DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes of a School Committee Meeting

Monday, July 15, 2019



A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Monday, July 15, 2019, at the Station Avenue Elementary School in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

<u>Members Present:</u> Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; Andrea St. Germain, Secretary; Brian Carey, Treasurer; James Dykeman, Jr.; and Phillip Morris.

Members Absent: Brian Sullivan

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Ken Jenks, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative and Business Services; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Carole Eichner, Director of Early Education; Paul Funk, Principal, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School; Tim Blake, Principal, NH Wixon School; Tracy Post, Yarmouth Board of Selectmen; Chris Flanagan, Dennis Board of Selectmen; Jim Cullen; Vida Morris.

At 5:18 p.m., Jeni Landers, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

Joint Meeting with Yarmouth and Dennis Boards of Selectmen

Jeni Landers announced that neither board had enough attendees to participate in the Joint Meeting; therefore, the Committee would move on to the next agenda item.

Reports

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

<u>Brian Carey, Dennis</u>: No report. Joe Tierney, Yarmouth: No report.

Assistant Superintendent Report – Ken Jenks

FY19 Budget Closeout: Ken Jenks distributed a memo to the Committee entitled Function Code Transfers to Close Out FY19. On a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by James Dykeman, and carried 6-0, it was VOTED: To transfer \$202,761.31 from the 3000 Function Code (Pupil Services) to the 1000 Function Code (Administration). To transfer \$173,631.64 from the 3000 Function Code (Pupil Services) to the 4000 Function Code (Maintenance). To transfer \$5,712.00 from the 3000 Function Code (Pupil Services) to the 8000 Function Code (Debt Retirement and Service).

FY20 Budget Update: Ken Jenks distributed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the FY20 budget. He said that there is not much new to report. There will be a town meeting in Dennis on Tuesday, July 23rd regarding the school budget. Discussion followed regarding foundation enrollment and the regional agreement. Brian Carey said that if Dennis votes favorably there will be no override needed. The Dennis Board of Selectmen is supportive of the Article; the Finance Committee is not. Brian Carey announced that there will be a meeting of the Regional Agreement Subcommittee on Thursday, July 18th at 4:00 p.m. at Central Office. Joseph Tierney inquired as to whether any changes to the Regional Agreement discussed at the July 18th meeting might be brought to the Dennis town meeting floor and Brian Carey said no, that this is only intended to be a good faith meeting.

<u>Superintendent Report – Carol Woodbury</u>: The superintendent said that the only alternative is cuts to the budget if the budget is not passed. She announced that both the 1/12th budget and the MSBA extensions were

approved. She also said that in her discussions with the DESE it is clear that the regional agreement and the budget are two separate things; the budget is an assessment that the school committee voted.

School Committee Business

Consent Agenda

On a motion by Phillip Morris, seconded by James Dykeman, and carried 6-0, it was

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

FY20 Energy Management Contract Award

Moved that the School Committee award a three contract to ENE Systems, Inc. of Canton, MA to perform the required maintenance and services as described in the specifications for the three-year period, with an option for an additional two years, at the prices bid and listed in the contract proposal.

Ezra H. Baker Innovation School Flooring Award

Moved that the School Committee award a contract of \$59,940 to CJM Services of Norwood, MA to perform the required work and services as described in the specifications stated in the advertised specifications documents.

Fire Alarm Services Contract Recommendation

Moved that the School Committee award a contract of \$178,825 to Red Hawk Fire and Security of Taunton, MA to perform the required work and services as described in the specifications stated in the posted and advertised specifications documents.

Donations

Moved to accept with gratitude a donation of seventy-five 3-ring binders from Mr. Matt Elliott of Yarmouth Port.

Moved to accept with gratitude a check in the amount of \$3007.09 from the Stop and Shop A+ Rewards Program to the Ezra H. Baker Innovation School to be used to support the EHB*i* "fruit bowl." Moved to accept with gratitude a \$4000 grant from the Jean Hamilton Memorial Fund of the Cape Cod Foundation for scholarships for three members of the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School Class of 2019.

Surplus Items

Moved to declare as surplus an obsolete typewriter at Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School. Moved to declare as surplus a television and 33 Alpha Smarts and cabinets at the Ezra H. Baker Innovation School.

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<u>Dennis Town Meeting</u>: The Dennis Town meeting was discussed during the Reports section of the meeting. <u>Regional Agreement</u>: The Regional Agreement was discussed during the Reports section of the meeting. <u>MSBA Update</u>: The MSBA Update was discussed during the Reports section of the meeting.

Bills, Requisitions, and Payroll

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

Calendar

The school committee meeting scheduled for August 19th will instead take place on August 12th at the Station Avenue Elementary School beginning at 5:00 p.m.

There will be a meeting of the Regional Agreement Subcommittee on Thursday, July 18th, at 4:00 p.m. at the Administration Offices.

Information Items

Chairperson Landers reviewed the following Information Items included in the packet:

Letter of thanks from Dream Day of Cape Cod to the Students, Parents, Teachers and Staff of Station Avenue Elementary School

Yarmouth BOS Letter Regarding the MSBA Extension Request

Dennis BOS Letter Regarding the MSBA Extension Request

DESE Letter Regarding 15 Day Budget Extension

DESE Letter Regarding 1/12 Budget

Additional Items Distributed at the Meeting

FY20 Budget PowerPoint Slides

Function Code Transfers to Close out FY19

Public Comment Period

Jim Cullen, a member of the D-Y Seniors for Education, said that a school system is the rock of any community; an investment in education means a commitment to our students. Vida Morris discussed a letter from Jim Plath; it was suggested she contact Mr. Plath directly.

Adjournment

At 6:08 p.m., on a motion by Brian Carey, seconded by Andrea St. Germain and carried 6-0, it was VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

Eileen M. Whalen, Assistant Secretary