

**MAYNARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Minutes of School Committee Meeting**  
**September 14, 2006**

Present: W. Kohlman, A. Pratt, M. Brannelly, B. Smith, P. Howes  
Administrators: M. Masterson

The Chair opened the work session at 4:36PM, and asked Paul to run the goal work session. Paul asked each member to identify one major wish/goal they would like to accomplish.

In no particular order:

- Renovate/replace the HS facility and GM.
- Create more community confidence in the High School.
- Change negative impression of schools.
- Demonstrable personnel accountability
- Retirement replacement plan
- Eliminate extra-curricular fees.

Next Paul then asked members to identify specific, measurable objectives:

- Streamline(?) curriculum management
- Expand MS Foreign Language
- Improve MS scheduling issues, e.g. Band
- Expand classroom technology integration
- Prepare for Science MCAS
- Address NEASC HS Probation
- Best Practice Org. (?)

Mark attempted to capture the SC concerns and a Vision of excellence by reference to three categories:

1. Facilities, not including grounds.
2. Extra-curricular
3. Academic
  - Curriculum (What)
  - Pedagogy (How)
  - Climate (Environment)

He argued that the SC/Supt leadership team (since '02) had focused almost solely on curriculum, had ignored facilities (until March '06, but now the District is very much on track) and had only preserved extra-curricular activities (no focus on improvement). He believes appropriate curriculum efforts are happening and that there is now a focus on pedagogy. He intends to advance in the spring some climate assessments. From his perspective, that leaves the SC/Supt team to focus more attention on the extra-curricular program. What would a first rate extracurricular program look like? How would it be led?

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,

Mark R. Masterson  
Superintendent of Schools