memo and tentative agreement document for the Custodian Contract
- New Business: Tentative agreement for the Custodian Contract
- Information: Enrollment document for November 1, 2016