

**Old Rochester Regional School Committee
Equity Subcommittee Meeting Minutes**

September 4, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Superintendent's Conference Room or Zoom
135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Beauregard (remote), Marion School Committee, Kate Duggan (remote), Rochester School Committee, Frances-Feliz Kearns (remote), ORR School Committee, Amanda Hastings (remote), Mattapoisett School Committee, Margaret McSweeney (remote), ORR School Committee and Matthew Monteiro (remote), ORR School Committee

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael S. Nelson, Superintendent of Schools (in-person).

Meeting called to order at 12:05pm by Frances-Feliz Kearns. Ms. Kearns informed everyone attending the meeting that the meeting was being recorded and stated this meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format. School Committee, Administrators and public will have the option of meeting in person in the Superintendent's Conference Room located at 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 or via zoom.

The following agenda items were addressed:

I. Approval of Revised Minutes in response to the Reconsideration of Open Meeting Law Complaint 2023-130

- October 5, 2020
- December 2, 2020
- December 22, 2020
- February 10, 2021
- March 9, 2021
- April 6, 2021
- May 4, 2021
- June 1, 2021
- November 3, 2021
- January 25, 2022
- March 24, 2022
- May 24, 2022
- June 21, 2022

Superintendent Nelson thanked the school committee members for coming together and explained that the revised minutes that were shared related to the reconsideration of an Open Meeting Law complaint they previously discussed. The reconsideration determination stated the minutes from October 5, 2020 through June 21, 2022 needed to include summaries of the discussions on each topic. The minutes were revised utilizing notes, records, reports and the recollections of its members and staff members.

Motion to approve the revised meeting minutes of the Equity Subcommittee for October 5, 2020, December 2, 2020, December 22, 2020, February 10, 2021, March 9, 2021, April 6, 2021, May 4,

2021, June 1, 2021, November 3, 2021, January 25, 2022, March 24, 2022, May 24, 2022 and June 21, 2022 by Ms. Duggan.

Motion Seconded by Ms. Kearns

Motion Carried

Roll Call: Beauregard (yes), Duggan (yes), Hastings (yes), Kearns (yes), McSweeny (yes) and Monteiro (yes)

II. Public Comment

Superintendent Nelson read the following statement:

Public comment is governed by approved school committee policy. Per the committee's policy, we will offer up to 30 minutes for public comments this evening. Public comment is not a discussion, debate, or dialogue between individuals and the school committee. However, the committee takes any public comment made seriously and appreciates hearing from the public. Anyone looking to provide a public comment must be acknowledged by the Chairperson before addressing the committee. Those making a public comment will have up to three minutes to address the committee and must start their comment by stating their name and the town they reside in. For those in person there is a sign in sheet for those looking to make a public comment located on sidewalk and those on zoom, you can send a message in the chat with your name and the town you reside in. The chairperson will alternate between in-person and zoom participants. The school committee reserve the right to address any comment that present incorrect information at our next meeting.

There were no public comments.

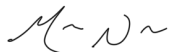
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:10pm by Ms. Kearns

Motion Seconded by Mr. Monteiro

Motion Carried

Roll Call: Beauregard (yes), Duggan (yes), Hastings (yes), Kearns (yes), McSweeny (yes) and Monteiro (yes)

Respectfully submitted,



Michael S. Nelson, Superintendent