

FRONTIER REGIONAL/UNION #38 SCHOOL COMMITTEES JOINT MEETING
Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
South Deerfield, MA 01373

MINUTES

Frontier Regional School Committee

Present: Chair Robert Halla, Judy Pierce, Mary Ramon, William Smith, Damien Fosnot, Cyndie Ouimette, Keith McFarland, Robert Decker, III, Philip Kantor, Olivia Leone

Absent Frontier: Lyn Roberts

Union #38 School Committee

Present: Conway: Michael Merritt, Philip Kantor, Ira Band

Deerfield: Trevor McDaniel, Mary Ramon, David Sharp

Sunderland: Gregory Gottschalk, Peter Gagarin, Maise Shaw, Keith McFarland, Douglas Fulton

Whately: Robert Halla, Maureen Nichols

Absent Union: Katie Edwards, Elaine Campbell, Ashley Dion, Kenneth Cuddeback, Jan Flaska

Present on behalf of the Joint Committee: Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow, TMS: Mark Chapulis

Chair Robert Halla called the meeting to order for Frontier Regional School Committee at 6:07pm.

Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow called the meeting to order for Union #38 at 6:07pm.

Reorganization

Interim Superintendent Modestow called for nominations for Union #38 Chair. On a motion from Trevor McDaniel, and a second from Robert Halla, Kenneth Cuddeback was nominated Chair. Trevor McDaniel moved, seconded by Robert Halla, to close nominations for Chair and appoint Kenneth Cuddeback as Chair. Approved 13-5-0.

Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow called for nominations for Vice Chair. On a motion from Robert Halla, and a second from Trevor McDaniel, David Sharp was nominated Vice Chair.

Michael Merritt moved, seconded by Maureen Nichols, to close nominations for Vice Chair and appoint David Sharp as Vice Chair. Approved 13-5-0.

FRSC: On a motion from Philip Kantor and a second from William Smith, the Minutes of July 31, 2018 were approved, 7-0-3.

Union: On a motion from Trevor McDaniel, and a second from Ira Band, the Minutes of July 31, 2018 were approved, 8-0-5.

There was no Public Comment.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion of extending contract with The Management Solutions. Recommendation that subsequent extensions be done through September 30, 2019.

FRSC: On a motion from Cyndie Ouimette, and a second from Robert Decker, III, to extend the contract with The Management Solutions for a period of three months. Approved 10-1-0.

Union: On a motion from Trevor McDaniel, and a second from Robert Halla, to extend the contract with The Management Solutions for a period of three months. Approved 11-5-0.

Discussion of a Business Manager/School Business Management Services search. Recommendation to prepare two bids; permanent bid and an interim bid so that the committee can act based on the applications received.

Ammended develop and distribute

FRSC: On a motion from Cyndie Ouimette, and a second from Olivia Leone, to prepare a bid for Business Manager/School Business Management Services was approved, 10-1-0.

Union: On a motion from Trevor McDaniel, and a second from Greg Gottschalk, to prepare a bid request for Business Manager/School Business Management Services was approved, 11-5-0.

FRSC: On a motion from Cyndie Ouimette, and a second from Robert Decker, III, to amend the previous motion to read 'to develop and distribute a bid request for Business Manager/School Business Management Services. Approved 10-1-0.

Union: On a motion from Trevor McDaniel, and a second from Peter Gagarin, to amend the previous motion to read 'to develop and distribute a bid request for Business Manager/School Business Management Services. Approved 11-5-0.

New Business:

Sarah Mitchell, Director of Secondary Education and Louise Law, Director of Elementary Education, and Kim McCarthy, Director of Early Childhood Education gave an updates on:

- Accountability ratings for school and provided school specific reports for 2018.
- Curriculum Updates - New social studies frameworks: 1) review/update core content areas and 2) the content to process shift.
- Professional Development Update - 2018-2019 Professional Development Plan

Presentation of Interim Superintendent's Entry Plan. Joint committee members can provide the Interim Superintendent feedback and/or comments on the plan as they feel appropriate.

- The Interim Superintendent contract states by January 30, 2019 the Joint Committee will make a decision to either appoint or search for the Superintendent.

Planning for additional Joint School Committee Meetings. Request for a Joint meeting for January 22, 2019, at 6pm in the library.

Executive Session:

Union: On a motion from Trevor McDaniel, and a second from Robert Halla, Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, (a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements (approval of executive session minutes of July 31, 2018) and Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, (a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining (MOA) to enter into Executive Session at 7:35 pm.

Roll call vote:

Michael Merritt-yes	Trevor McDaniel-yes	Maise Shaw-yes
David Sharp-yes	Peter Gagarin-yes	Robert Halla-yes
Gregory Gottschalk-yes	Maureen Nichols-yes	

The Frontier Regional School Committee returned to Open Session at 8:30 pm.

The Union #38 School Committee returned to Open Session at 8:30 pm.

FRSC: On a motion from Judy Pierce, and a second from Cyndie Ouimette, the meeting adjourned at 8:32 am. Approved 10-1-0.

Union: On a motion from David Sharp, and a second from Ira Band, the meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm. Approved 11-5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Pierce, Recording Secretary

Summary of Documents Presented:

1. Minutes of July 31, 2018
2. TMS interim contract
3. 2018 Official Accountability Report-Frontier, Conway, Deerfield, Sunderland, Whately
4. Social Emotional Learning Standards
5. Interim Superintendent Entry Plan