



Cohasset School Committee Meeting

School Committee Minutes

Wednesday, May 17, 2017
Cohasset Middle-High School
Community Use Room
143 Pond Street
Cohasset, MA

In Attendance: Jeanne Astino, Chairman
Katie Dugan
Ellen Maher
Barbara Stefan
Jennifer Madden

Also in Attendance: Louise Demas, Superintendent
John Tuffy, Interim Business Manager
Sue Skeiber, Interim Assistant Superintendent

Pledge-Recited.

Superintendent Demas called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

School Committee Reorganization-Mrs. Demas asked for a motion to begin nominations for Chairman. **Motion by Mrs. Astino to open nominations for Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Stefan and the vote was unanimous (5-0).** Motion by Mrs. Dugan to nominate Jeanne Astino as Chairman, seconded by Jennifer Madden. Roll Call Vote; Barbara Stefan-Aye, Katie Dugan-Aye, Jeanne Astino-Aye, Ellen Maher-Aye, Jennifer Madden-Aye.

Motion by Barbara Stefan to nominate Katie Dugan as Vice-Chairman, seconded by Jennifer Madden. Roll Call Vote; Barbara Stefan-Aye, Katie Dugan-Aye, Jeanne Astino-Aye, Ellen Maher-Aye, Jennifer Madden-Aye.

Motion by Katie Dugan to nominate Ellen Maher as Secretary, seconded by Jennifer Madden. Roll Call Vote; Barbara Stefan-Aye, Katie Dugan-Aye, Jeanne Astino-Aye, Ellen Maher-Aye, Jennifer Madden-Aye.

Invitation to Speak-None

Approval of Warrant-Motion by Mrs. Dugan to approve Warrant 17-23S, seconded by Mrs. Stefan. Roll Call Vote; Barbara Stefan-Aye, Katie Dugan-Aye, Jeanne Astino-Aye. Ellen Maher and Jennifer Madden abstained from the vote.

Superintendent's Report-Mrs. Demas introduced Patrick Sullivan and asked for the Committee's approval as Cohasset's new Assistant Superintendent. He is currently the Marshfield Middle School Principal. She gave an overview of his experience. The School Committee welcomed Mr. Sullivan and

commented on his credentials and experience. **Motion by Mrs. Dugan to approve the hiring of Patrick Sullivan as the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment as of July 1, 2017, seconded by Mrs. Maher. Roll Call Vote; Barbara Stefan-Aye, Katie Dugan-Aye, Jeanne Astino-Aye, Ellen Maher-Aye, Jennifer Madden-Aye.** Mrs. Demas advised the Committee Mr. Sullivan will be attend and be introduced at the May 23rd Superintendent's coffee.

School Committee Comments & Communication-Subcommittee/Liaison Assignments-The Committee reviewed and made changes to the subcommittee/liaison assignments. The Committee also reviewed and agreed on the calendar dates of School Committee meetings through June 2018.

Chairman Astino asked for a motion to go into executive session for Exemption #2 to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel. The Committee will return to open session for the purpose of adjourning. **Motion moved by Mrs. Dugan, seconded by Mrs. Stefan. Roll Call Vote; Barbara Stefan-Aye, Katie Dugan-Aye, Jeanne Astino-Aye, Ellen Maher-Aye, Jennifer Madden-Aye.**

The committee went into executive session at 9:10 p.m.

The committee adjourned from executive session at 10:46 pm on a motion made by Mrs. Maher, seconded by Mrs. Madden, roll call Aye-Barbara Stefan, Aye-Katie Dugan, Aye-Jeanne Astino, Aye- Ellen Maher, Aye-Jen Madden.

The committee adjourned open session at 10:47 pm on a motion by Mrs. Madden, seconded by Mrs. Dugan, all Aye.