

Regular Meeting: December 11, 2017

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALL RIVER SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Monday, December 11, 2017
5:30 PM

Kuss Middle School Auditorium
52 Globe Mills Avenue
Fall River, MA 02724

MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Costa called the meeting to order. A roll call for attendance showed at 5:31 p.m.:

Mr. Andrade: Present	Mr. Martins: Present
Mr. Coogan: Present	Mrs. Panchley: Present
Mr. Costa: Present	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Present	

Also present were Attorney Assad, Superintendent Malone, and Student Delegate Ruben Santos. Student Delegate Joseph Camara was absent.

Mr. Costa read the Open Meeting Law.

A salute to the flag followed.

CITIZENS' INPUT

Mr. Costa announced that two individuals were signed up for Citizens' Input. He reminded them that Citizens' Input is welcomed but asked that they try to keep it to three minutes.

1) Wendy Rego – 258 Franklin Street – SEPAC

Ms. Rego introduced herself as a parent of two children in the Fall River Public Schools. She thanked Dr. Costar for all that he has done for the students and parents of the Fall River Public Schools. She stated that Dr. Costar has contributed vast amounts to students, administration, and parents of the city in his years of service. In the last few years he has shown his passion, dedication, and support to the special education community of Fall River. He has also been the only School Committee member who has willingly attended SEPAC meetings on a regular basis. At these meetings, he has expressed his desire to have every child in the District given the same rights regardless of any disabilities the child faces.

2) Tiffany Pineault – 61 Lafayette Street – SEPAC

Ms. Pineault thanked Dr. Costar for making special education students a priority. During his time on the School Committee, Dr. Costar has taken the time to attend many SEPAC meetings and listen to the concerns of special education parents. One of the major concerns that has been raised is that their children are often not included into their schools. After hearing their concerns, Dr. Costar rewrote the Fall River Public Schools' mission statement to add a statement about inclusion of all students. She hopes that the School Committee and its new members will continue the work that Dr. Costar started with the SEPAC. They presented Dr. Costar with a certificate. Dr. Costar thanked them and told them that he was humbled by the work that parents of special needs students do every day. He was happy to help in any way that he could.

RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Dylan Cavaco, Student at Kuss Middle School, who was nominated by Superintendent Matthew Malone for being the catalyst behind the Durfee Pride “Red and Black” Spirit Day.

Superintendent Malone stated that they were honoring a student who came up with an amazing idea to have a dress down day in school where all students would wear Durfee Pride gear. That idea grew into a system-wide Durfee High Spirit Day on the day of Durfee’s pep rally.

- Outgoing School Committee Members: Gabriel Andrade, Edward Costar, and Melissa Panchley.

Mr. Costa presented a plaque to Mr. Andrade, Dr. Costar, and Mrs. Panchley to thank them for their service to the Fall River School Committee and the Fall River educational system. He thanked Mr. Andrade for his service, particularly with the Superintendent’s evaluation. He thanked Dr. Costar for investing his time and career to the Fall River Public Schools. He also thanked him for his leadership with the Policy Subcommittee, the countless hours he’s spent reviewing policy and making recommendations, and his work with the SEPAC. He thanked Mrs. Panchley for being a strong advocate for students and correct budgetary funding each and every year. He stated that she brought a wealth of energy and knowledge to finance and other subcommittees that she’s served on. He thanked her for being a champion of education. He added that he was excited to welcome the three new members to the School Committee and working with them in January.

Superintendent Malone presented the outgoing Committee members an award from the system. A group photo followed. Superintendent Malone added that all the principals and executive directors in the system showed up tonight to show appreciation for the outgoing members.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Malone stated that both items under the Superintendent’s Report have to do with the next phase of the School Committee’s work over the next few months which is having to do with the FY19 budget.

- System at a Glance: 2017 Student Enrollment

Superintendent Malone stated that there were increases both in second language learners and students who live in poverty. Under Chapter 70, those figures will help them as they develop the budget to ensure that they are targeting resources to address the growth specifically in second language learners which has more than doubled over the last three years.

- Tentative Working Budget Calendar

Superintendent Malone announced that the principals and department heads were working on their goals. His team will meet and identify some strategic budget goals and he will provide his recommended budget. As they go through that process over the next few months, they will engage in the zero-based budget process. They are looking to be fiscally conservative but investing in the areas that they will need to invest in in order to reduce class size, invest in the arts and technology, and support the growth to the system.

Superintendent Malone wished the School Committee a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Mr. Coogan: To approve all meeting minutes.

No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

TRAVEL REQUESTS

There are no travel requests to approve at this time.

DONATIONS

MOTION: Mr. Martins-Dr. Costar: To accept all donations.

No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

CONTRACTS

Mrs. Panchley requested to take the Facility Management Corporation contract separately.

MOTION: Mr. Coogan-Mr. Andrade: To approve all other contracts.

No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

MOTION: Mr. Martins-Mr. Andrade: To approve the Facility Management Corporation contract.

Discussion:

Mrs. Panchley asked if the Westport Public Schools contributed to this. She believed that there were five members on the hockey team who were from Westport High School. Superintendent Malone stated that he could find the specific answer but he didn't think so because they don't charge user fees. He agreed that this was something that they should consider. He will send a memo to the Committee this week. They can also have conversations with the Westport Public Schools regarding their athletic program.

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

GRANTS

MOTION: Dr. Costar-Mr. Coogan: To approve all grants.

No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes

Mr. Martins: Yes

Mr. Coogan: Yes

Mrs. Panchley: Yes

Mr. Costa: Yes

Mayor Correia: Absent

Dr. Costar: Yes

Six were in favor

None were opposed

One was absent (Mayor Correia)

Motion passed

DISCUSSIONS

1. **Discussion and Vote to Refer** To refer the policy on Public Comment at School Committee Meetings (BEDH) to the Policy Subcommittee, *as presented by School Committeeman Edward Costar.*

MOTION: Dr. Costar-Mr. Andrade: To refer the discussion of public comment to the Policy Subcommittee.

Discussion:

Dr. Costar had asked that this be put on the agenda because of some confusion that he had that has to do with the policy regarding citizens' input. He had noticed there was a contradiction of the School Committee policy that he read online which encouraged parents and community members to speak at citizens' input about their wishes, ideas, and concerns. However, the policy on the agenda stated that all comments for citizens' input had to be related to the agenda. He had asked what policy was in effect. He had learned that the policy that is stated under Citizens' Input on the agenda came from an advisory opinion from a judge who had made suggestions to the School Committee about policy changes and one of the suggestions was to link Citizens' Input to items on the agenda. He assumed that that was the current policy and the policy online had not been updated. The first piece of backup material in the binders for this was the current Fall River Public Schools' policy that was approved in 2010. It did not indicate that citizens' input needed to be related to any of the items on the agenda. The next piece of backup data was an email from the previous superintendent to someone who wanted to speak at Citizens' Input. In the email, she referred to Item #3 which says that "topics for discussion must be limited to items on the agenda." He wondered if that was ever approved by the School Committee. The next item is from the Massachusetts Association for School Committees where they made a recommendation to have Citizens' Input be linked to agenda items. The reason he brought this up was because it was brought to his attention by someone at SEPAC that, after the last election, the city charter that was approved and was to take effect the day it was approved addresses public input at City Council and School Committee meetings. The city charter says that "public comment shall not be limited to items on the agenda for any regular meeting, providing the issues or concerns raised are within the jurisdiction of the city council, school committee, or any multiple-member body, respectively; public comment at any special meeting shall be limited to items on the meeting agenda." It does not say that they should link citizens' input at regular meetings to what's on the agenda. He thinks that it makes sense that they should stick to agenda items at special meetings. He recommends that the new subcommittee – once it is formed in January – rewrite this policy so that Fall River Public Schools' policy and the city charter could be in sync. He thinks that the city charter's policy is a good compromise.

Mr. Andrade stated that he thinks this can be done very easily by reworking Line 3 from the existing policy which does not specify that this is to be an item linked to the agenda. He has long felt that the public comment policy has been overly restrictive. Lately, they have not had as many people speak during citizens' input but he remembers a time when they did have quite a few people speak at citizens' input and it was related to multiple issues with the School Department. The policy does indicate that a level of control needs to be maintained so that things don't get out of hand. He remembers that Dr. Costar had recommended establishing a new Committee which would deal with this issue. This allowed people to address members of the

Committee in a personal manner but, unfortunately, it hasn't worked the way that it was envisioned. The charter mandates them to change the policy and he agrees that it should be changed.

Dr. Costar stated that the subcommittee that Mr. Andrade was referring to was born because they had a policy that said that citizens' input had to be related to the agenda so that parents would have some way to discuss their concerns. His concern is that they don't always know what's on the agenda and can't always find things on the agenda. If they rewrite the policy so that it conforms with the city charter, it just gives them a better way to make a referral because, if someone addresses a specific topic during citizens' input, the School Committee can make a way to refer that to this subcommittee. They only had one subcommittee meeting of the parent group because it was difficult to have an agenda for the parent group. If they had people come before the School Committee during citizens' input to discuss a specific topic, instead of having the discussion at the full School Committee meeting, they could refer it to that subcommittee. He does not think that it would be difficult to take the 2010 policy and incorporate the Fall River charter to this policy. He suggested that they also change the policy to reflect special meetings and that citizens' input should be tied to the agenda items for special meetings. If this change is made, he suggests that they have copies of the policy on the podium at the time when people sign up so they will understand what the rules for citizens' input are.

Mr. Costa stated that in 2010 there was an advisor, Judge Armand Fernandes, who had been assigned to the District to work with the School Committee on a number of issues, one of which being Citizens' Input. He doesn't recall the policy ever coming to the full School Committee for approval. They had just reverted to past practice. In light of the new charter and wanting people to feel welcomed to speak during citizens' input, he thinks that it is warranted to send this to the Policy Subcommittee for review. Through consulting with Attorney Assad and Superintendent Malone, he learned that the charter allows for the School Committee to work on the rules for the implementation in June 2018; however, they can get a head start on this. He thinks that there is a way to morph what the charter expects and what the voters expected. He doesn't recall it ever being the intent of the Committee to not allow citizens to come before the School Committee to speak on their concerns. He remembers there being a conversation with Judge Fernandes in regards to the Committee being caught off guard by topics that are brought to the Committee and it wasn't fair to them or the Superintendent who was typically the brunt of public input.

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor	None were opposed	One was absent (Mayor Correia)	Motion passed
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2. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Proposed Indirect Cost Agreement, *as referred by the Finance Subcommittee*

Mr. Martins stated that there was a sentence that was removed that had to do with the cost of employees and resources that are shared between the School Department and other departments will be the total cost of the identified services multiplied by two, which was the percentage used by the School Department. On page 5, Section VI, it says "health services including public health and safety inspections." The fire department has to go into every school to check the fire extinguishers. He asked if this was supposed to be paid for the entire day or if this was prorated on the amount of time that the inspector is doing the assigned duty. He doesn't understand why that sentence wouldn't be a positive thing for the School Department. He agrees with just paying for services rendered and not more than that.

MOTION: Mr. Martins-Mr. Andrade: To amend the Indirect Cost Agreement to state that employees and resources shared between the School Department and other departments will be the total cost for the identified services multiplied by the percentage of use by the School Department.

Discussion:

Dr. Costar asked if this agreement was vetted by both the City's and School Department's finance teams. Mr. Costa stated that he understood that it was. Dr. Costar said that the biggest concern he had was that the budget process was a whirlwind and there were disagreements that took place between the City and the School Department. If they had come to an agreement, he is reluctant to make any changes.

Mr. Martins stated that the draft that he was holding was dated September 28 and there were other drafts which all had that one clause but the final one doesn't have it in there. He appreciates that they have to have health inspectors and fire inspectors but he doesn't want to pay for a full day for their services if it's only going to take a couple of hours.

Superintendent Malone stated that the language that was in the agreement at the first subcommittee meeting they held was language that was used for the original agreement. At that time there was some confusion as to why the language existed because they don't have any shared positions with the City. At that point, they went back and negotiated with the City and brought forward a new draft. That language was cleaned up to be removed in the next draft. At the last Finance Subcommittee meeting, this language was not in the draft and it was not indicated at that meeting that this language needed to be in the document. If it becomes an issue, they have leverage in the document where they could go back and renegotiate. However, as of right now, they do not have shared positions. Mr. Martins stated that under Section VI it says that they are incorporating shared positions with the health services and safety inspectors.

Mr. Costa asked if the School Department would be responsible for paying for the cost associated with the health and public safety inspectors' services as opposed to a daily rate. Mr. Almeida confirmed that they would be paid for the service not a daily rate. He added that, during the Finance Subcommittee meeting, Mr. Martins had specifically asked that they clean up this paragraph so they met with the City and cleaned up the language in the paragraph and brought it to the last Finance Subcommittee meeting where it was recommended to the full School Committee.

Mr. Andrade stated that there have been other items where they showed a gain after negotiations with the City. He feels that they have a good agreement. They have time to see how it works out but, if it doesn't work out, they have another budget coming up. Since he has been on the Committee, the budget process has been messy. There was no clear agreement as to what was part of net school spending and what was not. He would have appreciated having a checklist in the past like they have at the end of the proposed indirect cost agreement where it clearly indicates what is part of net school spending and what is not. He thinks that this will make the budget process run a lot smoother.

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: No	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: No	Mrs. Panchley: No
Mr. Costa: No	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: No	

One was in favor Five were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion failed

MOTION: Mrs. Panchley-Mr. Andrade: To approve the Indirect Cost Agreement.

Discussion:

Mr. Coogan acknowledged the work that the Superintendent did with the City on this agreement which he felt was presented in a transparent manner.

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

3. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Position conversion of a vacant accountant SNON position to a clerk, as presented by Mr. Tom Coogan, Executive Director of Human Resources

MOTION: Mr. Coogan-Mr. Andrade: To approve the position conversion of a vacant accountant SNON position to a clerk.

Discussion:

Mr. Martins asked if changing the position from a Facilities Accountant to a clerk would make it a union position. Mr. Coogan stated that it would and they would move into the clerk's bargaining unit.

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

4. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Request for Renovations to Administration Building through CPA funding, as presented by Mr. Kenneth Pacheco, Chief Operating Officer

MOTION: Mrs. Panchley-Mr. Coogan: To approve the request for renovations to the Administration Building through CPA funding .

No discussion

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

5. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Request for approval of proprietary items for the New Durfee High School as required by Massachusetts General Law, c. 149 and 149a, as presented by Mr. Kenneth Pacheco, Chief Operating Officer

MOTION: Mr. Martins-Mr. Andrade: To approve the request of proprietary items for the new Durfee High School.

Discussion:

Dr. Costar asked if Mr. Pacheco could explain what this was for. Mr. Pacheco stated that the items they are asking for are the true and tested items used throughout the District. They would like to keep that continuity. For example, the cameras are web based and don't require a lot of additional equipment that tends to change over time and needs to be replaced. The operating software for heating systems are district wide. As they build a school, they're trying to keep everything the same. It's easier for the district to operate and it's also a cost savings in maintenance.

Mr. Martins asked if, rather than having tile for the corridors in the new school, he asked if they could have terrazzo instead. Mr. Pacheco said that he will see what they can do.

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

6. **Vote to Approve:** As recommended by the Policy Subcommittee:

6a. ***New Policy:*** (BIBA) School Committee Conferences, Conventions, and Workshops

6b. ***Reviewed Policies:*** (DK) Payment Procedures and (GBK) Staff Complaints and Grievances

6c. ***Revised Policies:*** (BBA) School Committee Powers and Duties, (BDD) School Committee-Superintendent Relationship, (BDF) Advisory Committees to the School Committee, (CBI) Evaluation of the Superintendent, (DBD) Budget Planning, (DBJ) Budget Transfer Authority, (DJE) Procurement Requirements, (DKC) Expense Reimbursement, (ECA) Buildings and Grounds Security, (EFC) Free and Reduced Price Food Services, (FA) Facilities Development Goals, (GBA) Equal Employment Opportunity, (GBEA) Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest, (GBEB) Staff Conduct, (GBED) Tobacco Use on School Property by Staff Members Prohibited, (GBGE) Domestic Violence Leave Policy, (GBGF) Family and Medical Leave, (GBI) Staff Participation in Political Activities, (IE) Organization of Instruction, (IHA) Basic Instructional Program, (IHB) Special Instructional Programs and Accommodations (Programs for Children with Special Needs), (IHBEA) English Language Learners, (IHBH) Alternative School Programs, (IJ) Instructional Materials, (IJLA) Library Resources, (IK) Student Progress Reports to Parents/Guardians, (IMG) Animals in School, (JJH-R) Student Travel Regulations, (KCD) Public Gifts to the Schools, (KDB) Public's Right to Know, (KE) Public Complaints, (KI) Visitors to the Schools, and (LDA) Student Teaching and Internships

Dr. Costar stated that at the Policy Subcommittee meeting they found that it was easier to lump all the policies that no one had a problem with together and approve those then go back to discuss the policies that someone had concerns on. Mr. Costa agreed. He stated that, when the agenda was constructed, it was advised that this section be broken down to indicate which polices were new, which had been reviewed, and which had been revised.

MOTION: Mr. Coogan-Mr. Andrade: To approve the adoption of policy BIBA: School Committee Conferences, Conventions, and Workshops.

No discussion

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

MOTION: Mrs. Panchley-Mr. Coogan: To approve the adoption of the two reviewed policies.

No discussion

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

Mr. Martins asked if they could take policy BBA: School Committee Powers and Duties separately.

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Mr. Coogan: To approve the adoptions of all other policies that are listed.

No discussion

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

MOTION: Mr. Martins-Mrs. Panchley: To approve the adoption of policy BBA: School Committee Powers and Duties with the amendment.

Discussion:

Mr. Martins noticed that the School Committee's executive assistant was not included under Personnel Matters. Superintendent Malone stated that they can add that. Mr. Costa agreed that that position should be included.

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

7. **Vote to Approve:** Year-to-Date Budget Report, *as presented by Kevin Almeida, Chief Financial Officer*

MOTION: Mr. Coogan-Mr. Martins: To approve the Year-to-Date Budget Report.

Discussion:

Mrs. Panchley asked if the votes to approve the contracts for the additional buses for Argosy and special needs was going to put them over what was budgeted for Transportation. Mr. Almeida stated that they were okay right now but he is monitoring this on a monthly basis. He added that it was going to be tight. Mrs. Panchley stated that, since they exceeded net school spending, it's probably not a big deal but she is worried if they don't let the City Council know that they may exceed the Transportation budget.

Mr. Martins asked about the 0% used for General Maintenance. Mr. Almeida stated that they typically use the contracted services line within the maintenance category but they will use the general maintenance line next.

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

MOTION: Mr. Martins-Mrs. Panchley: To place the FYI portion of the agenda on file.

No discussion

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Mr. Martins: To enter into executive session.

Attorney Assad read items that were requested for Executive Session.

- 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)(2): To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel and/or to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel including Rene Kochman, Director of Operations/Director of Media for FRED-TV; Brian Mikolazyz, School Information Coordinator; and Jessica Rodriguez, Parent/Community Worker.

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- o M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(7): To review and approve Executive Session Committee Minutes for the November 13, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee.

Mr. Costa asked for a roll call to enter into executive session.

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed (6:39 p.m.)

At 7:19 p.m. the meeting reconvened. A roll call for attendance showed:

Mr. Andrade: Present	Mr. Martins: Present
Mr. Coogan: Present	Mrs. Panchley: Present
Mr. Costa: Present	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Present	

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Mrs. Panchley: To approve the contract between the Fall River School Committee and Mr. Brian Mikolazyk.
No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Mrs. Panchley: To approve the contract between the Fall River School Committee and Mr. Rene Kochman.
No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes
Mr. Costa: Yes	Mayor Correia: Absent
Dr. Costar: Yes	

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Dr. Costar: To approve the contract between the Fall River School Committee and Ms. Jessica Rodriguez.
No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes	Mr. Martins: Yes
Mr. Coogan: Yes	Mrs. Panchley: Yes

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Mr. Costa: Yes

Mayor Correia: Absent

Dr. Costar: Yes

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

MOTION: Mrs. Panchley-Mr. Andrade: To approve the executive session minutes from the November 13, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee.

No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes

Mr. Martins: Yes

Mr. Coogan: Yes

Mrs. Panchley: Yes

Mr. Costa: Yes

Mayor Correia: Absent

Dr. Costar: Yes

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Mr. Costa, on behalf of himself and Mayor Correia, thanked the outgoing School Committee members again and wished everyone a Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

MOTION: Mr. Andrade-Dr. Costar and Mrs. Panchley: To adjourn.

No discussion

A roll call showed:

Mr. Andrade: Yes

Mr. Martins: Yes

Mr. Coogan: Yes

Mrs. Panchley: Yes

Mr. Costa: Yes

Mayor Correia: Absent

Dr. Costar: Yes

Six were in favor None were opposed One was absent (Mayor Correia) Motion passed (7:22 PM)

Respectfully submitted,



Administrative Assistant

Documents Referred to:

- Fall Enrollment Indicators Trends
- Tentative/Dynamic FY 2019 Budget Calendar
- Minutes
 - Policy Subcommittee – 11/13/2017
 - Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee Minutes – 11/13/2017

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- Special Meeting of the Fall River School Committee – 11/21/2017
- Finance Subcommittee - 11/27/2017
- Donations
 - Greater Fall River Partners for a Healthier Community
 - New Life Church
 - Donors Choose
 - St. Anne's Credit Union
 - Rex Cut Products, Inc.
 - Roger Williams
- Contracts Memo
- Grants
 - FY 18 230 Special Education Services for Parentally Placed Students in Private Schools
 - FY 18 Massachusetts Community Learning Centers – Enhanced Programs for Students on IEPs - Durfee
- Policy BEDH: Public Participation at School Committee Meetings (December 2010)
- Email from Meg Mayo-Brown re: Fall River Public Schools' policy on public comment
- MASC's recommended revisions for the BEDH policy
- New City Charter Rules
- Proposed Indirect Cost Agreement
- Memo re: Proposed conversion of Facilities Accountant to Clerk
- Application for Community Preservation Eligibility
- Letter from Ken Pacheco re: request for approval of proprietary items
- Memo re: Updates to Policy Manual
- New Policy
 - BIBA: School Committee Conferences, Conventions, and Workshops
- Reviewed Policies:
 - DK: Payment Procedures
 - GBK: Staff Complaints and Grievances
- Revised Policies:
 - BBA: School Committee Powers and Duties
 - BDD: School Committee-Superintendent Relationship
 - BDF: Advisory Committees to the School Committee
 - CBI: Evaluation of the Superintendent
 - DBD: Budget Planning
 - DBJ: Budget Transfer Authority
 - DJE: Procurement Requirements
 - DKC: Expense Reimbursements
 - ECA: Buildings and Grounds Security
 - EFC: Free and Reduced Price Food Services
 - FA: Facilities Development Goals
 - GBA: Equal Employment Opportunity
 - GBEA: Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest
 - GBEB: Staff Conduct
 - GBED: Tobacco Use on School Property by Staff Members Prohibited
 - GBGE: Domestic Violence Leave Policy
 - GBGF: Family and Medical Leave
 - GBI: Staff Participation in Political Activities

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- IE: Organization of Instruction
- IHA: Basic Instructional Program
- IHB: Special Instructional Programs and Accommodations (Programs for Children with Special Needs)
- IHBEA: English Language Learners
- IHBH: Alternative School Programs
- IJ: Instructional Materials
- IJLA: Library Resources
- IK: Student Progress Reports to Parents/Guardians
- IMG: Animals in School
- JJH-R: Student Travel Regulations
- KCD: Public Gifts to the Schools
- KDB: Public's Right to Know
- KE: Public Complaints
- KI: Visitors to the Schools
- LDA: Student Teaching and Internships
- Year-to-Date Budget Report

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