

**DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of a School Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, March 8, 2021**

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, March 8, 2021, via remote technology in accordance with the Governor of Massachusetts' March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c. 30A, Section 20.

Members Present: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; James Dykeman, Jr.; Secretary; Phillip Morris, Treasurer; Joe Glynn; Jennifer Rose; Zane Fitzgerald.

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Tainan Nunes, Student Representative to the School Committee; Grace LePain, Student Representative to the School Committee; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Carole Eichner, Director of Early Learning; Walter Hartley, PMA Consultants; Jacob Joy; Lauren Campbell; Vitor Avelar; Alexa Barboza; Keegan McFarlane; Tracy Post, Yarmouth Select Board; Vida Morris.

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

Roll Call Attendance:

Jennifer Rose	yes
James Dykeman, Jr.	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes
Phillip Morris	yes
Joseph Tierney	yes
Joe Glynn	yes
Jeni Landers	yes

**Recognition of Dennis-Yarmouth High School Scholastic Art and Writing Award Winners**

Carol Woodbury, Superintendent

Angela Da Rocha, Art Teacher

Craig Brodt, Art Teacher

Superintendent Woodbury welcomed the Dennis-Yarmouth High School Scholastic Art Winners along with their teachers, Angela Da Rocha and Craig Brodt. Ms. Da Rocha thanked the superintendent for the opportunity for the students to present their work. Mr. Brodt said the students are very honored to be invited to the meeting; he is very impressed with their perseverance during these challenging times.

Jacob Joy, Grade 9, Honorable Mention for "Thank You."

Kenyatta Pigo-Cronin, Grade 9, Honorable Mention for "Justice for Bobby."

Lauren Campbell, Grade 10, Honorable Mention for "Nature Key" and Gold Key for "African Inspired Clay Bust."

Larissa Ribeiro, Grade 12, Honorable Mention for "School 2020."

Vitor Avelar, Grade 12, Honorable Mention, "Deer."

Abigail Frisch, Grade 12, Honorable Mention, "Ladder as Metaphor."  
Heidi Souza, Grade 10, Silver Key, "Rhino Ceremonial Bowl."  
Alexa Barboza, Grade 9, Gold Key, "Unspoken."  
Keegan McFarlane, Grade 9, Gold Key, "Reaching Out."

At this time Chair Landers proposed changing the order of the agenda; specifically to move the Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate Middle School Vote to Approve Proprietary Specifications for Controls to before (III) Reports.

On a motion by James Dykeman, seconded by Phil Morris, and carried 7-0 by roll call vote, it was

VOTED: To move the agenda item Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate Middle School Vote to Approve Proprietary Specifications for Controls to before (III) Reports.

Jennifer Rose	yes
James Dykeman, Jr.	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes
Phillip Morris	yes
Joseph Tierney	yes
Joe Glynn	yes
Jeni Landers	yes

Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate Middle School  
Vote to Approve Proprietary Specifications for Controls  
MGL Definition of Proprietary Items PowerPoint  
Letter from Garcia-Galuska-Desousa

Walter Hartley, PMA Consultants, referenced the MGL Definition of Proprietary Items PowerPoint and Letter from Garcia-Galuska-Desousa that were included in the packet. He explained that the MSBA requires the full school committee to vote. Zane Fitzgerald asked if this is a current system; Walter Hartley said that it is a brand-new system. On a motion by Phil Morris, seconded by Joseph Tierney, and carried 7-0 by roll call vote it was

VOTED: For sound reasons in the public interest we move to approve the use of proprietary specifications for the controls at the Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate School.

Jennifer Rose	yes
James Dykeman, Jr.	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes
Phillip Morris	yes
Joseph Tierney	yes
Joe Glynn	yes
Jeni Landers	yes



Mr. Hartley then gave a brief update; general bids are due March 16 by 1:00 p.m. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible eligible bidder. Superintendent Woodbury said that the school committee is scheduled to approve the contract at their next scheduled meeting, March 22, 2021.

### **Reports**

#### **DYRSD School Committee Student Representatives – Tainan Nunes; Grace LePain**

Grace LePain reported that Eleanor Sears was the Dennis-Yarmouth High School winner of the Poetry Out Loud contest; and that the Math Team has made the playoffs. Tainan Nunes added that the math playoffs included a 14 hour competition and was an amazing experience.

#### **School Committee Liaisons to the Boards of Selectmen**

Dennis: No report.

Yarmouth: Joe Glynn said that there is a meeting scheduled for tomorrow night.

#### **Building Committee Report – Joseph Tierney:** No report.

#### **Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury**

Superintendent Woodbury said that the committee will vote to adopt a final budget at this meeting. She referenced the Tentative FY22 Governor's Budget Slides and DYRSD FY22 Budget Update PowerPoint which were included in the packet. She reviewed the timeline, key dates, foundation enrollment, cherry sheets, and staffing variables. She said that the committee adopted a tentative budget on February 8. She then reviewed the assessment worksheets. The superintendent then asked for questions from the committee. Mr. Glynn asked about the 2 ½% breakdown. Mr. Tierney said that it seemed that Yarmouth would need an override; he would like to see a more manageable amount. Mr. Morris said that any vote by the finance subcommittee is just a recommendation. On a motion by James Dykeman, seconded by Phil Morris, and carried 5-2 by roll call vote it was

VOTED: That the School Committee adopt an FY22 budget of \$66,923,450 with a Dennis operating assessment of \$17,725,330, debt service of \$607,161 for a total assessment of \$18,332,491 and a Yarmouth operating assessment of \$37,753,696, debt service of \$652,803 for a total Yarmouth assessment of \$38,406,499.

Jennifer Rose	yes
James Dykeman, Jr.	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes
Phillip Morris	yes
Joseph Tierney	no
Joe Glynn	no
Jeni Landers	yes

### **School Committee Business**

#### **Consent Agenda:**

On a motion by James Dykeman, seconded by Joseph Tierney, and carried 7-0 by roll call vote it was voted to approve the following items included in the Consent Agenda.

**Donations**

Move to accept a \$500 donation from the Dennis-Yarmouth Women's Club for two summer camperships.

Move to accept a donation of new tambourines to the Station Avenue Elementary School from Louise Hopkins and Shemus Hopkins of South Yarmouth.

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Jennifer Rose	yes	Joseph Tierney	yes
James Dykeman, Jr.	yes	Joe Glynn	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes	Jeni Landers	yes
Phillip Morris	yes		

**Calendars**

The upcoming calendars were included in the packet.

**Bills and Requisitions**

Bills and requisitions are to be signed at the District offices by the Committee.

**Public Comment**

Tracy Post said that time is of the essence; it is very important that the correct information is printed on the ballot. Vida Morris had questions about the five year rolling average and the health insurance premium holiday.

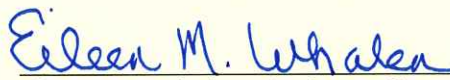
**Adjourn**

At 7:52 p.m., on a motion by James Dykeman, seconded by Joseph Tierney, and carried 7-0 by roll call vote it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Joseph Tierney	yes	Phillip Morris	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes	Jennifer Rose	yes
Joe Glynn	yes	Jeni Landers	yes
James Dykeman, Jr.	yes		

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

  
Eileen M. Whalen, Assistant Secretary