

KING PHILIP REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Minutes
October 17, 2016
King Philip Regional High School – Library

CALL TO ORDER:

Mrs. Martin, Chair called the meeting to order at 7PM.

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Members Present:	Norfolk:	Michael Gee, Noelle Tonelli
	Plainville:	Ann-marie Martin, Patrick Francomano, Charlene McEntee
	Wrentham:	Erin DeStefano, Jim Killion, Lynn Desrochers
Members Absent:	Norfolk:	Jeff Chalmers
	Wrentham:	Present
	Plainville:	Present

The meeting is being videotaped by Wrentham Cable Access. Mrs. Martin explained that the public may visit the district's website at www.kingphilip.org to review informational documents pertaining to each school committee meeting. Videotaped meetings may be viewed in their entirety at www.wrenthamcableaccess.com Mrs. Martin also explained the procedure for public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed with an asterisk () are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion if action is required. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the committee so request, in which event the item will be considered in its normal sequence:*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Killion, to approve the Minutes of September 19, 2016 as presented. All in favor with Mrs. DeStefano and abstaining.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. McEntee, to approve the Minutes of October 3, 2016 as presented. All in favor.

PAYMENT OF BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Warrants/Budget Report/Budget Transfers

COMMUNICATION:

Appointments, Retirements, Resignations, etc.

In a memorandum dated October 17, 2016, Dr. Zielinski provide the Committee with an update on personnel changes.

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Killion, to approve and retain the Executive Session Minutes of September 19, 2016. All in favor with Mrs. DeStefano abstaining.

DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS:

Dr. Mobley, HS Principal

Unfinished Business (taken out of order):

Naming of HS Baseball Field:

In a memorandum dated October 13, 2016, Dr. Zielinski provided the School Committee with a letter from Mr. Weir supporting the application for Mr. Lombard. She also provided a copy of a ConnectEd message sent to the community on October 6, 2016. Dr. Zielinski indicated that no correspondence was received in response to ConnectEd or newspaper notification. There was also no one present at tonight's meeting to speak in opposition on the naming of the HS Baseball Field in honor of Mr. Lombard.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Killion, that the King Philip Regional School Committee approve the naming of the HS Baseball Field to the Gary F. Lombard Baseball Field, as presented. All in favor.**

The School Committee thanked Mr. Bill Rice and Mr. Patrick Weir. Mr. Gee said that Mr. Weir's letter was incredible and the nomination forms Mr. Rice submitted were compelling.

Mr. Rice thanked the School Committee for approving this well-deserved honor and recognized former colleagues and coaches who were present at the meetings: Mr. Carneiro, Mr. Moran, Mr. Weir, Mr. Gentili, Mr. Ruffing, Mr. Goldberg, and Mrs. Weir. Mr. Rice indicated that from this point, the group will be in touch with Mr. Schairer and Dr. Mobley, for all purposes other than signage and plaques which will need the approval of school committee.

New Business:

HS Overnight Field Trip: Wrestling

Mr. Schairer, was present to answer any questions from the School Committee re the Wrestling overnight trips to attend any state or national competitions. Mr. Schairer indicated that specific dates will not be available until a week before each final.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Francomano, to approve the attendance of the KPRHS Wrestling Team to attend Wrestling sectionals in the State Competition on February 18-19, 2017, All-States Competition on February 25-26, 2017 and New England tournaments on March 4-5, 2017, according to Policy IJOA, pending the superintendent's approval based upon notification by the Athletic Director of the standings. All in favor.**

Mr. Schairer stated that in an overview of King Philip's HS fall sports, every fall sport may be hosting an MIAA tournament which is very exciting, especially with the new turf field.

New Business:

Acceptance of HS Gifts:

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. McEntee, to accept the following donations to the King Philip Regional High School:**
 - 1. KP Hall of Fame donated 3 – 48" Vizio flat screen televisions to support the digital signage project through the student help desk;**
 - 2. KP Boosters donated 2 track record boards. All in favor.**

Dr. Mobley indicated that she will personally write thank you notes to the KP Hall of Fame and the KP Boosters on the School Committee's behalf.

HS SIP and highlights of school data and program review.

Dr. Mobley provided a review of graduation report for the Class of 2016 and school profile data where she indicated that students are scoring at high levels. The school profile data was provided for MCAS 2016 (MCAS 2016 scored proficient or higher and well above the state average), PSAT, SAT and ACT. Dr. Mobley also provided an Advanced Placement program review. Dr. Mobley highlighted "struggle areas" within the program of studies, and noted Physics C, which is an online course through VHS. Discussion ensued on online courses through VHS the course is not under our control and we have found success can depend on the instructor. She indicated that she is not impressed with the AP courses taken through VHS and is concerned that they do impact the GPA and class rank. Discussion ensued on having this in as enrichment rather than a course.

Dr. Mobley shared to a conversation that she had with a representative from Brown University. Brown offers a bio-statistics program that places importance on the SAT Writing scores as all applicants excel at science but must be able defend their work. Mr. Christie suggested offering AP Language Course during senior year as well as an option for junior year to better prepare students for SAT exam and college.

Discussion ensued on the school profile data and the changing SAT and PSAT tests

Dr. Mobley will provide the school committee with a memorandum on the National Merit Scholarship for the next meeting. (correspondence)

Dr. Zielinski noted that the state is implementing MCAS 2.0. Dr. Gilson will be speaking to the school committee at a future meeting on the PARCC testing results.

HS School Improvement Plan:

Dr. Mobley referred to Action Plan Goal #5, specific focus on program review and improvement on two schoolwide programs:

Program #1: The Science department review of curriculum is underway to maintain progression and revamp at both the HS and the MS to support the new science standards. Dr. Gilson will work with the elementary districts to look at the curriculum as middle school standards begin at grade 6 .

Mr. Francomano asked when the Committee will get a report back to see the results of this discussion and collaboration of all the districts. Dr. Zielinski indicated that she meets with the 3 superintendents on a regular basis and can provide this information, but the new frameworks and science standards just came out. This would depend on how each district rolls out the new Science standards.

Dr. Mobley indicated that this has budget implications, The elementary representatives have been asked to ask their school committee to discuss this at their level.

Mrs. Meyer, HS Science teacher, said that quite a lot of work was done at the last professional development day to get a plan together and Mrs. Lambert will push forward to get this done. She also indicated that this was the best professional development day ever.

Dr. Zielinski noted that for PreK-12, Mrs. Carneiro and Mr. DeWolfe worked with the 3 elementary districts in Arts and Music on the full-day professional development day in October.

Program #2: – Freshman Transition Program. Review of the program and revamp the program to create an environment at KPRHS that better assists 9th grade students in managing the transition to the KPRHS. Dr. Mobley intends to send team to Holliston do some program analysis and see if a similar program could be implemented at KP.

✚ **A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Gee, to accept the 2016/2017 HS School Improvement Plan as presented. All in favor.**

REPORTS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

❖ Norfolk School Committee Representative: None

❖ Plainville School Committee Representative - Mrs. McEntee: Discussion was held on the PARCC results, an overview of Plainville's section of the Walker Report, the Committee voted to vote against Question 2.

Dr. Zielinski indicated that Ms. Lacher will be present at the November 7, 2016 school committee meeting when the Walker's Partnership Review will be held by the King Philip Regional School Committee. Mrs. Martin noted that the meeting of the chairs will be held on November 10 at 6pm at the Delaney School in Wrentham.

❖ Wrentham School Committee Representative - Mrs. DeStefano: Dr. Cameron is working on updating report cards, roll out professional development which was very productive, "NED" assembly "never give up, encourage others and do your best", Goddard playground dedication.

❖ HS Student Council Representative: Miss Sheehan

KP Cares

KP Cares hosted another "Paint the School Pink" Event in which the entire school honored those with breast cancer by wearing pink clothing. Photos are available on the KP Cares Twitter.

Student Council

Spirit Week was last week, with Pep Rally on October 7th.

Monday: America Monday

- Tuesday: "Paint the School Pink" - "Beat cancer"
- Wednesday: Decades Day
- Thursday: Class Color Day
- Friday: KP Color Day

At this year's pep rally, the King Philip Concert and Symphony Bands played while other students filed into the bleachers. The seniors did their annual "senior" run out onto the field. All Varsity Sport Captains and Marching Band Drum Majors were honored.

The Homecoming Dance occurred on October 8th, 2016. This year's dance theme was Black & White. Over 400 guests attended.

The make-up date for the "Back to School Bash" which is now being referred to as the "Halloween Bash" will occur on October 22nd. The movie *Halloween Town* will be showed and cider and donuts will be for sale.

Student Council's annual *Spooktacular* event has been moved to October 29th, 4:00-6:30PM.

Student Government

Student Government assisted the Student Council in showing school spirit- each class hallway was decorated for both class color day, in addition to the pep rally.

COMMUNICATION:

KP In the News: *KP DECA Open 2016*, written by B. Cloutier;

DECA Invitation to Initiation Ceremony;

Murphy, Hesse: Invitation to MASC/MASS Reception;

Budget & Finance Subcommittee: Approved Minutes of 9/9/16

Plainville School Committee Invitation to attend their School Committee meeting on December 13 at 4pm.

- Mrs. Martin asked that member please let us know who will be attending with her.
- Dr. Zielinski – received a PowerPoint from DESE on ESEA Legislation to be used as a reference point or background information.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Future Ready Schools Update:

Dr. Zielinski provided the School Committee an update in a memorandum dated October 13, 2016 on the Future Ready Schools. The audit report will be available for the next meeting on November 7, 2016. The members decided that this report will be sent electronically via email and look at it via a device as it is 61 pages. There are 7 areas/gears and strengths and weaknesses. At the next meeting, the focus will be on 2 specific areas and then build them up as this is a work in progress.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

FY17 Budget Update: Line Item Budget: Mr. Caliento

Mr. Caliento noted in a memorandum dated October 13, 2016, the changes to FY17 budget detail that are summarized in the documentation and explanations are outlined in the document.

Mrs. McEntee indicated that she appreciated the transparency.

Mr. Francomano said that if there are any suggestion for changes, to please let the Committee know.

Mr. Caliento said that the previously discussed increase of \$186,000 due to increase in state aid is now in effect as the window for the towns to address the change has passed.

Mr. Francomano referred to the \$12,000 increase to the data specialist salary line item and that he has problem supporting this budget and that goes to the issue of transparency. This move was made without committee input, has policy implications, and to increase a salary from \$53K to \$65K without consulting the school committee as a whole, he takes issue with it and cannot support the budget.

Mrs. Desrochers asked if there are 2 crossing guards? Dr. Zielinski said that this is the parking lot recommendation. There is no one appointed yet to this position under safety and security.

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Gee, seconded by Mr. Killion, to move to approve the FY line item budget. Majority vote - Yes (7); No (1) - Mr. Francomano opposed.

Individual Employment Contract Approval: Director of Finance & Operations

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mrs. Tonelli, to approve as a matter of protocol, the signed and executed individual employment contract of Mr. Caliento as the Director of Finance & Operations. All in favor.

2016 Policy Updates as listed below – (1st Reading):

Dr. Zielinski told the Committee that the recommended policy on Opioids policy and the district attorney's policy will be given to the Policy Subcommittee for their review as this will need to be looked at in a timely manner. The district's harassment policy will also need to be looked at by the Policy Subcommittee. Upon the Policy Subcommittee's review and recommendations, they will be presented to the full committee.

2016 Policy Updates as listed below – (1st Reading) were reviewed and will be presented for a 2nd reading on November 7, 2016:

- Policy File: AC – Nondiscrimination
- Policy File: IJ – Instructional Materials
- Policy File: JB – Equal Educational Opportunities
- Policy File: JBA – Student-to-Student Harassment
- Policy File: JFBB - School Choice
- Policy File: JJ/JJ-E – Co-curricular and Extra-curricular activities
- Policy File: GBEC – Drug-free workplace
- Policy File: IHAMB – Teaching about Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco
- Policy File: JICH – Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use by Students Prohibited
- Policy File: JLCD – Administering Medicines to Students
- Policy File: JJF – Student Activity Accounts
- Policy File: KF – Community Use of School Facilities

Policy File FF-E: Naming and Dedicating School Facilities: Mrs. McEntee, Chair of the Policy Subcommittee, wanted FF-E as part of the policy for the record.

Mr. Francomano commented that community members may also submit other names and making this into a contest in the naming of facilities. Discussion ensued on language changes to FF-E to make it clear on the procedure if there are any objections or the submission of other names. Mrs. McEntee feels this should be there that it happens so infrequent that it should be listed and is integral to the policy and exemplifies of what the policy is. Tabled to 2nd meeting in November.

LATE COMMUNICATIONS

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

- ✚ A Motion was made by Mr. Francomano, seconded by Mr. Killion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. All in favor by roll call vote: Yes (8); No (0).

Respectfully submitted,

*Lisa B. Witkus
Secretary to the School Committee*