DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes of a School Committee Meeting

Monday, September 24, 2018



10-15-18

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, September 24, 2018, at the Station Avenue Elementary School in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Members Present:

Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; Andrea St. Germain, Secretary; Brian Carey, Treasurer; James Dykeman, Jr., Brian Sullivan, Phillip Morris, and Jack Carder, Student Representative to the School Committee.

Others Present:

Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Ken Jenks, Assistant Superintendent; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Leila Maxwell, Director of STEM Instruction; Sherry Santini, Director of Humanities & the Arts; Tony Morrison, D-YRHS Principal; Ann Knell, Mattacheese Middle School Principal; Tim Blake, Nathaniel Wixon School Principal; Tracy Post, Yarmouth Board of Selectmen; Vida Morris.

At 6:33 p.m., Jeni Landers, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

Public Comment Period

Vida Morris asked about reconfiguring bus routes and whether the district agreement subcommittee had been formed.

Tracy Post announced that there would be a joint meeting of the Boards of Selectmen of Dennis and Yarmouth on Thursday, September 27th at 5:30 at Station Avenue Elementary School regarding the regional school agreement.

Reports

DYRSD School Committee Student Representative Jack Carder – Sports, band, and clubs are all up and running.

School Committee Liaisons - B. Carey, Dennis; J. Tierney, Yarmouth

 $\underline{\text{Dennis}}$ – No report.

Yarmouth-No report.

Building Committee Update - J. Tierney, Chair

Mr. Tierney reported that the project manager will attend two upcoming school committee meetings on both October 22nd and November 5th; one at Mattacheese and the other at Wixon. There will be an open forum discussion as well as a question and answer session which will last for approximately one and a half hours. It was suggested that a tour of each building take place as well. School committee business should be planned for the end of the meeting.

Tracy Post announced that Yarmouth will vote on their debt exclusion at the same time as the December 4 school building vote.

Superintendent's Report - Carol Woodbury

Superintendent Woodbury shared good news from all of the schools.

<u>ME Small</u>: They are once again having "Raise Our Flag Friday" with the Yarmouth Police Department. Also, *Donors Choose* has fully funded a request for a Social and Emotional Learning Curriculum that the PBIS team will pilot in their classrooms. The 33 books are housed in the MES library for all staff to use.

DYRSD

<u>NH Wixon</u>: Wixon had a Green & Blue Day on Friday, September 14th to support the Top Cop Game at the high school. The first PTO meeting of the year was held on September 18th with over 20 parents in attendance!

Mattacheese Middle School: Open House had the biggest turnout in over 14 years with tremendous energy and lots of happy families. 2008 D-Y Graduate Marie Kesten Zahn gave a presentation to the students on Friday, September 21st. Marie is an archaeologist currently working in the field of underwater archaeology and artifact conservation. She serves as a Solar System Ambassador for NASA and is a member of the Woods Hole chapter of 500 Women Scientists.

Station Avenue Elementary: A Book Tasting was held for all 2nd and 3rd graders; the library was turned into a restaurant complete with fresh flowers, battery operated candles and tablecloths. The students were wonderfully engaged in this activity.

<u>D-YRHS</u>: The German 5 Honors Class is teaching a class called Fun with German once a week at ME Small, Station Avenue, and the high school WAVE program.—19 students attended the Cape and Islands Candidates—Forum held in Hyannis.

Ezra Baker: 30 second and third graders began cross country running. Students hope to compete in a 5K race later this fall. Parents were able to visit the Scholastic Book Fair during Open House.

Cape Cod Collaborative - Phillip Morris, Member and Liaison

Phil Morris discussed the Board of Directors Meeting of Cape Cod Collaborative which took place on June 13, 2018 (minutes from the meeting were included in the school committee packet as enclosure 5A). It was a very productive, 3 hour meeting. End of year reconciliations, reorganization, and spending plans were discussed at the meeting along with personnel recommendations, programs and services.

Assistant Superintendent - Ken Jenks

- 1. End of Year Revision
- 2. Budget Calendar
- 3. Capital Subcommittee
- 4. Annual Safety Meeting

The members had already received a revised memo regarding Function Code Transfers to Close Out FY18. As outlined in the memo, the 3000 Function Code is Pupil Services, not Administration.

On a motion by Brian Carey, seconded by James Dykeman, and carried 7-0 it was: VOTED: To transfer \$136,863.67 from the 3000 Function Code (Pupil Services) to the 4000 Function Code (Maintenance).

Mr. Jenks distributed a tentative budget calendar. He also spoke about the annual safety meeting which took place on Friday, 9/21 at the Yarmouth Police Station.

School Committee Business

Jeni Landers read the memo from Paul Funk regarding the Top Cop Football Game and invited Tony Morrison to comment. Mr. Morrison said everyone did an outstanding job. Phil Morris and Joe Tierney voiced their agreement; Mr. Tierney adding that the Auburn players and staff were top notch.

On a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by James Dykeman, and carried 7-0, it was: VOTED: To approve the following items included in the consent agenda:

Donations:

DYRSD

Move to accept a donation of school supplies from Tom and Kathryn Murphy. Move to accept a donation of school supplies from the Masonic Angels.

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Personnel List

No items were included in the packet.

Information Items

Letter: Top Cop Football Game to Honor Fallen Yarmouth Police Sergeant Sean Gannon

Letter: Bus Transportation Policy with attachment

Items Distributed at the Meeting

Draft FY20 Budget Calendar 24 Sept 2018 ----

Top Cop Football Game Program

Bills, Requisitions, and Payroll

Bills, requisitions, and payroll were signed by the School Committee.

Calendar

- The next School Committee meeting will be held on October 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Station Avenue Elementary School cafeteria.
- The October 22nd meeting will take place at the Mattacheese Middle School Auditorium beginning at 6:00 p.m. and will include a public forum on the school building project.
- The November 5th meeting will take place at the Nathaniel Wixon School Auditorium beginning at 6:00 p.m. and will include a public forum on the school building project.

Adjournment

At 7:18 p.m., on a motion by Brian Carey, seconded by James Dykeman, and carried 7-0, it was: <u>VOTED:</u> To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Eileen M. Whalen, Assistant Secretary