



**DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA**

Monday, April 25, 2022

**Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School Library
210 Station Avenue
South Yarmouth, Massachusetts 02664**

6:30 p.m.

THIS MEETING WILL ALSO BE ACCESSIBLE TO VIEW REMOTELY:

Channel 22 Live: <https://bit.ly/3IV5MVh>

YouTube Live: <https://bit.ly/3CGdOXR>

Members Present:

Ms. Jeni Landers, Chairperson
Mr. Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson
Ms. Jennifer Rose, Secretary
Mr. Phillip Morris, Treasurer
Mr. Joe Glynn
Ms. Marilyn Bemis
Mr. Tomas Tolentino

Administration

Mrs. Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. David Flynn, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Mrs. Maria Lopes, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services and Instruction
Grace LePain and Kristen Stagg, Student Representatives to the School Committee

I. Open the Meeting (6:30 p.m.)

II. Reports

- A. D-YRSD School Committee Student Representatives – Grace LePain and Kristen Stagg
- B. Michelle Dunn – Dennis-Yarmouth Educators Association
 - 1. Citizen's Petition on Charter Schools
 - 2. Fair Share Amendment
- C. School Building Committee Report – Joseph Tierney
Vote to Amend Membership
- D. School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen
- E. Assistant Superintendent Report – David Flynn

MSBA Statement of Interest for M.E. Small Elementary School 2022 (Enclosure)
Motion: Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on April 25, 2022, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated no later than April 29, 2022 for the Marguerite E. Small Elementary School located at 440 Higgins Crowell Road, West Yarmouth, MA 02673 which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future.

Category 5: Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. The Marguerite E. Small Elementary School needs significant renovation work in all major systems. The building's exterior components including roofs, doors, windows, and masonry have all been cited as high-priority issues. The 2014 facilities audit and the updated study in February 2020 by Bureau Veritas identified the same issues along with possible structural settlement of the loading dock, interior air quality issues, leaking sanitary and heat piping, and the presence of asbestos containing materials. Additionally, the building lacks fire suppression and has multiple ADA requirement issues.

Category 7: Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements. Current capacity is reasonable, however classroom layouts and floor plans with a size of about 900 square feet limit the kinds of educational activities that would reflect best practices for the grades and specialized services that must be provided within this school;

and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

F. Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury

- III. **School Committee Business (Enclosure 3)**
Consent Agenda
- IV. **Bills, Requisitions and Payroll**
- V. **Calendars**

VI. Public Comment

VII. Adjournment

**The items listed to be discussed are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.*

***Please note: The timeframes listed above are intended to guide the School Committee in their work. It should be understood that the times are approximate, and therefore may occur earlier than noted; and may be taken out of order at the request of the Chair and a vote of the School Committee.*

Should there be a need for clarification on any of the aforementioned, please contact me prior to the meeting to allow sufficient time for further research if necessitated. Thank you. Carol A. Woodbury, Superintendent

Consent Agenda (Enclosure 3)

The Superintendent recommends the School Committee approve the following items as presented:

Minutes

March 28, 2022

April 11, 2022

Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District

296 Station Avenue, South Yarmouth, MA 02664



David M. Flynn

Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations

Phone: (508) 398-7600 Fax: (508) 398-7622

DATE: April 11, 2022

TO: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools
Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee

RE: MSBA Statement of Interest for M.E. Small Elementary School 2022

The District has previously submitted multiple Statements of Interest to the MSBA for the Marguerite E. Small Elementary School. M.E. Small continues to need major renovations and I recommend the School Committee vote to approve the submission of the Statement of Interest for Marguerite E. Small Elementary School for the 2021 cycle. The required MSBA vote language is listed below.

Motion:

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DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of a School Committee Meeting
Monday, March 28, 2022

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, March 28, 2022, at the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School Library in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Members Present: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; Phillip Morris, Treasurer; Jennifer Rose, Secretary; Marilyn Bemis; Tomas Tolentino; Grace LePain, Student Representative to the School Committee; Kristen Stagg, Student Representative to the School Committee.

Members Not Present: Joe Glynn

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Maria Lopes, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services and Instruction; David Flynn, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Paul Funk, Principal, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School; Aeva DaBreo; Halley Hammond; Vida Morris.

At 6:32 p.m., Jeni Landers, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

Recognition – Black History Month Essay Winner

Aeva DaBreo – Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School

Superintendent Woodbury introduced Aeva DaBreo, an 8th grader in Mrs. Economides' ELA class at Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School. Aeva read her winning Black History Month essay. The Committee, along with Superintendent Woodbury, was very impressed and congratulated Aeva.

Reports:

DYRSD School Committee Student Representatives – Grace LePain and Kristen Stagg

Grace reported on the Winter Guard's first place finish at the regionals in Philadelphia. The NHS blood drive was very successful. The theme for the prom is Enchanted Evening. Kristen reported on the ending of the third term. The spring play is *The Addams Family* and show dates are April 29 and 30.

Policy Review Subcommittee

Superintendent Woodbury informed the Committee that the Policy Review Subcommittee met to review several policies. Those policies are now for review by the full committee at this meeting.

1. JKAA – Physical Restraint of Students – Update (2nd Reading)
Maria Lopes reported that there have been many changes to the physical restraint policy. Many different layers have been added; a crisis team, Special Education Teachers, and specialized training. There were no questions from the committee regarding this policy.
2. AC – Non-Discrimination – Update (2nd Reading)
Carol Woodbury reported that these policies come from MASC and have been reviewed by their attorneys. This policy now includes harassment and retaliation as well as school committee affirmations. Joe Tierney asked if most districts in compliance with this policy; Mrs. Woodbury said yes.
3. AC-R – Non-Discrimination Policy Including Harassment and Retaliation-
Update (2nd Reading)
There were no questions from the Committee.

4. ACAB – Sexual Harassment – Update (2nd Reading)

The superintendent reviewed this policy; the definition has been expanded to include due process. Mr. Morris asked when these policies will appear on the district website; this will occur after the third reading and approval from the school committee. There were no other questions.

5. JICK – Harassment of Students – Update (2nd Reading)

The superintendent reported that the policy broadens harassment of students to include texting, blogging, and any electronic means. Jeni Landers said that it is important to read all of these carefully; much of this is outside of the committee's control.

6. EEA – Transportation of Students – Update (2nd Reading)

Policy EEA has been changed to reflect the grade configurations in each school. There were no questions from the committee.

School Building Committee Report – Joseph Tierney

Mr. Tierney reported that all is going well. Mr. Flynn added that he recently toured the site and everything is on schedule and looking great. Mrs. Woodbury added that a tour for the committee is in the works for April 11th at 5:30 right before the next school committee meeting. The site is muddy and dirty and everyone should dress accordingly.

School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen

Dennis: Chair Landers reported that the Dennis Finance Committee will be meeting tomorrow.
Yarmouth: No report.

Assistant Superintendent Report – David Flynn

Mr. Flynn reported that he will be meeting with the Dennis Finance Committee tomorrow.

Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury

The superintendent began her report by sharing the news of the Winter Guard's 1st place finish at the Winter Guard International competition. She especially noted the work of Kevin, Ashley and Tyler Karras. She also noted that three weeks past February vacation the district's Covid numbers remain low.

School Year Calendars 2022-2023 and 2023-2024

The superintendent referenced the draft calendars for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 which were included in the packet. After a brief discussion, on a motion by Phil Morris, seconded by Joseph Tierney and carried unanimously 6-0 it was

VOTED: To approve the school calendar for the year 2022-2023.

The committee opted to hold on voting the 2023-2024 calendar until the next meeting scheduled for April 11, 2022.

School Committee Business

Consent Agenda:

On a motion by Phil Morris, seconded by Joseph Tierney, and carried unanimously 6-0, it was VOTED: To approve the following items as presented in the Consent Agenda:

Donations:

Move to accept a \$500 donation to establish the Paul Marinello Memorial Scholarship in memory of Paul Marinello as per Mrs. Saucier's memo of March 15, 2022.

Surplus:

Move to declare as surplus 83 “The Music Connection” hard cover music books as per Mr. Crowell’s memo of March 14, 2022.

Move to declare as surplus one 2001 Chevrolet Cutaway Van and one 2006 Ford Cutaway Van as per Mr. Flynn’s March 28 memo with accompanying photographs.

Minutes:

March 14, 2022

Bills, Requisitions, and Payroll

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

Calendars

The upcoming calendars were included in the packet.

Public Comment

Vida Morris asked for clarification on the recent community forum with Dr. Wornum.

Adjournment

At 7:15 p.m., on a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Jennifer Rose, and carried unanimously 6-0; it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary

DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Monday, April 11, 2022

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Members Present: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; Phillip Morris, Treasurer; Marilyn Bemis; Joe Glynn; Tomas Tolentino; Grace LePain, Student Representative to the School Committee.

Members Not Present: Jennifer Rose, Secretary

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Maria Lopes, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services and Instruction; David Flynn, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Betsy Pontius, Director of STEM; Sherry Santini, Director of Humanities and the Arts; Michael Bovino, Principal, Mattacheese Middle School; Tim Blake, Principal, Nathaniel Wixon School; Meaghan McDonnell, EL Coordinator.

At 6:37 p.m., Jeni Landers, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

Reports:

DYRSD School Committee Student Representative – Grace LePain

Grace reported on spring sports, AP exams, and yearbooks. The spring play *The Addams Family* will run on April 29 and 30.

Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury

Meaghan McDonnell – EL Presentation

District EL Coordinator Meaghan McDonnell, along with Director of Humanities and the Arts Sherry Santini, gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the English Learners Program. Ms. McDonnell noted that the district uses an asset-based approach; 13% of district students are multilingual with Portuguese, Spanish and Haitian-Creole being the main languages. There are 25 languages in total represented. Numbers of recent arrivals are increasing; many who could not come due to the pandemic are starting to come now. Dennis-Yarmouth is a Sheltered English Immersion district. 98% of district teachers are SEI endorsed. An ELPAC (English Learner Parent Advisory Council) has been established to help families. Ms. Santini told the committee that there had been an in-person ELPAC meeting just prior to the pandemic which was well-attended and well-received. There are plans for another in-person meeting in the fall. There are ESL classes available for parents. There were translators available for kindergarten registration.

The presentation was followed by questions from the Committee. The members asked how the Committee can help; is there separate funding for adult education for parents; would more staff help? The superintendent said that she would like to hire more EL teachers but that housing for teachers in general is very expensive. Grace LePain asked that with all the extra pressure on the district teachers what is being done to support them. Ms. Santini said that the teachers are SEI endorsed, there are many professional development opportunities and course reimbursement; EL assistants are in the classrooms. Chair Landers advised Grace that if she had further questions she could make an appointment with Ms. Santini. Mr. Tierney thanked Ms. McDonnell and Ms. Santini for their informative presentation. He asked where the newcomers are coming from. Ms. McDonnell called it a “pandemic pause” and that it is not unique to our district.

Policy Review Subcommittee

Superintendent Woodbury recommended that the committee approve several policies at this, the third reading. After a brief discussion, on a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Philip Morris, and carried unanimously 6-0 it was

VOTED: To approve Policy JKAA–Physical Restraint of Students, as presented.

On a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Philip Morris, and carried unanimously 6-0 it was

VOTED: To approve Policy AC–Non-Discrimination, as presented.

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VOTED: To approve Policy ACAB–Sexual Harassment, as presented.

On a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Philip Morris, and carried unanimously 6-0 it was

VOTED: To approve Policy JICK–Harassment of Students, as presented.

On a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Philip Morris, and carried unanimously 6-0 it was

VOTED: To approve Policy EEA–Transportation of Students, as presented.

2023-2024 School Year Calendar

On a motion by Joe Glynn, seconded by Phil Morris and carried unanimously 6-0 it was

VOTED: To approve the 2023-2024 district calendar as presented.

Mrs. Woodbury referenced the Information Item included in the packet regarding Mattacheese Middle School Social Studies teacher Brian Monroe’s nomination for the William Spratt Award for Excellence. She also congratulated the winners of the Cape Cod 5 mini grants.

School Building Committee Report –Joseph Tierney

Mr. Tierney said that all is going well and that the School Committee had toured the site just prior to this meeting.

School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen

Dennis: Marilyn Bemis reported on the budget process and that there is a citizen’s petition on the ballot concerning school choice.

Yarmouth: Joe Glynn said that there has been a new precinct added in Yarmouth.

Assistant Superintendent Report – David Flynn

Mr. Flynn said that furniture has been ordered for the new school. He added that there will be an MSBA Statement of Interest for the M.E. Small School on the agenda for the next School Committee meeting.

Bills, Requisitions, and Payroll

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

Calendars

The upcoming calendars were included in the packet.

Information Item

Mrs. Woodbury referenced this item in her report.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

At 7:44 p.m., on a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Tomas Tolentino, and carried unanimously 6-0; it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary

April 2022

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	School Committee D-Y High School 6:30 p.m.			School Building Committee Meeting 4:30 p.m.	Good Friday No School	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Patriot's Day April Vacation	April Vacation	April Vacation	April Vacation	April Vacation	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	School Committee D-Y High School 6:30 p.m.		Community Forum Dr. Kalise Wornum D-Y High School 6:30 p.m.			
1	2	Notes				

May 2022

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8	9 School Committee D-Y High School 6:30 p.m.	10	11	12	13	14
15 Celebration of Life Honoring Ken Jenks D-Y High School 1:00 p.m.	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 School Committee D-Y High School 6:30 p.m.	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	Notes				