

FALMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FALMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS School Committee Minutes
 School Committee Meeting
 May 7, 2019
 Coonamessett Inn
 Gifford Street
 Falmouth MA
 Downstairs, Garden Room
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM



Members Present:	John Furnari
Terri Medeiros, Chair	
Kelly Welch, Vice-Chair	Lori Duerr, Superintendent
Melissa Keefe, Secretary	Patrick Murphy, Director of Finance and Operations
Leah Palmer	Sonia Tellier, Assistant Superintendent
Meghan Fleck	Joan Woodward, Director of Student Services
Bill Rider	
Natalie Kanellopoulos	Sharon Reid, Recording Secretary
Andrea Thorrold	Steve Withrow, The Enterprise (Press)

OPEN MEETING

HEARD Terri Medeiros open the meeting at 4:30 PM

MOTION by Melissa Keefe to move into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. **SECONDED** by Kelly Welch. Roll Call Vote. **UNANIMOUS.**

Meeting re-opened at 5:00 PM

HEARD Terri Medeiros read the recording statement. Steve Withrow from the Enterprise stated he would be recording for reporting purposes.

HEARD Dr. Duerr read student comments from the “Fish Bowl.”

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

PRESENTATION of East Falmouth PTO

HEARD Heather Goldstone, PTO Project Chair at East Falmouth School, update the School Committee on the Outdoor Learning Space. Ms. Goldstone reviewed the following topics:

- Goals and Vision
- Current status
- Timeline and Community Involvement
- Requested DPW involvement

HEARD the Committee thank Ms. Goldstone for all her hard work on this project.

PRESENTATION of Student Services Partnerships

HOLD. This agenda item will be moved to the May 21, 2019 meeting.

FIRST READ Policy KHB – advertising in the schools

HEARD Sonia Tellier state that a draft policy has been created for both advertising in the schools and NO advertising in the schools. Ms. Tellier suggests they read both options and vote at the May 21, 2019 meeting.

ACT on Road Race Donation

HEARD Lori Duerr state that the Falmouth Road Race, Inc. has offered to replace the track at the High School. Scott Ghelfi and Jeff Nickerson attended the meeting to speak to the Committee about the donation. Mr. Ghelfi stated that the Road Race gives back to the town in many ways including student scholarships, grants, and donations. He gave a brief history of the track and explained that it was in need of replacing and the Road Race would donate the work to have it replaced. A local engineer has been secured and will work with the school administration, as well as the school committee through the process. The project will take approximately ten (10) weeks.

MOTION by Leah Palmer to accept the donation from the Falmouth Road Race, Inc. to refurbish/replace the track at Falmouth High School with a cost of approximately \$500,000. SECONDED by John Furnari. DISCUSSION. Currently the track is called the “James Kalperis Track.” The name will remain the same. VOTE. UNANIMOUS.

ACT on Carousel of Light

MOTION by Kelly Welch to accept the grant of license for the Carousel of Light. SECONDED by Leah Palmer. DISCUSSION. Mr. Furnari recommends that the dates be changed to when school is out of session only. VOTE. Eight in FAVOR. One OPPOSED (Mr. Furnari). MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION by Leah Palmer to accept the Superintendent’s Summative Evaluation. SECONDED by Kelly Welch. UNANIMOUS.

Conduct Routine Business

MOTION by Kelly Welch to approve the minutes of 4/23/2018. SECONDED by Melissa Keefe. UNANIMOUS.

Superintendent Update

HEARD Superintendent Duerr report on the following activities:

- Continue working with the Science Community. Representative Vieira arranged a meeting with the head of the science institutions. These will become a regular occurrence.
- Dr. Tellier hosted Quills and Quotes. Congratulated to our own *Enterprise* reporter, Steve Withrow, for his participation. It was a wonderful evening.
- Hosted another *Superintendent Coffee* on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the Administration Building. These gatherings are for folks to come in and share their thoughts and ideas.
- Attended a *Legislative* meeting on Friday May 3, 2019 at the Barnstable High School. The topic was school funding.
- Went to the school play “*Little Shop of Horrors.*”
- Had many *Staff Recognitions* these past couple of weeks. Principal’s Day, Teacher’s Day, and Nurse’s Day.

- Reminder of upcoming events
 1. Graduation – June 1, 2019
 2. Flag Day 5K – June 16, 2019
 3. In Plain Sight Trailer – Next School Committee Meeting May 21, 2019

Report from the Chair

HEARD Terri Medeiros inform the group that all school committee members are invited to graduation. If they plan on attending, please RSVP to Sharon Reid.

HEARD Melissa Keefe state that it was Nurse’s Week. School Nurse’s day is tomorrow, May 8, 2019.

HEARD Melissa Keefe remind everyone of the East Falmouth June Jog scheduled for June 2, 2019.

HEARD John Furnari state that the Cape Cod Collaborative is still recruiting for an Operations Manager.

HEARD Mr. Rider remind everyone that the Road Race is August 18, 2019.

MOTION by Melissa Keefe to adjourn. SECONDED by Meghan Fleck. UNANIMOUS.

ADJORN: 5:56 PM

The following documents were included in the School Committee packet of May 7, 2019. Hard copies can be found in the Superintendent’s Office or electronic copies on-line at the Town’s website:

www.falmouthmass.us/AgendaCenter

1. *East Falmouth Elementary Outdoor Learning Space Powerpoint*
2. *Office of Student Services Powerpoint*
3. *Policy KHB: Advertising in School*
4. *Falmouth Road Race Letter dated 5/2/2019*
5. *Carousel of Light Grant of License 2019*
6. *Draft Minutes 4/23/2019*
7. *Superintendent Briefing 5/7/2019*
8. *Bill Schedule 4/1/19-4/30/19*

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Keefe

Minutes Approved: May 21, 2019