HEARD Kelly Welch open the Public Meeting at 6:30 PM.

HEARD Terri Medeiros recite the Falmouth Public Schools Vision and Mission Statement.

HEARD Kelly Welch recite the taping/recording statement.
- Jessica Hill, reporter for the Cape Cod Times, stated she would be taping for reporting purposes.
- Jennette Barnes, reporter from WCAI, stated she would be taping for reporting purposes.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None

UPDATE from the Health Agent
Mr. McGann stated that the State is in Phase II of the vaccination process. He also reported that it remains difficult to register for the COVID-19 vaccine, but expected to improve as more become available. He also stated that Falmouth is ready to move forward with the vaccination site at the Barnstable County Fairgrounds, once the vaccines arrive.

HEARD questions and comments following Mr. McGann’s report.

UPDATE from the Superintendent
HEARD Dr. Duerr report on the following items:
- Grades PK-4 remote learners returning to in-person learning and Grades 5-12 hybrid learners moving to remote learning.
- Procedures to process requests for students to return to school, every day, in grades 5-12.

HEARD questions and comments following Dr. Duerr’s report
**ACT on School Budget**
MOTION by Natalie Kanellopoulos to approve the FY22 budget for $51,514,729. SECONDED by Bill Rider. Roll Call Vote. UNANIMOUS.

**UPDATE on the Progress of School Committee Goal #2:**
Goal #2 – The Falmouth School Committee will build a foundation of knowledge and understanding around equity, access, inclusion, diversity, and systemic racism.

HEARD Kelly Welch introduce a document compiled by Natalie Kanellopoulos listing progress of School Committee Goal #2.

HEARD the following comments from members:
1. Ms. Thorrold stated that there are many similar initiatives happening across the Cape.
2. Mr. Rider requested a follow-up meeting for Board members with Kalise Wornum.
3. Ms. Medeiros reported that she would be participating in the Emerald House initiative.
4. Ms. Palmer reported that MVY radio is airing an anti-racism and inclusion series on Mondays.

**REVIEW and Continued Discussion of School Discipline, Data, and Proactive Measures**
HEARD Dr. Duerr review the State laws surrounding “Discipline in the Schools.”

HEARD Jana Faiky, parent of a high school student, ask for clarification regarding suspension from school.

HEARD Dr. Woodward, Director of Student Services, continue the report by sharing a slide entitled “Discipline Data by Race.” This chart compares the number of suspensions broken down by ethnicity for School Year (SY) 2017-2018, SY 2018-2019 and SY 2019-2020.

HEARD questions and comments following Dr. Woodward’s report.

HEARD Rose Moran, Principal of Mullen-Hall, Tom McManamon, Assistant Principal of the High School, Henry St. Julien, Assistant Principal of the High School, and Derek Zarra, Teaching and Learning Specialist, review the Restorative Justice Program. Principal Moran reviewed the key goals of the program. Mr. McManamon reviewed the practices of the program, and Mr. St. Julien and Mr. Zarra reviewed the future Professional Development opportunities that will be available to staff on the topic of Cultural Proficiency.

HEARD questions and comments following the report.

MOTION by Melissa Keefe to approve the minutes of February 9, 2021. SECONDED by Andrea Thorrold. Roll Call Vote. UNANIMOUS.

**REPORT from the Chair and Committee Members**
HEARD John Furnari thank everyone who participated in the Legislative Breakfast.

HEARD Mr. Rider state that he would like more community participation in the meetings.

HEARD Terri Medeiros state that the School Committee receives many emails each week and thanks the public for staying connected with the Board.

HEARD Leah Palmer request demographics for staff and the steps to recruit people of color.
HEARD Melissa Keefe request that a discussion of MCAS be on the next agenda.

This video of students was shown at the conclusion of the meeting: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V56pUy0X8c5lf0ckCjRZkJ6B6V1K8YQi/view

MOTION by Melissa Keefe to adjourn the meeting. SECONDED by Terri Medeiros. Roll Call Vote. UNANIMOUS.

The following documents were included in the School Committee packet of February 23, 2021. Hard copies can be found in the Superintendent’s office or electronic copies on-line at the Town’s website: www.falmouthmass.us/AgendaCenter

- Update on progress of School Committee Goal #2
- Draft Minutes of February 9, 2021
- Discipline Data by Race Chart

OPEN MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:56 PM

Minutes Approved: March 9, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Keefe
Secretary

Recording Secretary: Sharon Reid