

Monomoy Regional School Committee
Monomoy Regional High School Library
75 Oak Street, Harwich, MA
Meeting Minutes
Thursday May 30, 2019

Members present: Joseph Auciello; Tina Games; Meredith Henderson; Terry Russell; Nancy Scott; Jo-anne Sheehan; Sharon Stout; Jackie Zibrat-Long.

Administrators Present: Dr. Scott Carpenter, Superintendent; Katie Isernio; Marc Smith; Joy Jordan; Mary Oldach; Mark Wilson; Jim Birchfield.

A. Call to Order – Dr. Carpenter called the meeting called to order at 6:33pm.

B. Vote for Chair, Vice Chair of the MRSC

Dr. Carpenter called for a motion to nominate the new Chairperson for the MRSC. Nancy Scott moved to nominate Jackie Zibrat-Long as the new Chairperson; seconded by Jo-anne Sheehan. No further nominations were made. Vote to approve Jackie Zibrat-Long as the new chairperson to the MRSC: **UNANIMOUS.**

Chair Zibrat-Long called for a motion to nominate a Vice Chair.

Sharon Stout moved to nominate Tina Games; seconded by Jo-anne Sheehan.

Nancy Scott also moved to nominate Terry Russell, seconded by Jo-anne Sheehan.

Roll call vote for Tina Games' nomination:

Joe Auciello – Nay; Tina Games – Yea; Meredith Henderson – Yea; Terry Russell – Nay; Nancy Scott – Nay; Jo-anne Sheehan – Nay; Sharon Stout – Yea; Jackie Zibrat-Long – Nay

Roll call vote for Terry Russell's nomination:

Joe Auciello – Yea; Tina Games – Nay; Meredith Henderson – Nay; Terry Russell – Nay; Nancy Scott – Yea; Jo-anne Sheehan – Yea; Sharon Stout – Nay; Jackie Zibrat-Long – Yea

As the results were tied for each nominated party, Terry Russell withdrew his name from consideration. Nancy Scott withdrew her motion; Jo-anne Sheehan withdrew her second. With no further nominations, Tina Games was welcomed as the new Vice Chair of the MRSC.

Approval of Minutes – May 9, 2019

Motion: Nancy Scott moved to approve the meeting minutes from the May 9, 2019 School Committee meeting, seconded by Jo-anne Sheehan. **UNANIMOUS**

C. Student Representative - None

D. Public Comment - None

G. Reports and Discussions

1. HES Data Presentation

Mary Oldach, Principal of the Harwich Elementary School, presented to the school committee 1-year progress update on her school Improvement plan. Ms. Oldach's presentation showed how data is used to improve student learning, support teachers in identifying differentiated learning and better identify intervention opportunities.

F. Recognitions

Chair Zibrat-Long welcomed newly elected school committee member Meredith Henderson to the committee.

Dr. Carpenter reported that the Senior Convocation ceremony, currently being held in the auditorium, sought to award 66 of 112 graduates with honors, awards, and over \$300,000 in scholarships to members of the 2019 Senior class. He thanked community organizations for their generous support.

Dr. Carpenter also recognized and thanked the following organizations for their support:

- Goose Hummock of Orleans for their generous donation of 6 rods and reels and an in-store discount to all the members of the Anglers Club.
- The Friends of Chatham Waterways for their generous grant in the amount of \$1,800.00 to support the MRMS Writer's Retreat.

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2. MRMS Data Presentation

Mark Wilson, Principal of the Monomoy Regional Middle School, also gave his data presentation. The '4-square' data summarizes by grade level and subject to show low achievement / high growth, low achievement / low growth, high achievement / low growth and high achievement / high growth and growth percentile. Mr. Wilson also discussed how the use of technology helps teachers teach to and students learn at their individual level and to challenges them appropriately. Mr. Wilson also covered the social and emotional well-being of MS student by sharing the survey of students with positive relationships with staff and identifying unconnected students in order to create a mentor where needed.

3. Superintendent Evaluation

School committee members read their evaluation statements for the Superintendent. Chair Jackie Zibrat-Long provided a compilation of the members' evaluation. The Superintendent was given a proficient rating for the 2018-2019 year. The Superintendent Evaluation will be read and voted on for final approval at the next school committee meeting on June 13, 2019.

4. Assign subcommittee roles to SC members

School Committee members were given the subcommittee assignment sheet and asked to enter their names in the subcommittee roles for which they would like to be considered for the 2019-2020 school year. Chair Zibrat-Long will collect the sheets and assign members to subcommittee roles and present for review at the next SC meeting on June 13, 2019.

As a follow-up to the subcommittee assignments, Nancy Scott offered the idea of potentially modifying the role of Select Board and Finance Committee liaison. Her suggestion was that the named liaison act as a 'reporter' on behalf of the SC and have a standing monthly slot on the agenda for both Harwich and Chatham meetings. The suggestion was met with positive feedback and will be discussed at a future meeting.

H. Subcommittee Reports – None

I. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent thanked the school committee members for their evaluation feedback and recognized the great Administrators and teachers within the district that make his job a pleasure to do. He also stated what a pleasure it was to see so many community partners at Senior Convocation supporting our students and the support of great parents in the community, as well.

Dr. Carpenter welcomed Meredith Henderson to the committee and appreciates her commitment to both teaching and serving on our committee as Ms. Henderson is an active teacher in the D-Y school system.

Dr. Carpenter also announced that Joy Jordan, Community Engagement Coordinator will be reporting at a future meeting on Volunteerism in our schools.

The Superintendent also presented the mockup of the School Committee Membership list / plaque. It lists all the past and present School committee members who have served, including both the interim school committee members (Harwich and Chatham) and the Monomoy Regional School Committee. Feedback is welcome before the final version is sent for completion.

Lastly, Dr. Carpenter reminded members that graduation is this Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 2pm and all are welcome to attend.

J. Action Items

1. Job Description revision for the District Accountant

The revised job description for the District Accountant was presented for approval vote.

Motion: Nancy Scott moved to approve the revised job description for the District Accountant; seconded by Joanne Sheehan. **UNANIMOUS**

2. Declaration of Surplus

Motion: Tina Games moved to approve the items declared for surplus, including 3 keyboards from the MRMS and appliances from the MRHS Concessions Stand. Motion seconded by Nancy Scott. **UNANIMOUS**

3. Approval of Warrants

Warrants were presented to the school committee for signature approval.

K. Adjournment

MOTION: At 8.30pm Nancy Scott moved to adjourn, seconded by Terry Russell. **UNANIMOUS**

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Tambolleo
Recording Secretary