



DYRSD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Monday, November 18, 2019

Station Avenue Elementary School
276 Station Avenue
South Yarmouth, MA

6:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order at _____, due notice having been posted.

Members Present:

Ms. Jeni Landers, Chairperson
Mr. Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson
Ms. Andrea St. Germain, Secretary
Mr. Brian Carey, Treasurer
Mr. James Dykeman
Mr. Brian Sullivan
Mr. Phillip Morris

Administration

Mrs. Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Kenneth Jenks, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative and Business Services
Tainan Nunes, Student Representative to the DYRSD School Committee

- I. **Open the Meeting (6:30 p.m.)**
- II. **D-YRHS Recipients of the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship**
- III. **Reports (6:50 p.m.)**
 - A. DYRSD School Committee Student Representative – Tainan Nunes
 - B. Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury
Independence House – Chris Morin, Bob Ravenelle
 - C. Assistant Superintendent Report – Ken Jenks
 - D. School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen – B. Carey, Dennis; J. Tierney, Yarmouth
- IV. **School Committee Business (7:15 p.m.)**
Consent Agenda
- V. **Bills, Requisitions and Payroll**
- VI. **Calendars (Enc. #6)**
- VII. **Information Items**
Thank You Letter from Peter Crowell, SAE Principal to Mr. John Drake of South Yarmouth
Thank You Letter from Peter Crowell, SAE Principal to the Dennis-Yarmouth Lions Club
See Yourself in S.T.E.M. Invitation
- VIII. **Public Comment Period (7:30 p.m.)**

IX. Executive Session

The Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee will enter into Executive Session, not to return to Public Session, for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. (DYEA Negotiations)

X. Adjourn (7:45 p.m.)

**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 #4)

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

Donations

Move to accept a generous donation of \$640.00 to the Kim Jones MMS Athletic Fund per Mrs. Knell's memo of October 17, 2019.

Move to accept donations in various denominations to the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School Athletic Department in memory of Bob Stead per Dr. Funk's memorandums dated October 18, October 21, October 23, October 24, November 1, November 6, and November 12, 2019.

Move to accept a donation of dictionaries and bookmarks for Station Avenue third graders along with classroom copies of *Webster's Vocabulary Skill Builder* and *Webster's Thesaurus for Students* from the Hyannis Elks Lodge.

Move to accept a donation of seventy-five dictionaries to the Ezra H. Baker Innovation School from the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

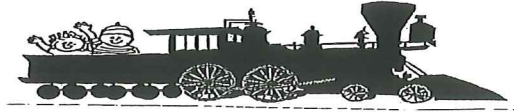
Minutes

October 7, 2019

October 21, 2019

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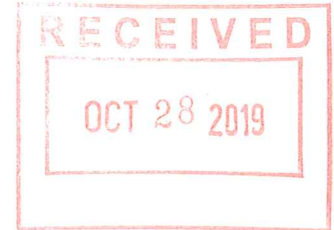


"All aboard for the future...."

Peter J. Crowell
Principal

Patricia A. Leary
Assistant Principal

October 23, 2019



Mr. John Drake
18 Mistletoe Lane
South Yarmouth, MA 02664

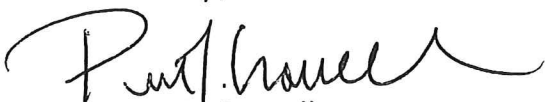
Dear John,

Thank you for volunteering to assemble the new Kindergarten Kids Craft Kitchen. You and Tommy did a fantastic job!

Ms. Pementel could not be more pleased. I appreciate you taking time out of your day and coming to SAE with your expert skills. The students are already enjoying their new kitchen while learning important lessons.

Thank you and Tommy!

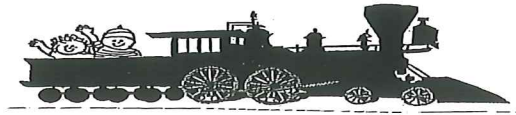
Sincerely,


Peter J. Crowell
Principal

cc: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent
Carol Pementel, Kindergarten Teacher
Sandra Cashen, Facilities Manager

PJC/cc

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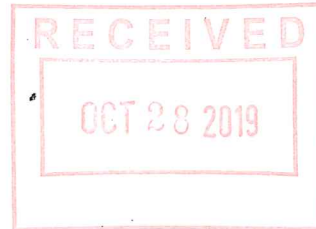


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Dennis-Yarmouth Lions Club
22 Stillbrook Road
S. Yarmouth, MA 02664

To Whom It May Concern:

On Tuesday, October 15, Station Avenue Elementary School was lucky to have four of your representatives visit our school and perform vision screening for all our Grade 1 through Grade 3 students.

I would like to thank your organization, especially Jane Dumas-Otis, Sandra Fife, David Kapitulik and Gary Wilcox for their expertise and time spent here with our students. Sharon DiPrete, our School Nurse, was very appreciative and I thank her for scheduling this much needed service.

Sincerely,

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Peter J. Crowell
Principal

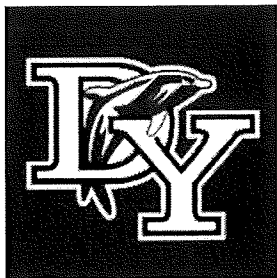
cc: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent
Sharon DiPrete, SAE School Nurse

PJC/cc

SEE YOURSELF IN S.T.E.M!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25



- ◆ Don't miss our alumni hall of fame located in the intersection between 200 and 100 wings! Read bios of DY grads working in STEM!
- ◆ Inter-disciplinary activities school wide
- ◆ Special thank you to MassHire Workforce Development Board for sponsoring the event.

SCIENCE AT DY

- 2019 MCAS scores for Physics: 97% Advanced or Proficient
- 2019 MCAS scores for Biology: 87% Advanced or Proficient
- AP level Biology, Chemistry and Physics
- 25 current members of Science National Honor Society
- Partnerships with Tufts School of Medicine, AMGEN Biotech Experience- a Harvard life science outreach program , MIT Club of Cape Cod, Werner-Schmidt Observatory, Cape Cod Cooperative Extension, Transitions Center of Yarmouth
- Elective courses in Horticulture, Oceanography, Infectious Disease, Biotechnology, Biology of Cancer, Global STEM, Engineering Design

STEM WEEK GUEST SPEAKERS

Speaking A and B period in the Auditorium on Wednesday, October 23rd

Dr. James Lynch is an Oceanographer (Senior Scientist) at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) here on Cape Cod. He has traveled the oceans testing the underwater acoustical (sound) properties of the ocean. He has received science awards for his work and written many scientific reports that prepared him to become a Chief Editor overseeing many science publications. A good neighbor, Dr. Lynch is Director of the WS Observatory at DY and mentors HS Astronomy projects.

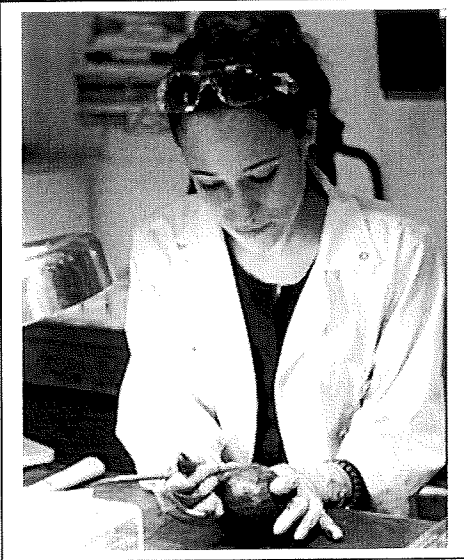
Speaking C period in the Auditorium on Wednesday, October 23rd. Our partner school from Mexico will be Skyping in to this "live" as well!

Do you know what is the most important change in STEM that will influence your life? It is important for you to participate in a dialogue about technology that is shaping YOUR future. Join this session with Mrs. Larisa Schelkin to learn more about some exciting STEM innovations:

artificial intelligence, quantum computing, nanotechnology, "cave" collaborative technology, holoportation, smart materials, self-driving, and flying cars, and more. Did you know there is an on-going national discussion about the importance of every high school in the country to offer a course on Artificial intelligence, STEM innovations, global collaboration and the future of work, the skills needed for your generation to be successful? You are very fortunate that DY is one of the leaders in education and offering Global STEM courses for the last 9 years. Congratulations! Your future starts HERE at DY!

Speaking in Science Classes

- Dr. Reviti Masilamani- Project leader and Research Associate Tufts University
- Jim Todaro- Alpha Analytical
- Larry Dapsis- Entomologist
- Lt. Patrick Grady- MA Environmental Police



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Marie Kesten-Zahn Archaeologist,
Conservator, Space Scientist

Marie is an archaeologist, artifact conservator, and space scientist. She grew up on Cape Cod and graduated from Dennis- Yarmouth Regional High School in 2008.

Marie received her Bachelor's of Science from Florida Institute of Technology, where she studied astrophysics, interdisciplinary science, and history. Her love of astronomy led her to pursue a career in the human history of science, receiving a Master of Arts from Florida State for her work in Mesoamerican and Indigenous North American Archaeoastronomy.

Marie specialized in solar archaeoastronomy and the measurement of time through the careful observation and recording of celestial phenomena by ancient societies as evident in their cultural practices, mythology, tools, texts, and archaeological sites. She has travelled around the world, working and touring sites in Central America, Greece, and Egypt.

She serves as a Solar System Ambassador for NASA, acting as a liaison between the space agency and the public, spreading awareness of current and upcoming NASA missions and share news about ongoing work in the space sciences. As a Solar System Ambassador, her goal is to bring space science to local communities to make it accessible to those who might not otherwise get to hear about or participate in celestial-based STEAM activities!

Marie is now engaged in a mapping and archival project for a historical cemetery, and was previously employed by Bridgewater State University after spending three years working at the Whydah Pirate Museum in West Yarmouth as an archaeologist, conservator, and science education coordinator with the shipwrecked artifacts from The Whydah Galley. Through her work as an artefact conservator, she has appeared in various filmed and printed interviews and television programs with media outlets such as the Associated Press, the Discovery Channel, as well as national and local news. She has recently accepted a position on the board of directors for the Massachusetts Archaeological Society.

Now that she has progressed in her career as a historian and scientist, Marie feels that she is in a position to give back to the community where she grew up. She serves on the Science Advisory Board at the Sandwich STEM Academy as well as the School Council at Station Avenue Elementary School in Yarmouth. Marie believes that encouraging students to explore the STEM fields and providing opportunities to experience real world applications of science is the key to inspiring the next generation of scholars. A proud member of the Cape Cod chapter of the 500 Women Scientists, Marie aims to make science open, inclusive, and accessible to anyone that's curious about the past, present, and future!



Mattacheese Middle School

400 Higgins Crowell Road
West Yarmouth, MA 02673

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Ann P. Knell
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Michael Bovino
Elijah Switzer
Assistant Principals

October 17, 2019

Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools
296 Station Avenue
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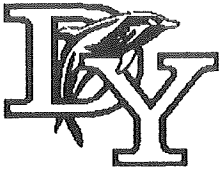


Dear Carol,

I submit the following donation to Mattacheese Middle School for acceptance by the DY School Committee:

A generous donation to the Kim Jones MMS Athletic Fund in the amount of \$640.00

Ann Knell



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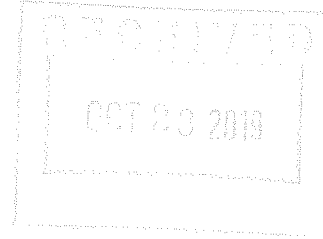
MEMORANDUM

TO: Carol Woodbury
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dr. Paul A. Funk
Principal 

DATE: October 18, 2019

RE: Gifts

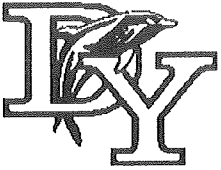


The following people/businesses have made a donation to our Athletic Department, in memory of Bob Stead:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Dave and Evie Barbo	\$50.00
Wally and Kathleen Barisonck	\$50.00
John and Kate Castleberry	\$100.00
The Claus Family	\$100.00
Mary and Dennis Colbert	\$100.00
Kenneth Colmer	\$100.00
Robert and Kathy Corradi	\$50.00
The Cutler Family	\$200.00
Dennis Men's Early Bird Association	\$50.00
Captain Jonathan Edwards	\$1,000.00
Linda and Arthur Gelb	\$25.00
Irene and Edward Goley	\$50.00
Stephen Gouveia	\$25.00
Margo Greenhow	\$50.00
Carol Hayes	\$25.00
Walter and Marie Hewins	\$25.00
Carol Kelley	\$20.00
The Lyons	\$100.00
Bob and Betsey McPherson	\$50.00
Joan and Pete Partridge	\$50.00
Cheryl St. Onge	\$50.00

Kevin and Nancy Stewart	\$500.00
Dolly and Len Vera	\$100.00
Ellen and Richard Yorks	\$25.00

On behalf of our students and teachers, I ask that you accept this gift. Thank you.



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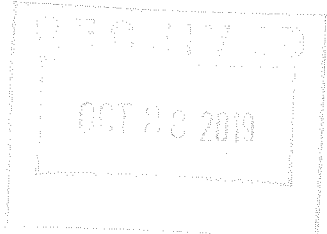
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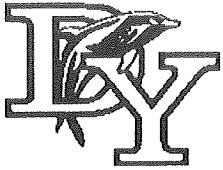
DATE: October 21, 2019

RE: Gifts

The following people/businesses have made a donation to our Athletic Department, in memory of Bob Stead:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Jim and Cheryl Cooke	\$25.00
Patti and Paul Hartz	\$100.00
Mark and Karen Ryan	\$15.00
Steele Associates Real Estate	\$100.00

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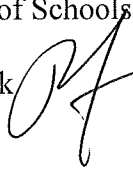
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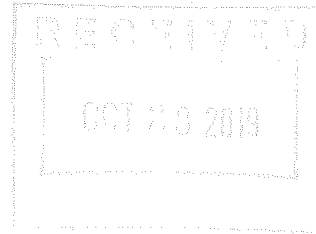
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TO: Carol Woodbury
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dr. Paul A. Funk
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DATE: October 23, 2019

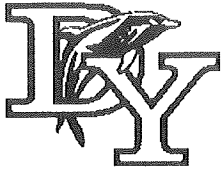
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The following people/businesses have made a donation to our Athletic Department, in memory of Bob Stead:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Ms. Phyllis Webster	\$10.00
Joanne Creel	\$50.00
Arleen and Earl Mathewson	\$50.00
Lou Kovacs and family	\$250.00

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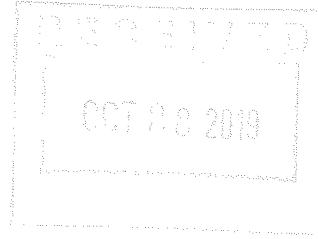
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TO: Carol Woodbury
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dr. Paul A. Funk
Principal

DATE: October 24, 2019

RE: Gifts



The following people/businesses have made a donation to our Athletic Department, in memory of Bob Stead:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Tom and Jean Slyman	\$50.00
Beth Verani	\$20.00
Richard and Janet Colby	\$100.00
The Boskey family	\$50.00
Jim and Paula Lieb	\$150.00
Fred and Pam Stein	\$50.00

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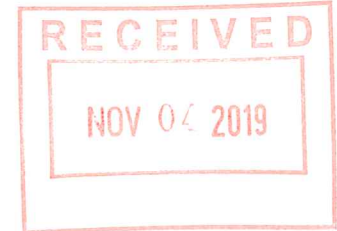
MEMORANDUM

TO: Carol Woodbury
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dr. Paul A. Funk 
Principal

DATE: November 1, 2019

RE: Gifts



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<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Tim and Terri Bunce	\$50.00
The Dennis Niners	\$100.00
Dick and Janie Biro	\$50.00
Tori Edwards	\$75.00
The Mucci Family	\$25.00
Darleen F. Ahern-McElroy	\$25.00
Laurie and Jim Gainey	\$100.00
Susan and Rich French	\$50.00

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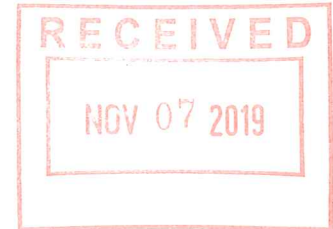
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TO: Carol Woodbury
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dr. Paul A. Funk
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DATE: November 6, 2019

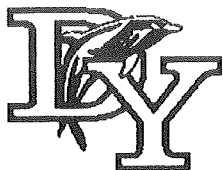
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The following people/businesses have made a donation to our Athletic Department, in memory of Bob Stead:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox Baseball Club	\$250.00

On behalf of our students and teachers, I ask that you accept this gift. Thank you.



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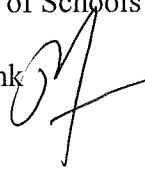
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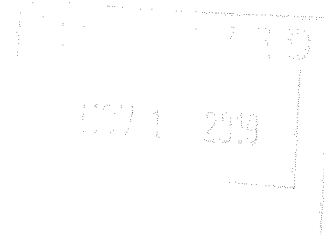
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TO: Carol Woodbury
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dr. Paul A. Funk
Principal 

DATE: November 12, 2019

RE: Gifts

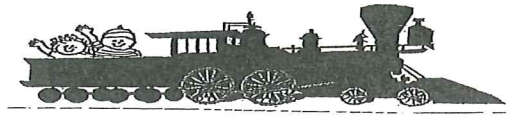


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<u>Donor</u>	<u>Gift</u>
Jason and Christine Lerner	\$100.00

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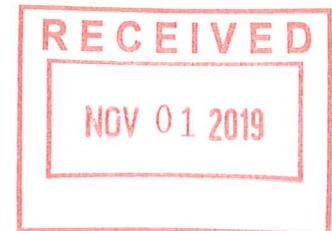


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Peter J. Crowell
Principal

Patricia A. Leary
Assistant Principal

October 30, 2019



The Elks Lodge #1549
852 Bearses Way
Hyannis, MA 02601

Dear Elks Lodge Community,

Thank you very much for another year of "The Best Dictionary for Students" and the bookmark for each of our grade three students. The teachers were thrilled to also receive the *Webster's Vocabulary Skill Builder* and the *Webster's Thesaurus for Students* to keep in their classrooms.

This generous donation has been received from your organization for numerous years now. Our teachers and students appreciate this donation as do I.

Sincerely,

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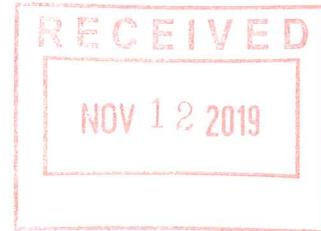
Peter J. Crowell
Principal

cc: Mrs. Woodbury, Superintendent
SAE Grade Three Teachers

EHB*i*
EZRA H. BAKER INNOVATION SCHOOL

Kevin F. Depin - Principal
Ellen Flanagan - Assistant Principal

November 7, 2019



Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools
296 Station Avenue
South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Dear Carol:

I respectfully submit the following donation to Ezra H. Baker Innovation School for review and acceptance by the D-Y School Committee:

A donation of seventy-five dictionaries was made on behalf of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

I am grateful for their generous donation, and we will ensure that they will be put to good use.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin F. Depin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kevin F. Depin
Principal
KFD/Pmc

DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of a School Committee Meeting
Monday, October 7, 2019

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, October 7, 2019, at the Station Avenue Elementary School in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Members Present: Andrea St. Germain, Secretary; James Dykeman, Jr.; Brian Sullivan; and Phillip Morris.

Members Absent: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; Brian Carey, Treasurer.

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Kenneth Jenks, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative and Business Services; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Carole Eichner, Director of Early Education; Maria Lopes, Director of Pupil Services; Leila Maxwell, Director of STEM Instruction; Sherry Santini, Director of Instruction for Humanities and the Arts; Paul Funk, Principal, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School; Ann Knell, Principal, Mattacheese Middle School; Tim Blake, Principal, Nathaniel H. Wixon School; Kevin Depin, Principal, Ezra H. Baker Innovation School; Peter Crowell, Principal, Station Avenue Elementary School; Patrick Riley, Principal, Marguerite E. Small School; Michelle Dunn; Vida Morris; Curt Sears.

At 6:30 p.m., James Dykeman called the meeting to order.

Reports

DYRSD School Committee Student Representative – Tainan Nunes

The student representative was absent; no report.

Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury

2019 MCAS and Accountability Results

Mrs. Woodbury showed a PowerPoint presentation on the 2019 MCAS and Accountability results. She began with an overall explanation of the results then followed by reviewing each school's results. She explained that the state sets targets for the schools. She invited the 3 elementary school principals to expand on the topic:

Peter Crowell, Station Avenue Elementary:

Mr. Crowell said that they had set a math target goal which they almost reached at 59%. He said that the math coach, Betsy Pontius, is working with the PLCs on pacing and refining. In ELA they exceeded the target; each year builds on the prior year. They have spent time regrouping students to support the neediest readers in a timelier manner. Staff meeting time is being spent discussing specific students and their needs.

Patrick Riley, MES Elementary:

Mr. Riley discussed the math performance. He felt that the gaps are closing. He said this is a whole school issue; not a third grade issue. STEM Director Leila Maxwell will join Mr. Riley in classroom observations to help evaluate next steps. In ELA he said they are making overall gains and are closer than 2 years ago. There is much to do including pacing, units of study, and frequency of data sharing.

Kevin Depin, Ezra H. Baker Innovation School:

Mr. Depin said they met their goals in ELA and they are closing in on state averages. It is about the details; patterns can be seen starting in kindergarten. They had a strong performance in math and exceeded state averages although not every group met targets.

Questions and discussion followed. Mr. Riley announced an upcoming math fair and pasta dinner in November. The committee thanked the principals for their presentations.

Mrs. Woodbury then reviewed the results for grades 4-12 and invited those principals to speak.

Tim Blake, Principal, Nathaniel H. Wixon School:

Mr. Blake said there was some improvement in ELA; he felt that the attendance at Wixon is good. He will be observing classes with Sherry Santini, Director of Humanities and the Arts. There was some improvement in math as well.

Ann Knell, Principal, Mattacheese Middle School:

Mrs. Knell was pleased with improvements. They are calibrating observations; what standard is being taught. They have had one benchmark in math so far this year. Students can get extra help in math RTI.

Paul Funk, Principal, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School:

Dr. Funk said that this is the first time the 10th graders used technology to take the test. He commended the teachers; in particular Amy Chausse who piloted an intro to physics course which resulted in those students scoring in the 97% advanced and proficient range on the science MCAS. He said that overall there is room for improvement but that they are on the right track.

Discussion followed and the committee thanked the principals for their presentations.

School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen – B. Carey, Dennis; J. Tierney, Yarmouth

Brian Carey, Dennis: Mr. Carey was absent; no report.

Joe Tierney, Yarmouth: Mr. Tierney was absent; no report.

Assistant Superintendent Report – Ken Jenks: No report.

School Committee Business

Consent Agenda

On a motion by Phillip Morris, seconded by Andrea St. Germain, and carried 4-0, it was VOTED: To approve the following items as presented in the consent agenda:

Acceptance of Donations

Move to accept with gratitude a donation of school and craft supplies to the Station Avenue Elementary School from Ms. Laurie Canning of South Yarmouth.

Minutes

September 23, 2019

Bills, Requisitions, and Payroll

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

Calendars

The next school committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Station Avenue Elementary School. Mr. Dykeman made note of the early release days for parent-teacher conferences on October 22 and 24. Dennis and Yarmouth will hold town meetings on Tuesday, October 29, at 7:00 p.m. The MASS/MASC Annual Conference will take place November 6-9 in Hyannis. The high school fall play takes place November 22-24.

Information Items

Special Education Press Release October 1, 2019
Town of Yarmouth Flu Shot Clinic November 21, 2019

Items Distributed at the Meeting

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Proclamation - Food Service Workers' Recognition Week
Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District 2019 District Accountability Review

Public Comment Period

Vida Morris questioned the term "teaching to the test." Mrs. Woodbury said that there are state standards that all schools in Massachusetts must follow concerning what students are required to know and be able to do. Teachers use the standards set by the State of Massachusetts to teach their students.

Adjournment

At 8:25 p.m., on a motion by Phillip Morris, seconded by Andrea St. Germain and carried 4-0, it was VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Eileen M. Whalen, Assistant Secretary

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DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of a School Committee Meeting
Monday, October 21, 2019

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, October 21, 2019, at the Station Avenue Elementary School in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Members Present: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Andrea St. Germain, Secretary; Brian Carey, Treasurer; and Phillip Morris.

Members Absent: James Dykeman; Brian Sullivan; and Joseph Tierney, Assistant Chairperson.

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Ken Jenks, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative and Business Services; Jane Saucier, Substitute Recording Secretary to the School Committee for Eileen Whalen; Paul Funk, Principal, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School; Tim Blake, Principal, Nathaniel H. Wixon School; Tracy Post, Yarmouth Board of Selectmen; James Plath, Dennis Finance Committee; Michelle Dunn, DYEA; Vida Morris.

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

Reports

A. D-YRSD School Committee Student Representative – Tainan Nunes

Tainan reported that D-Y Color Guard won the Somerset competition and will compete again in Connecticut in the upcoming weekend. He also reported that the Marching Band has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$5,500.00 for the purchase of new band uniform pants. Tainan also reported on Homecoming/Spirit week at D-Y High School last week. The Homecoming Dance was a huge success this year with a higher attendance in comparison to past years and students displayed a lot of school spirit throughout the week. Eighth grade officers have been elected and will begin fundraising soon. D-Y Athletics are all working hard, training and continue to win in their athletic areas. This year's Seaside Festival had a good turnout. There has been discussion regarding a potential for a Math Honor Society. The Math Team is looking into Math Club sweaters.

B. Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury

Chris Morin from the Independence House was invited to attend the meeting but was unable to attend. No further report.

C. Assistant Superintendent Report – Ken Jenks

Mr. Jenks reported that at present things are relatively quiet but moving along as we are in the early stages of preparation for the FY21 budget. He also reported that buses seem to be in a good place now that school has been in session. They (Ken and the bus company) are looking into better positioning of bus routes and stops for better efficiency. He also reported that since the routes have been posted by the schools, things seem to be working well. The bus company continues to work hard to provide good service.

D. School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen – B. Carey, Dennis; J. Tierney, Yarmouth

Brian Carey, Dennis: Mr. Carey spoke about the importance of town support from both Dennis and Yarmouth for the upcoming town meetings. Voters need to be informed about the importance of the Regional Agreement and Amendments and the importance of moving forward with the understanding of what the impacts will be. He also reported that he and Ken Jenks attended the Finance Committee Meeting in Dennis and how strongly Ken defended the District's position in this matter. Brian also shared that in Dennis, the second lawsuit leaves a great deal of concern for the new school and many are still uncomfortable. Brian suggested a new amendment and that this would be an ongoing discussion. He continued by saying the Article Amendment and Agreement between the two towns, there could be potential that the new school would not be built. He said there is a need for a special school committee meeting next week, potentially on Monday, October 28, 2019. Brian is in support of a new amendment. Brian further discussed that it was not appropriate to move forward with this discussion tonight due to other members not being present to participate in the discussion. The upcoming Monday meeting date is yet to be confirmed.

Mr. Carey also spoke briefly regarding a student at D-Y High School that has been recently diagnosed with Leukemia and that there is active fundraising going on to support her during this time, further stating that she needs help. There will be a fundraiser in November to further support her. For information, Brian says to contact him if you would like to purchase tickets or offer silent auction items.

Joseph Tierney, Yarmouth: Mr. Tierney was not present; therefore no report.

School Committee Business

A. Town Meetings

1. Possible Amendment to School Committee Article on Regional Agreement

Brian Carey commented that if there were an Amendment that it would need to pass in both towns and that the articles for both towns should be identical. Jeni Landers expressed the importance of the Yarmouth Selectmen needing to stand by this. Phil Morris explained how the School Committee has to answer to the town or municipality.

2. Moving Articles

Jeni Landers to move in Dennis.

Joe Tierney not present at this meeting.

B. Consent Agenda

On a motion by Phillip Morris, seconded by Jeni Landers, and carried 4-0, it was

VOTED: To approve the following items as presented in the consent agenda:

Acceptance of Donations

Move to accept with gratitude donations totaling \$355.00 from multiple donors to the S.E.A.L.S. Program at the Ezra H. Baker Innovation School in Memory of Robert L. Beauchemin.

Move to accept with gratitude a donation of \$2000.00 from Jessie Tanguay and Son Drywall for the deferment of school lunch expenses for Station Avenue Elementary School Families.

Field Trip Approval

Approval of MMS German/Spanish Club trip to New York City (May 13-15, 2020).
Approval of MMS French Club trip to Quebec City (May 20-23, 2020).

Bills, Requisitions and Payroll

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

Calendars

The next scheduled meeting of the school committee is Monday, November 4, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Station Avenue Elementary School.

Information Items

Letter from the Bilezikian Family Foundation to Mr. Alex Pendleton.

Public Comment Period

Tracy Post expressed her disappointment with how the amendment discussion was presented. Vida Morris requested a detailed information sheet regarding the \$311,000.00 adjusted budget that dates back to July 2019. James Plath said that if the School Committee does not bring forward an amendment, it will be voted down by Dennis, indicating a potential vote of 7-0. He requested that the new amendment be tied to the release of MSBA funds. Michelle Dunn spoke with regards to a DYEA fundraiser to continue to fund scholarships for DY High School Seniors. The event is "Music Bingo" from 5:30-8:30 at The Cove in West Yarmouth. The event will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2019. Tickets are on sale for \$20.00 and there will also be a silent auction.

Executive Session

There was no Executive Session held this evening in lieu of member absences.

Adjournment

At 7:14 p.m., on a motion by Brian Carey, seconded by Andrea St. Germain and carried 4-0, it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Jane Saucier, Acting Assistant Recording Secretary

DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of a School Committee Meeting
Monday, October 28, 2019

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, October 28, 2019, 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; Brian Sullivan; and Phillip Morris.

Members Absent: James Dykeman, Jr.

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Kenneth Jenks, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative and Business Services; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Leila Maxwell, Director of STEM Instruction; Paul Funk, Principal, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School; Chris Lambton, Chris Flanagan, Dennis Board of Selectmen; Tracy Post, Norm Holcomb, Michael Stone, Yarmouth Board of Selectmen; Michelle Dunn; Curt Sears; Kristen Young.

At 5:45 p.m., Jeni Landers called the meeting to order.

Public Comment Period

Tracy Post stated for the record that the Yarmouth Selectmen support the settlement agreement and do not support the proposed amendment. Norm Holcomb also supports the settlement agreement adding that there could be a breach of contract if the proposed amendment is brought before the voters. Mike Stone said that the Yarmouth Board of Selectmen had just met in Executive Session where it was agreed that they will only support the article as written and that any amendment would violate the signed contract. The board's position is that any amendments would violate the contract signed in July and if an amendment is proposed and voted on they will file a motion to reinstate the appeal. Michelle Dunn announced that child care will be available at both town meeting locations and there would be signs indicating the location.

School Committee Business

A. Consider Amendment to the Special Town Meeting Warrant Article on the Regional Agreement Changes.

Mr. Morris indicated that he thought the discussion was worthwhile but that he does not support the amendment. Mr. Carey said that he initiated and asked for consideration of the amendment due to the second lawsuit. He had expected a ruling from the New Bedford Superior Court regarding the private citizen lawsuit by now. Ms. Landers felt that Dennis supported the agreement because of the new school. Mr. Sullivan said that he would never vote for a new school if there were no state money attached. He said a lot of work was done and budgets were cut that impacted vulnerable students. Mr. Morris recommended that they do nothing. Mr. Tierney felt that the agreement is a fair deal and the result of much hard work. Ms. Landers said all parties have to support the agreement; Mr. Sullivan agreed. Mr. Carey said that he brought the amendment forward in his role as the school committee liaison and that he agrees with it. He stated further that he would fully support whatever action the school committee takes.

Brian Carey moved to amend Article 1 as follows: I move that we amend the previous vote on the amendment provided however that such amendment shall only take effect upon the execution of the project funding agreement by the MSBA and the Regional School Committee for the building project to replace Mattacheese and Wixon Schools.

Andrea St. Germain seconded.

Brian Sullivan objected to the consideration of the motion. The chair asked for a vote on Mr. Sullivan's objection. Two members were in agreement; 3 were opposed, and Ms. Landers abstained. After further discussion Ms. Landers voted in opposition to the objection. The final vote was 4-2 against the objection to the consideration of the motion. The motion continues.

The chair called for a roll call vote on the main motion. The motion fails 4-2.

Brian Carey	yes
Phillip Morris	no
Andrea St. Germain	yes
Brian Sullivan	no
Joseph Tierney	no
Jeni Landers	no

Items Distributed at the Meeting

Memo re Two Possible Motions for an Amendment
Copy of Email re Revised Language
Copy of further Email re Revised Language
Estimated Projected Enrollment Splits FY21-FY25

Adjournment

At 6:33 p.m., on a motion by Brian Carey, seconded by Joseph Tierney and carried 6-0, it was VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Eileen M. Whalen, Assistant Secretary

November 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	SC SAE 6:30		MASS/MASC Conference Hyannis	MASS/MASC Conference Hyannis	MASS/MASC Conference Hyannis	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Veteran's Day Observed					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	SC SAE 6:30				DYH Fall Play 7pm	DYH Fall Play 7pm
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
DYH Fall Play 2pm	National Honor Society Induction 6pm		Thanksgiving Break	Thanksgiving Nauset @ D-Y 10:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Break	

December 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	SC SAE 6:30					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		DYH Holiday Concert 7pm	MMS Grade 7 Holiday Concert 7pm	NHW Grade 5 Holiday Concert 7pm		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	SC SAE 6:30	MMS Grade 6 Holiday Concert 7pm	NHW Grade 5 Theater Performance 7pm	NHW Grade 4 Holiday Concert 7pm		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Holiday Vacation	Holiday Vacation	Christmas Day	Holiday Vacation	Holiday Vacation	
29	30	31				
	Holiday Vacation	Holiday Vacation				

Next Scheduled School Committee Meeting: January 6, 2020