# **FAYETTE SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING**

Thursday, April 12, 2018 - 6:30 P.M. - FCS Library

## **Meeting Minutes**

- 1. **Call To Order –** Chairlady Wilcox called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
  - 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
  - 1.2 Roll Call All present
- 2. Additions/Changes to the Agenda
- 3. Consideration of the Minutes
  - 3.1 Approve the minutes of the March 15, and April 5, 2018 meetings

    Motion T. Maxwell Second D. Polky

Vote 5/0

- 4. **Communications/Public Comments** K. Corey, Gr. 4/5 teacher, presented a composite of a Technology lesson exemplary of a Technology class for grades 4 and 5. She also presented a letter written by the teachers in support of the Technology Instructor, Daniel Picard. Several teachers were in attendance and spoke of their desire to have Mr. Picard return for 2018/19.
- Reports
  - 5.1 **Superintendent's Report** Supt. Mattos noted the donation of \$1000 from the Johnston's to the Marlee Fund. 5.2 Principal's Report Ms. Blue gave an overview of her Principal's report focusing on professional development.
- 6. Old Business
  - 6.1 **Take action on the adoption of the 2018-19 Fayette School Department Budget** Supt. Mattos reviewed concerns raised by the Town Budget Comm. Supt. Mattos offered that at this point the Sch. Comm. can make changes to the current budget draft if they wish.

Motion: To table action on the school budget until the next Sch. Comm. meeting.

Motion D. Polky Second E. Wilcox Vote 5/0

Take action on the school calendar for 2018/19 - During the last Sch. Comm. meeting a traditional school calendar was presented. Ms. Blue presented an alternative calendar that would replace the February and April vacations with a vacation in March. The School Comm. would like to survey the staff and parents to see what their thoughts are on the alternative calendar.

Motion: To table the school calendar for 2018/19 pending results of a survey.

Motion T. Maxwell Second R. Holland Vote 5/0

- 7. New Business
  - 7.1 **Take action on the replacement of the Fayette Central School roof** Supt. Mattos noted that a heating ventilation study should be done. He also reported that we will receive an insurance settlement of \$64,000 for the faulty roof shingles and that the funds must be used by February, 2019. Supt. Mattos would like to meet with Lajoie Bros. who did the previous roof work, prior to a bidding process to get some idea of numbers and information. There would be a need for two warrant articles, one borrowing money, and one for the use of fund monies. The Sch. Comm. supported the plan to allow the Supt. to talk with a sole source vendor about the project to gain information.
  - 7.2 **Take action on the Enrollment of Non-Resident Students in Pre-K Program for 2018/19**Supt. Mattos reported that we have 8 to 9 Fayette Pre-K students for 2018/19 with a potential of 3 students repeating. Guidelines state we must have more than one adult when the enrollment reaches 8 students. Adding five Supt. Agreement students would bring the Pre-K enrollment up to 17 students. Supt. Mattos offered the policies governing the program, IDA and JFAB.

Supt. Mattos reported that we have a high enrollment in Pre-K for 2018/19 and there are several options to consider:

1. Because of high #'s, we accept no non-resident students;

- 2. We could be willing to accept more students, but non-resident students will pay additional costs. A tuition rate would need to be determined to do so. The Fayette Budget Comm. has made it clear that they do not feel it would be fair to Fayette taxpayers to pay for non-Fayette students.
- 3. Update the policy allowing students of FCS staff to attend, i.e. child or grandchild.
  - J. Swimm asked the Sch. Comm. to follow its' policies when considering the decision. He noted that we are looking at a 1.6 mil increase in the budget this year.
  - J. Beekman asked if all Supt. Agreement students should be paying tuition?

Motion to refer Policies IDA and JFAB to the Policy Comm. to make changes. D. Polky T. Maxwell Vote 5/0

### 8. School Committee Comments

## 9. Adjournment

Without objection, Chairlady Wilcox declared the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Next regular monthly School Comm. meeting, **Thursday**, **May 10**, **2018 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Fayette Central School library.

Respectfully submitted

#### Joe Mattos, Superintendent

Any individual, who needs special accommodations to enter the building or assistance to attend this public meeting, must contact the Superintendent's Office at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting. (A.D.A.)

### **Upcoming Events:**

April 10<sup>th</sup> – Gr. 5 Transition Fair @ RSU 38 April 13<sup>th</sup> – Pre-K Screening April 16-20<sup>th</sup> – Spring break April 24-30<sup>th</sup> – Gr. 5 MEA Science Testing May 4<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Screening May 7<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Morning Mtg. May 8<sup>th</sup> – School Nurses' Day