

GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
251 STONEHAVEN ROAD, FALL RIVER, MA  
DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM  
June 16, 2022

The regular meeting of the Greater Fall River Vocational School District Committee was called to order at 5:30p.m. by Chairman Paul Jennings, with the following persons in attendance: Rajiv Nehra of Fall River, Joan Menard of Fall River, Fr. Jay Mello of Fall River, Donald DiBiasio of Somerset and Jeffrey Begin of Swansea.

Also in attendance were: Elvio Ferreira, Superintendent/Director, Andrew Rebello, Assistant Superintendent/Principal, Paul Kitchen, Director of Finance, Gregory Brilhante, Legal Counsel and Helena Neves, Executive Secretary.

Mr. Jennings called for the roll call.

Mr. Jennings made the following announcement: In accordance with Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 30A, Section 20(f), any member of the public may make an audio or video recording of this public meeting. A member of the public who wishes to record a meeting must first notify the chair and must comply with reasonable requirements regarding audio or video equipment established by the chair so as not to interfere with the meeting.

Mr. Jennings led the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Mr. Begin and voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the May 24, 2022 minutes and approved them, as recorded.

Ryan Nadeau, Student Government representative, provided the student report on current happenings.

There was no Citizen Input

Dr. Ferreira requested that members complete the FY22 Mid-Cycle Formative Evaluation and return completed evaluations to Mrs. Neves.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Dr. Nehra and voted unanimously to accept the DECA Monitor Program – Advertising in Schools parameters as presented.

Mr. Brian Moura has been appointed as an Auto Collision Instructor for the 2022-2023 school year at step 9 (\$68,222) of the 2021-2024 DTA salary schedule.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Menard and voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Riley Richard as an Industry/Business advisory board member of the Programming and Web Development Program.

**Reappointments:**

**Completed one year**

Stephen Alves  
Michelle Bernier

Health Assisting  
Dental Assisting

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Monica Camara	SPED Teacher
Wyatt L'Etoile	HVAC Instructor
Luke Bahry	SPED
Johanna Brown	LPN

**Completed one year – on waiver – time doesn't count toward professional status**

Stephanie DosSantos	Medical Assisting - waiver
David Paolino	Drafting – waiver
Shawn Pimentel	Web - waiver
Edward "Ned" Charpentier	Web - waiver

**Completed Two Years**

Kelsey Ainsworth	Career Readiness
Rachel Grande	ELL
Ashley Duffany	History
Aaron Soares	Physical Education
Jennifer Carter	Medical Assisting
Evan Schofield	Physics
Matthew Almeida	Carpentry/Cabinetmaking
Ryan Cain	Guidance
Kelly Tavares	LPN

**Completed two years – on waiver – time doesn't count toward professional status**

Shawn Pimentel	Computer Prog & Web Development -waiver
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**Completed three years – one year licensed – no professional status**

Vanessa Vasconcellos	Medical Assisting – licensed 9/1/2021
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**Professional Status**

Amy Biddle	Special Education
Sarah Sprague	Special Education
Elizabeth McPherson	Special Education
Kyle Francoeur	History
Cathleen Wiley	Culinary Arts
Tarryn Maynard	ELA
Derick Estacio	Auto Collision
Justin Kochman	School Nurse (licensed 8/19/19; prof on 8/19/22)
Heather Hughes	Medical Assisting (licensed 5/24/19; prof on 5/24/22)
Jennifer Rocha	School Nurse (hired 10/15/18)

Mr. Bobby Bailey has been appointed as the Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and the Director of Extra Curricular Athletics and Social Media.

Attorney Brillhante requested that agenda item 3.1.c Discussion of LPN Director be addressed after executive session.

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It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Menard and voted unanimously to accept the request made by Southcoast Health to donate unused needles and needle/syringe combos to the Health Assisting Program.

Dr. Ferreira asked permission to contact Nuttall, MacAvoy & Joyce Legal Services and request a proposal.

Dr. Ferreira requested that the 2022-2023 Admissions Policy be referred to the Admissions Sub-Committee for their review.

Dr. Ferreira presented the LPN Student Handbook.

Mr. Begin requested that the LPN Student Handbook be referred to the LPN Sub-Committee for their review.

Mr. Kitchen reported on the Student Activity Agency Account Financial Report.

Mr. Kitchen provided the monthly financial report

There were no requests for transfer of funds.

Mr. Kitchen provided an overview of the expenditure approvals

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Menard and voted unanimously to approve the expenditures as submitted.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Fr. Jay and voted unanimously to approve the FY23 expenditures as submitted.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Dr. Nehra and voted unanimously to approve the use of facilities request by the Resendes Soccer Academy and to waive the use of facilities fee.

Diman students will be able to participate at a reduced rate.

Mr. DiBiasio provided the Housebuilding/Facilities Sub-Committee report.

Dr. Ferreira stated that the Housebuilding/Facilities Sub-Committee agreed to wait until the Committee has a better idea of the budgetary situation before moving forward with the Practice Fields Project.

Mr. DiBiasio reported on the 2022/2023 Housebuilding Program Applications. Mr. DiBiasio reported that two of the three applications are not viable projects due to location, lack of architectural plans and town/city variances. The third application seems to be a viable project and the Housebuilding/Facilities Sub-Committee is making the recommendation to enter into negotiations with the applicant.

Mr. Kitchen left the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

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It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Menard and voted unanimously to approve the addition project and to enter into negotiations with People Inc. and request additional information.

Mr. Gregory Joynt from Kaestle Boos presented a PowerPoint and a short video presentation of the new Diman Project. The presentation provided an overview of the project schedule and next steps.

It was moved by Ms. Menard, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio and voted unanimously on a roll call to extend the contract for Colliers and Kaestle Boos. Mr. Jennings, Mr. Begin, Ms. Menard, Fr. Jay, Mr. DiBiasio and Dr. Nehra voting yes.

Mr. DiBiasio reported on the MSBA School Building Committee (SBC) Reorganization. There was a discussion on the reorganization of the MSBA School Building Committee and the creation of a Qualification Team and Selection Team. It was decided to send an email to all the SBC members asking if they wish to continue on the committee. Recommendations for the reorganization of the MSBA SBC, Qualification Team and Selection Team will be brought forward to the Committee at the August meeting.

Mr. Kitchen returned to the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Ms. Menard left the meeting at 5:58 p.m. and returned at 6:01 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Menard and voted unanimously to authorize the MSBA School Building Committee to enter into a contract with a construction management at risk firm and to perform all its obligations in connection with the Project.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Menard and voted unanimously to authorize Mr. Paul Jennings, Chairperson of the Greater Fall River Vocational School District Committee to sign the Project Funding Agreement (PFA) to be submitted to MSBA.

Mr. Rebello provided the Assistant Superintendent/Principal's report

Dr. Ferreira provided the Superintendent's Report

Mr. Kitchen reported on the Payment of Bond Anticipator Note (BAN) for Feasibility Study as an addendum to 3.1.r.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Fr. Jay, and voted unanimously to rescind the following vote from August 12, 2021:

*"It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Fr. Jay and voted unanimously to pay the \$193,500 debt for the principal and interest payment of the feasibility study from the E&D funds of the FY22 budget"*

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Fr. Jay, and voted unanimously to allow the treasurer to pay \$187,500 of the Principal Paydown and \$2,991.67 of Interest on the \$750,000 dollar Bond Anticipator Note for the school feasibility from Regular Appropriation Funds.

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Correspondence – MASC Annual Conference letter was provided to all the members.

The next meeting will be held on or before June 30, 2022.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Dr. Nehra, and voted unanimously on a roll call at 6:26 p.m. to enter into Executive Session for the following:

- a. Approve May 24, 2022 Minutes
- b. Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a), paragraph 2, to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel:  
*Individual Contracts – LPN Director*
- c. Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a), paragraph 3, to discuss 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: *LPN Student Dismissal SY2022-01*

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Mr. Begin and voted unanimously on a roll call at 6:55 p.m. to rise into Open Session. Mr. Jennings, Mr. Begin, Fr. Jay, Mr. DiBiasio voting yes. Ms. Menard and Dr. Nehra were absent.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Fr. Jay and voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Helena S. Neves*  
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**Materials Included:**

May 24, 2022 Minutes  
DECA School Advertising Parameters  
2022-2023 LPN Student Handbook  
Student Activity Agency Account financial report  
Monthly Financial Report  
Expenditure Approvals  
Assistant Superintendent/Principal Report  
Superintendent's Report  
MASC Annual Conference letter