

MAYNARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes of School Committee Meeting
Coolidge Schools
October 18, 2006

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

Chairman's Report

Mr. Kohlman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence for Mr. Louis Elliott, a 7th grade teacher who had died suddenly the previous day.

Dr. Masterson reported to the Committee that Mr. Elliott had served in the District since 1977. He told the Committee he would be at Fowler during the service the following day to assist with class coverage as the Principal would be leading a delegation of staff.

Professional Learning Committee Report

Laurie Edgar and Steve Caloggero reported on the progress of the Professional Learning Community (PLC) efforts at the High School. The faculty had voted to participate in PLC training to focus on student needs, to elicit strengths of various teachers regarding specific student issues, and to form effective study teams.

Facility Advisory Council Report

Jerry Culbert, Chair of the Facilities Advisory Council made a presentation outlining the work of the Council to date, cf. attached. He emphasized the importance of keeping the Finance Committee and the Selectmen informed via the liaisons as the process moved forward. Committee members asked a series of questions and were very appreciative of his leadership.

He encouraged members to attend the 10/25 Facilities Advisory Council meeting at Fowler.

Business / Actions

Policies (2nd reading)

- #13 Program Accessibility in All School/Facilities
- #14 Equal Educational Employment Opportunity
- #15 Professional Workplace Environments/Educational Environment
- #202 Organization of Administration
- #205 School Building Administration
- #250 Borrowing of School Equipment
- #271 Searches, Police Agreement
- #351 Grants

The Committee voted 5-0 to reaffirm, with minor amendments, this second reading of these policies.

Fees

Gate Admissions - After an historical review of gate receipts practice in relation to fees, the Committee reached a consensus not to change their policy voted on 2/2/2006. The Chair directed the administrators to implement the School Committee policy not to charge Maynard students for admission to athletic events.

Minutes

The minutes of September 21, 2006 and both the October 5, 2006 work session and the regular meeting of October 5, 2006 were approved, 4-0-1.

There was a request to have Dr. Mayer present our MCAS results at our next televised meeting on November 16, 2006.

The School Committee meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m. by unanimous roll call vote to Executive Session; M. Brannelly (Yes); B. Smith (Yes); A. Pratt (Yes); P. Howes (Yes); W. Kohlman (Yes).

Respectfully submitted,

Mark R. Masterson
Superintendent of Schools