Falmouth School Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Danielle Tracy at 7:02 p.m. in the Falmouth Elementary School Cafeteria. Present were Nicole Bezanson, Caryn Bickerstaff, Whitney Bruce, Julie Fraser, Jen Libby, Julia Lucas, Danielle Tracy, Student Representative Neeya Rostampour and Superintendent Geoff Bruno, and 13 community members (H. Stark excused).

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. August 20, 2018 - Regular Meeting

5. COMMUNICATION:

A. **Student Representatives Report** – Neeya Rostampour stated that students are getting adjusted to being back in school. The activities fair was held, which is always an exciting time for students. Because of the new orientation, ninth graders seems to have fewer questions about where classrooms are. Fall fest planning is in full swing and all sports teams are doing well.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Superintendent Bruno thanked everyone--students, parents, custodians, staff, and bus drivers--for the smooth opening of school. He stated the Challenge Success presentation to parents on September 4 had a great turnout and good information was disseminated. Discussion on the survey will continue at the October 1, 2018 School Board workshop.

7. LEADERSHIP COUNCIL REPORTS:

A. Falmouth Elementary School - Gloria Noyes stated the "meet & greets" went well and four out of the six open houses have taken place. Mrs. Noyes thanked Lebel & Harriman, LLP, for their generous donation of a large collection of school supplies for FES students.

B. Falmouth Middle School - Janet Adams stated the enrollment numbers at the middle school are up (551) and new staff and students are settling in nicely. She stated Sarah DeLuca has jumped right into her position and has already become comfortable in her new role.

C. Falmouth High School - Peter Badalament indicated the freshman enjoyed a very different style of orientation this year with a new focus placed on connecting them to one another, to upperclassmen, and to their advisors. He is pleased to report that the number of schedule

change requests this year was down with most students attending all of the classes they selected last spring.

D. Director of Special Services - Gene Kucinkas stated as he was walking around to each of the buildings recently, it struck him that the one campus has come to fruition and many benefits have been realized.

E. Director of Learning - Gretchen McNulty thanked everyone who attended the Challenge Success presentation on September 4. Staff continue to examine the data and there will be further district wide discussions in October. She indicated a new intercultural and inclusion committee will be formed soon, and we are looking for students and parents to join. Mrs. McNulty also stated there are many resources on our website for grading and report. They include videos, blogs, articles and a guide to Falmouth standard based grading." All this information can be found under the resources link, then curriculum, instruction and assessment link.

F. Athletic Director - James Coffey's report stands as submitted.

G. Technology Director - Nate Barnes stated that for first time ever, every device was ready to go for the start of school. He thanked all of his staff for their work. A big project they have been working on is an updated bus signup. There have already been a few tweaks to it, but the system has already improved the process.

H. Director of Finance and Operations - Dan O'Shea indicated it has been very busy all summer in central office. There have been many new hires to process, Schedule B and C contracts to disseminate, and much preparation to getting the first payroll out. He stated there has been an incredible amount of food coming out of the greenhouse and that this has been a very robust program. Mr. O'Shea also discussed the new high school Theater/Tech Manager position and the work that will be happening.

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

A. Current openings:

- Special Education Teacher (FES) - replacement
- Educational Technician IIIs (Special Education) - multiple positions
- RTI Educational Technician III (FES) - replacement
- Custodian Supervisor/ Building Maintenance (replacement)
- Head Varsity Softball Coach
- Head Varsity Girls Tennis Coach

B. New hires:

- Darcy Dyer - Educational Technician III (Special Education) - FES (replacement)

- Lauren Maloney - Educational Technician III (Special Education) - FES (replacement)
- Amy Amico - Educational Technician III/Lunch Aide - FES (replacement)
- Alissa McKenney - Educational Technician II (Child Care)
- Rose Harris - Food Service Worker - FES (replacement)
- Jennifer Kelley - Lunch Aide - FMS (replacement)
- Michael Kane - Bus Driver

C. Schedule B co-curricular assignments:

<u>K- Gr. 2 Student Centered Teams</u>

Susan Albertini, Brianna Deroche, and Katrina Loef - School Counselor (split)
Julie Scammell - RTI Representative Literacy
Michelle Brown - RTI Representative Math
Meghan Goldman - K-2 Representative
Andrea Romer - Special Education

<u>Grs. 3-5 Student Centered Teams</u>

Susan Albertini, Brianna Deroche, and Katrina Loef - School Counselor (split)
Sara Hess - RTI Representative
Trish Conant - Special Education/Resource Teacher
Vicky Mildrum - 3/5 Representative
Amy McInerney - UA Representative
Rachel Gutner - RTI Education Technician

<u>K-Gr. 5 Wellness Team</u>

Cathlyn Langston
Heidi Richards
Lindsay Wissink
Kellie Schimelman
Jeffrey Sprague
Becky Hanaburgh - Gr. 4/5 Chorus
Jeffrey Sprague - Activities Club
Dede Waite - Gr. 5 Dramatics
Ellen Lowery and Trish Conant - Gr. 4/5 Kids Who Care
Ellen Lowery - K-5 Spanish Immersion Team
Mary MacKinnon - Gr. 5 Math Team
Dee Langley and Kate Driscoll - Memory Book (Yearbook) Advisor

<u>PBIS School Culture & Climate Committee</u>

Julie Clay - K- Gr. 2
Paul Rosenblum, Anna Soule - Grs. 3-5
Jeffrey Sprague - Unified Arts (UA)
Cindy Smith - Special Education
Brianna Deroche - School Counselor

Emily Klaczynsky - School Psychologist
Ellen Santora/Garrett Sanborn - MS Student Council Advisors
Steve Liscovitz - Kieve Leader

D. Schedule B athletics assignments:
John Mullen - Head Golf Coach
Patrick Lever - Varsity Football Assistant Coach
Mark Campbell – MS Cross Country Coach
Joyce Babbitt – MS Volleyball Coach
Grace Tucci-Libby – Gr. 8 Field Hockey Coach
Emily Stuart – Gr. 7 Field Hockey Coach
Craig Shain – Gr. 8 Boys Soccer Coach
Mark Peterson – Gr. 7 Boys Soccer Coach
Janet Dye – Gr. 8 Girls Soccer Coach
Maureen Silvia – Gr. 7 Girls Soccer Coach

9. COMMITTEE AND PROJECT STATUS REPORTS:

A. Finance Committee: Ms. Libby indicated she had nothing to report.
B. Facilities Committee: Mrs. Fraser indicated she had nothing to report.
C. Policy Committee: Mrs. Bickerstaff stated two policy revisions are on tonight's agenda for first reads.
D. Wellness Representative: Mrs. Lucas indicated she had nothing to report.
E. PATHS Representative: Mrs. Bruce indicated the first meeting will be taking place soon.
F. FLAG (Falmouth Learning Advisory Group) Representative: No report was given.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was none.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Mrs. Fraser with a second from Mrs. Bezanson moved the Board nominate Whitney Bruce as the School Board Representative to the Delegate Assembly of the Maine School Board Association. The motion passed 7-0.
B. First reading of revisions to policy KLGA - Relations with School Resource Officers and Law Enforcement Authorities
C. First reading of revisions to policy KLGA-R - School Resource Officer/Law Enforcement Administrative Procedure

12. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: One community member spoke

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Mrs. Bezanson with a second from Mrs. Lucas moved the Board adjourn. The motion passed 7-0 and the Board adjourned at 7:56 p.m.