

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALL RIVER SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Monday, January 8, 2018

5:30 PM

Morton Middle School Auditorium  
1135 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720

## AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Salute to the Flag
3. Citizens Input
4. Recognition Awards
5. Superintendent's Report
6. Approval of Minutes
7. Committee of the Whole
8. Request for Executive –
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL Administrators and Employees represented by the Fall River Administrators' Association.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL professional teaching employees of the Fall River School System including coaches, Title I, teachers, nurses, occupational behavioral and physical therapists, Physical Therapy Assistant, Licensed Practical Nurses, Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants, School Administrative Managers, and specialists in the teaching profession represented by the Fall River Educators' Association.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL maintenance employees of the Fall River School System represented by the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1118.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL custodial employees of the Fall River School System represented by American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1118.

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- M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL cafeteria employees of the Fall River School System represented by American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1118.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL school safety/security officers of the Fall River School System represented by American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1118.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL paraprofessional employees of the Fall River School System represented by the Fall River Federation of Paraprofessionals.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL civil service clerical employees of the Fall River School System represented by The Fall River Department of Civil Service Clerical Employees Association.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL government program employees, including without limitation paraprofessionals, parent workers, and clerks, of the Fall River School System that are paid from Federal/State Grants and represented by Fall River Public Schools Government Programs.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2): To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel and/or to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel including Jolene Smith, Human Resources Coordinator.
  - M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(7): To review and approve Executive Session Committee Minutes for the December 11, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee.
9. New Business: Topics for discussion that could not reasonably be anticipated by the Chairman forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting
10. Addendum

**CITIZENS INPUT**

This agenda item allows time for public comment on topics related to the Agenda. The Committee would like the opportunity to hear the wishes and ideas of the public. Although this is not a time for discussion, the School Committee appreciates public input and may refer such comments to administration for appropriate follow-up.

**RECOGNITION AWARDS**

There are no Recognition Awards at this time.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Superintendent to share letters of recognition, commendation, or other news associated with Fall River Public Schools.

- Superintendent’s Evaluation Mid-Year Update
- FY19 Budget Priorities
- New Durfee Project Update

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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**TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Health and Physical Education District K-12 Coordinator, Michele Sharpe, requests permission for STAFF travel:

Destination	Burlington, VT
Workshop Name/Objective(s)	SHAPE America Conference – The objectives of this conference is to stay up-to-date on best practices in curriculum and instruction; gather information on the latest instructional and assessment tools; and learn instructional techniques, activities, and assessment ideas for students with disabilities.
# of Participants	1
Date(s)	January 28-30, 2018
Departure/Return Time	Saturday, January 27 Departure; Wednesday, January 31 Return
Means of Transportation	Driving self
Cost	Teacher has SHAPE Membership - \$165 conference fee Lodging – \$360 Mileage \$281.96 TOTAL: \$806.96
Funding Source(s)	Physical Education Travel Account

Doran Community School Principal, Eric Bradley, requests permission for travel:

Destination	Providence College vs. Seton Hall (Men’s Basketball) Dunkin Donuts Center – Providence, RI
Objective(s) of the Trip	Reward scholar athletes for their hard work and determination
Class/Club/Grade	Middle School Boys’ and Girls’ Basketball teams
# of Adult Chaperones	5
# of Students	25
Date(s)	February 21, 2018
Departure/Return Time	Departure – 6:45pm; Return – 9:45pm
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost Per Student	Bus cost \$200 Tickets \$12 per person
Funding Source(s)	Game tickets donated by Kevin Connolly from Providence College; fundraising for transportation cost

Morton Middle School Principal, Sheryl Patterson, requests permission for travel:

Destination	New England Open Cheer Competition East Haven High School – East Haven, CT
Objective(s) of the Trip	To showcase Morton Spirit and compete against other New England Cheer squads
Class/Club/Grade	Morton Cheerleaders Grades 6-8
# of Adult Chaperones	3
# of Students	26
Date(s)	February 24, 2018
Departure/Return Time	Departure – 6:30AM; Return – 7:30PM
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost Per Student	No cost
Funding Source(s)	School fundraising (\$575 for transportation)

Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests permission for travel:

Destination	Mystic Aquarium
Objective(s) of the Trip	The students on the Green Team would like to increase their understanding of marine wildlife, human impacts on the environment and conservation efforts. Mystic Aquarium would be a great experience and an opportunity to learn and have fun.
# of Adult Chaperones	2
# of Students	30-40
Date(s)	March 7, 2018
Departure/Return Time	Departure- 8:00AM/Return – 3:30PM
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost Per Student	\$25 (includes admission and bus)
Funding Source(s)	Students pay their own way

Tansey Elementary School Principal, Chris Audette, requests permission for travel:

Destination	New York City
Objective(s) of the Trip	Elementary School Capstone Experience
Class/Club/Grade	Grade 5
# of Adult Chaperones	60
# of Students	60 (1:1 student to guardian)
Date(s)	June 8, 2018
Departure/Return Time	6:00AM leave Tansey; 10:00PM arrive back at Tansey
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost Per Student	\$55
Funding Source(s)	School fundraising

#### **DONATIONS**

- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fall River Public Schools, requests acceptance of a \$15,000 donation from MEDITECH. This donation will be used at the discretion of the Fall River Public Schools for the advancement of technology and technology instruction.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Watson Elementary School Principal, Cathy Carvalho, requests acceptance of a donation of 250 coats totaling \$5,760 from the Fall River Fire Department and their union (IAFF1314). This donation will provide all Watson Elementary School students with a new winter coat as well as 20 extra coats for any new student who is assigned to Watson.

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- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Health and Physical Education District K-12 Coordinator, Michele Sharpe, requests acceptance of a \$3,000 donation from Game Change. This donation will be used to provide training/mentorship for select student leaders at Henry Lord Community School.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fall River Elementary School principals, requests a donation of \$2,500 from Dr. Edward Costar. This donation will be used for the elementary schools' basketball referees.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests acceptance of a \$1,500 donation from Dr. Edward Costar. This donation will be used to help launch "Peace Core – Red and Black," a newly formed boys' group.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Henry Lord Community School Principal, Aimee Bronhard, requests acceptance of a \$1,000 donation from United Neighbors of Fall River/Community Connections Coalition. This donation will be used to support the launch and implementation of the new TRUCE Center.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fall River Elementary School principals, requests acceptance of cold weather clothing items totaling \$700 from Niagara Neighborhood Group Representative Alan Silvia and Attorney Dave Dennis. These items will be distributed to elementary school students.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Executive Director of Special Education and Student Services, Lisa Moy, requests acceptance of a \$500 donation from BayCoast Bank. This donation will be used for the middle school adaptive physical education students for a field trip to the AMF Somerset Bowling Lanes.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Watson Elementary School Principal, Cathy Carvalho, requests acceptance of a \$395 donation from Senator Michael Rodrigues. This donation will be used to pay for 49 Grade 1 students, their classroom teachers, and classroom paraprofessionals to go to the Fall River Children's Museum.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Spencer Borden Elementary School Principal, Kate Cobb, requests acceptance of a 2017 Acer Flagship HD Premium Chromebook totaling \$194.99 from Donors Choose. This donation will be used for Ms. Martin's classroom project called "Leap Into 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning."
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests acceptance of a used Chromebook totaling \$100 from Whitney Nielsen. This donation will be used to support interactive learning in social studies.

**CONTRACTS**

***CONTRACTS FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVAL, January 8, 2018***

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>FUNDING SOURCE &amp; AMOUNT</b>
<b><i>FACILITIES &amp; OPERATIONS</i></b>		
Cape Cod Collaborative	Special Education Transportation	Transportation-\$105,800.00
Van Pool Transportation	Special Education Transportation	Transportation-\$11,795.00

<b>GRANT CONTRACTS</b>		
American Institutes for Research	2017-2018 Monitoring Site Visits for Talbot Middle School	Strategic Support Grant-\$24,000.00
Futures Healthcore	Speech Services to Fall River Catholic Schools	SPED Parentally Placed Catholic Schools Grant-\$20,944.00
Looney Math Consulting	Instructional Coaching Services to Fall River Catholic Schools	SPED 94-142-\$22,500.00
<b>SPECIAL NEEDS CONTRACTS</b>		
Dr. Brian Rachmaciej	Clinical Psychologist for SPED	Operating Budget-SPED-\$45,000.00

**GRANTS**

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Grant Name	Funding	Duration	Amount	Grant Director
FY18 231 Leading Educational Access Program Grant	Federal	12/20/2017-08/31/2018	\$ 5,000.00	Lisa Moy
FY18 400 Perkins Grant	Federal	11/10/2017-06/30/2018	\$ 111,037.00	Raymond Medeiros
FY18 323Q Strategic Support to Specific Underperforming Schools and Districts Grant	Federal	11/30/2017-06/30/2018	\$ 128,000.00	Julia Carlson
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 244,037.00</b>	

**DISCUSSIONS**

1. **Vote to Approve:** Election of Vice-Chairperson of the Fall River School Committee. (Policy BDA: Nominations for the office of Vice-Chairperson will be made from the floor. The Vice-Chairperson will be elected by a majority roll-call vote of the members present and voting.)
2. **Appointment:** 2018 Subcommittee Appointments, *as presented by Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II.*
3. **Presentation:** Transportation Audit Report, *as presented by Dr. Richard Labrie, Senior Associate, Futures*
4. **Vote to Approve:** Statement of Interest for Westall and Resiliency Preparatory Academy, *as presented by Mr. Kenneth Pacheco, Chief Operating Officer*
5. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Student Delegate Agenda Item Process, *as presented by School Committeeman Mark Costa*
6. **Vote to Refer:** The discussion of student registration and student assignment to the Policy Subcommittee.
7. **Vote to Approve:** Year-to-Date Budget Report, *as presented by Mr. Kevin Almeida, Chief Financial Officer*

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

**RETIREMENTS:**

Name	Position	Effective
Susan Ayers	Teacher, Greene Elementary School	06/30/2018
Cheryl Campos	Teacher, Durfee High School	06/30/2018

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Nancy McCloskey	Field Supervisor in Nutrition, Fall River Public Schools	06/30/2018
Karen Souza	Music Teacher, Fall River Public Schools	06/30/2018
Gail Sowersby	Teacher, Silvia Elementary School	06/30/2018

**RESIGNATIONS:**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Effective</i>
Ronald Aguiar	Paraprofessional, Resiliency Preparatory Academy	12/22/2017
Alexander Araujo	Safety Officer, Talbot Middle School	01/05/2018
Michael Bernier	Teacher, Morton Middle School	12/22/2017
Megan Bouchard	Clerk, Viveiros Elementary School	12/29/2017
Susan Rodrigues	Paraprofessional, Watson Elementary School	12/22/2017
Kimberly Silva	Paraprofessional, Silvia Elementary School	12/21/2017
Kaitlyn Vanada	Teacher, Durfee High School	12/31/2017

**APPOINTMENTS:**

<i>Name/Address</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Effective</i>	<i>Salary/Certifications</i>
Ms. Lindsay Letourneau 57 Bank Street Attleboro, MA 02703	Kindergarten Teacher Spencer Borden Elementary School	01/02/18	\$45,817 per annum Bachelor's Degree +15, Step 3 Early Childhood (PreK-2)
Ms. Kim Moniz 499 Hardwood Place Boca Raton, FL 33431	ESL Teacher Viveiros Elementary School	01/02/18	\$70,575 per annum Bachelor's Degree +15, Step 12 English as a Second Language (PreK-6)
Mr. Zachary Roberts 58 Bryan Street Fall River, MA 02724	Music Teacher Greene Elementary School	01/02/18- 04/02/18	\$40,982 per annum Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Ms. Mary Silva 1033 New Boston Road Fall River, MA 02720	Special Education Community-Based Math Teacher, Kuss Middle School	12/11/17	\$41,563 per annum Bachelor's Degree +15, Step 1
Ms. Kayla Vincelette 106 Gardners Neck Road Swansea, MA 02777	PreK Paraprofessional Letourneau Elementary School	01/02/18	\$14.92 per hour Bachelor's Degree, Step 6

**DEATH NOTICES:**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position(s) Held</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
Marie (Miles) Beckett	Principal of Wiley School	12/05/2017
Ruth (Sullivan) Dussault	Educator, Fall River Public Schools	12/09/2017
Teresa Fillippi	Cafeteria Worker, Fall River Public Schools	12/22/2017
Nancy R. Manville	Administrative Assistant, Henry Lord	12/19/2017
Virginia (Levesque) Riley	Nurse, Fall River School Department	01/02/2018
Armarinda (Almeida) Soares	Cafeteria Worker, Fall River Public Schools	12/28/2017



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