



East Greenwich School Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 28, 2024
6:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting: Cole Middle School & Via Zoom

Minutes

Those in attendance

School Committee: Ms. Alyson Powell, Chair; Ms. Nicole Bucka, Vice-Chair; Ms. Clare Cecil-Karb; Mr. William Hangan; Mr. Tim Munoz; Mr. Kevin Murphy; Dr. Eugene Quinn

Additional Attendees: Dr. Brian Ricca, Superintendent; Mr. Neil Marcaccio, Director of Student Services; Mrs. Maggie Baker, Director of Administration; Mrs. Amy Healey, School Committee Clerk; Attorney Aubrey Lombardo

I. Call to Order

Ms. Powell called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Retirement Recognitions

Mrs. Beth Cauley, Cole Assistant Principal, shared remarks about retiring Special Education teacher Lori Patnaude and congratulated her on her retirement.

Mr. Dom Giusti, Meadowbrook Farms Principal, shared remarks about retiring paraprofessional Mary Francis and congratulated her on her retirement.

Dr. Ricca shared remarks about retiring EGHS math teacher, Nancy Bucci who was not able to attend this evening's meeting.

IV. Public Comment

V. Approval of Minutes

A. May 14, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Ms. Bucka, seconded by Dr. Quinn, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve the May 14, 2024 minutes.

VI. Action Items

- A. School Committee approval of contract for EGHS throwing cage replacement - United Fence

Mr. Hangan inquired what besides the throwing cage is holding up the hosting of home meets. Dr. Ricca said that he would find out and get back to Mr. Hangan.

On a motion by Dr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve the contract in the amount of \$44,200.

- B. School Committee approval of custodian staffing services - DIBRO Holdings, Inc. dba System4 IPS

The agreement outlines rates of \$220/day SY 23-24; \$235/day for SY 24-25 and \$235/day for SY 25-26.

On a motion by Ms. Bucka, seconded by Dr. Quinn, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve the custodian staffing services agreement.

VII. Superintendent and Staff Reports

- A. MTSS Update

Ms. Leigh Oliver, MTSS Director, shared the progress of MTSS since she took the position in January. As of January 2024, Student Services and MTSS district leaders established direct, consistent and ongoing collaboration to collectively plan, and roll out district wide programming and support for ALL students and teachers under the student services umbrella.

Ms. Bucka inquired about the FASST Team and the PBIS infrastructure.

Ms. Powell expressed her appreciation of the work being done by MTSS and for tonight's update.

Dr. Ricca shared that MTSS starts with "best first instruction in the classroom".

VIII. Subcommittees

- A. Facilities
- B. Finance
- C. Special Education Advisory Committee

Ms. Bucka congratulated Mr. Wilmarth on the improved cleanliness ratings. She also pointed out that a letter drafted by SEAC was included in the agenda packet.

Dr. Quinn shared the discussion held in the recent finance subcommittee meeting. The Committee discussed his findings.

IX. Recess Open Session and Convene Executive Session for discussion and/or action regarding those items of business exempt from open meetings under RIGL 42-26-4 and

- A. RIGL 42-46-5(a)(4) - Investigations
- B. RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2) - Legal Advice

On a motion by Ms. Bucka, seconded by Dr. Quinn, the Committee voted 7-0 to recess open session and convene executive session.

X. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Open Session

On a motion by Ms. Cecil-Karb, seconded by Dr. Quinn, the Committee voted 7-0 to adjourn executive session and reconvene open session at 7:20 pm.

XI. Seal Executive Session minutes of May 28, 2024 and Disclosure of Executive Session votes of May 28, 2024.

On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Quinn, the Committee voted 7-0 to seal the Executive Session minutes of May 28, 2024.

Ms. Powell disclosed that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

XII. Adjournment

At 7:30 pm, on a motion by Ms. Bucka, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Committee voted 7-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy J. Healey
School Committee Clerk

Approved 6-11-24