



PEMBROKE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, May 2, 2023
North Pembroke Elementary School Library
6:00PM

Public Hearing on School Choice*

AGENDA

Call to Order

Mr. Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present from Administration: Erin Obey, Superintendent; Marybeth Brust, Assistant Superintendent; Jessica DeLorenzo, Director of Student Services

Present from Committee: Lance Kennedy, Chair; David Boyle, Vice Chair; Susan Bollinger, Secretary; Susie Scholl and Michael Quinn

Discussion on School Choice Participation for the 2022-2023 School Year

Mrs. Obey explained that by law the school committee has to vote to participate or not participate in School Choice. If the district chooses to participate it means students from other towns can attend school in the district. Once in the district, they are allowed to remain through graduation if they choose. PPS has never participated due to the fluctuation in student enrollment and because it costs about \$16k to educate a student and school choice only provides \$5k per student. Also, students may come to the district with a variety of needs and might need to access special education or ELL services. She does not suggest participation at this time based on looking at the enrollment. Mrs. Bollinger asked if any Pembroke students go to other districts and Mrs. Obey said this has happened. Mr. Kennedy said Pembroke parents have the choice to send their students where they want. Mr. Quinn confirmed that PPS does not need to participate in School Choice for PPS students to go to another district. Mr. Kennedy confirmed that if there was a district that offered vocational education and participated in School Choice that PPS students could attend. Mrs. Scholl confirmed that there would still be a limited number of seats in that vocational program.

VOTE: On a motion made by David Boyle and seconded by Susan Bollinger, it was unanimously voted to not participate in School Choice for the 2023-2024 school year.

Voting Yes: Lance Kennedy, David Boyle, Susan Bollinger, Susie Scholl and Michael Quinn

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

VOTE: At 6:08 PM, on a motion made by Susie School and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

Voting Yes: Lance Kennedy, David Boyle, Susan Bollinger, Susie Scholl and Michael Quinn

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

APPROVED: May 23, 2023

MOTIONS

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