Franklin Board of Education

Regular Meeting December 11, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

Franklin Elementary School Media Center

206 Pond Road

MINUTES

The Mission of Franklin School is to provide a safe, nurturing, inspiring, and engaging environment through diverse learning experiences. Students are empowered to become creative, self-confident thinkers, problem solvers, communicators and collaborators who embrace life-long learning and become compassionate contributors to global society.

Members Present: Chairman Peter Calvert, Vice-Chair Scott Tracey,and Katherine Ericson, Judy Novosad, Kim Benjamin, Amy Konow

Members Absent: Peter Ballaro and a vacancy,

Others Present: Principal Greg Keith.

Call to Order: P. Calvert called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Recognition of Visitors: P. Calvert welcomed the visitors in the audience.
2. Additions to Agenda by Board Members: Add to after minutes, Presentation by FES Class of 2020. A. Konow motioned to add the agenda item. S. Tracy seconded. MOTION CARRIED
3. Consent Minutes: S. Tracy MOVED to approve the September minutes with the following changes: Correct spelling on Mrs. Novosad name and change the last part of the last sentence in paragraph 6.2 to “for school year 2019-20”. K. Benjamin SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED
4. The FES 8th Grade Class officers presented the itinerary for their trip to Washington D.C. A. Konow motioned to approve the 8th Grade Trip. S, Tracy seconded it. MOTION CARRIED
5. Strategic Plan Status.
   1. Some areas will be mentioned in the Principal’s report.
6. Old Business
   1. G. Keith explained the new format that includes revenue. Discussion continued about Green Valley School activities and the general impacts on the Cafeteria Fund.
7. Correspondence: None
8. Administration and Committee Reports Requiring Board Action:
   1. P. Calvert described the present duties of each of the existing Board Committees, J. Novosad volunteered to be the Relations and Information Chair, she will expand on last year’s reports on Town events. A. Konow volunteered to be the Technology Committee chair. There was a long discussion about Policy. No takers yet. S. Tracy noted that he and K, Benjamin are on the Ad Hoc Finance committee, to improve communications with the town and Board of Finance. This new committee was established by the BoF and is expected to last one year.
9. Superintendent Report: None
10. Principal’s Report: G. Keith reported on the music program and a new hire as a replacement. He also reported on student activities helping residents this winter and holiday season. They are supporting a food and clothing drive.
11. New Business: Discussion about having Music Teacher brief Board on accomplishments. Discussion on janitor hours, actions and locking building procedures, Discussion on paying tutoring for an expelled student
12. Committee Reports
    1. Chairman: None.
    2. Relations and Information: None
    3. Policy: None
    4. Technology: None
    5. Ad Hoc Finance sub Committee - None
13. Informational Inquiries by Board Members: None
14. Informational Inquiries by Staff and Public: None
15. Executive Session:
    1. J. Novosad motioned to go into Executive Session at 8:15, A. Konow Seconded. MOTION CARRIED
    2. J. Novosad motioned to go into Open Session at 8:49, A. Konow Seconded. MOTION CARRIED
16. As a result of the executive session:
    1. S. Tracy motioned that this Board accept and approve the settlement agreement, release and covenant not to sue subject to minor revisions by counsel and that this Board authorize the Superintendent of schools to execute said agreement. K. Benjamin seconded. MOTION CARRIED.
    2. A. Konow motioned that this Board approve and ratify the tentative agreement between the Teacher’s Union (FEA) and the Franklin Board of Education. K. Benjamin seconded. MOTION CARRIED.
    3. J. Novosad motioned to Adjourn, S. Tracy seconded. MOTION CARRIED Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 PM
17. **Next Scheduled** Meeting Date: **January 15, 2020**

Respectfully submitted by Peter Calvert; Notes from J. Novosad

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