

**MAYNARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MINUTES OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
COOLIDGE SCHOOL  
MAY 13, 2010**

Present: William Kohlman, Mary Brannelly, Amy Rebecca Gay, Mark Howrey, Phil Berry (Absent)

Administrators: Mark Masterson, Robert Brooks, Bernadette McLaughlin

The Chair opened the meeting a few minutes after 7:00 p.m.

School Improvement Council Reports

The Green Meadow Principal, Bernadette McLaughlin, introduced her School Improvement Council members: Jen Lilley, Teacher; Jessica Alderman, Community Member; Tracey Fowler, Parent; Nance Messina, teacher; and Ann Duddy, Teacher. Mrs. McLaughlin then highlighted the past year's work of the Council (report attached) including:

Professional development efforts in literacy and math; continued focus on security and creating a nurturing environment to promote optimum learning. There was a brief discussion regarding expanded parking to improve safety. The Committee members agreed to raise the issue with the Selectmen this summer.

The Fowler Principal, Mr. Robert Brooks then thanked the members of his Council, Matt Dichard, Ellen Duggan, Dan Charbonneau, Marie Kulowski, Rita Murphy and Tammy Peralta. Bob reviewed the work (confer attached report) of his Council, including: grading, budget, improved parent communication regarding 8<sup>th</sup> grade math and survey data. The Committee asked the Superintendent to report on plans to paint the Fowler this summer.

Following his presentation the Committee the Principals engaged in a brief conversation regarding budget limitations. Everyone agreed budget building was a priority following the passage of the new High School.

Foreign Exchange Student

Resident Kelli Kirshtein requested permission to have a Kazakstan student, Ayna, attend Maynard High School next year. The Committee discussed its practice of charging tuition for typical exchange students versus accepting w/out tuition scholarship students supported by federal foreign aid programs. The Committee thanked Ms. Kirshtein, and expressed interest in meeting Ayan.

Voted 4-0: "to accept Ms. Kirshtein's foreign exchange student from Kazakstan without tuition for the 2010-11 school year at MHS."

Policies

The Policies were postponed to the next meeting, May 27, 2010

Minutes

The minutes of April 29, 2010 were passed, 4-0.

There was a brief discussion regarding whether or not a policy was needed to limit High School varsity teams to players on grades 10-12. The Superintendent was asked to invite the Athletic Director to the next meeting.

At 9:10 p.m.the Committee voted unanimously via a roll call vote to enter into executive session, under Chap. 39, S23B(3), to discuss negotiations, not to reenter open session.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Mark R. Masterson  
Superintendent of Schools