

**MAYNARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**MINUTES OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**COOLIDGE SCHOOL**  
**DECEMBER 6, 2007**

Present: W. Kohlman, A. Pratt, M. Brannelly, B. Smith (P. Berry Absent)  
Administrators: M. Masterson, D. Mayer, P. DiCicco

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Student Report

WAVM Beacon Telethon begins Friday, December 7.

Football team had their first season victory Thanksgiving Day against Clinton. The basketball and hockey teams are practicing for the winter season to begin the week of December 10.

Spirit week was a success with excellent involvement from all grades. The Penny-war fundraiser for Andre raised over \$500.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Masterson introduced to the School Committee members, Mr. Arthur Dulong, as the new Interim High School Principal, beginning in January and going through June 2008. Mr. Dulong recently retired from Concord-Carlisle after several years as High School Principal there.

Budget work session

Committee members discussed the range of requests presented at the previous meeting and requested a review of requests totaling to \$13, 995,000, and increase of approximately \$683,700 over level-service for the next meeting, 12/21.

The Facilities presentation began @ 8:10 p.m.

Present: Mark Howrey, Ken Neuhauser, Anthony Midey, Matt Briggs, Jerry Culbert

- An 18 slide presentation to the SC with the goal of delivering a strong message of open issues with NEASC, MSBA and technical facilities potential projects. A brief discussion was also held about the loss of MSBA funding during this 1<sup>st</sup> round.
- As the presentation progressed it was evident that the additional audience of Maynard residents was concerned about the approach the FAC was taking with regard to the 3 potential resolutions to the HS facilities problems. The interaction between the FAC, School Committee and residents was good, engaging and in the end very helpful to the FAC for future planning.
- Options of 1. a new school, 2. Repair, renovate and addition, 3. Repairs only were discussed with pros and cons being attached to each. In addition "rationalization" was added to the mix and discussed at length.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark R. Masterson  
Superintendent of Schools