AMESBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 7, 2021

Present were Mayor Gove, Chair; Peter Hoyt, Mel Webster, Kate Currie, Abigail Jurist Levy, Maryann Welch, and Elizabeth McAndrews.

A recording of this meeting can be viewed here: https://amesbury-school.vod.castus.tv/vod/?video=11fc0f59-eed8-4013-b7ae-4ff4ed0ade57

- I. Call to Order (3:45)
- II. Comments by Visitors & Delegations (4:55) Mr. Webster inquired about the continuing to accept public comments on Facebook. Mayor Gove indicated acceptance of comments via the livestream would continue. No public comments were submitted.
- III. New Business (8:04)
 - 1. Policy CHCA

Ms. Currie and Superintendent McAndrews provided an overview to the committee on the changes that were being made to the handbook policy. The committee discussed the proposed changes including the due date.

- IV. Communications & Reports (24:28)
 - Superintendent's Report
 Superintendent McAndrews provided an update to the committee on the newly formed mascot review committee, recent graduations and summer school.
 - Matt Bennett provided an update to the committee on the ongoing softball field renovations and other planned summer projects. Questions and comments by the committee followed. The committee asked to invite the parents who spearheaded the softball field improvements to an upcoming meeting and discussed the potential creation of an athletic subcommittee.
 - 3. Student Advisory Council Anna Costello was welcomed at the new SAC representative and gave a brief report to the committee.
 - 4. Liaisons
 - a. Ms. Pouliot provided an update to the committee on behalf of the Amesbury SEPAC.
 - b. Mr. Hoyt provided an update to the committee on the ongoing school building project.
 - 5. Subcommittees
 - 1. Budget & Finance Mr. Webster provided an update to the committee
 - 2. Personnel Ms. Currie provided an update to the committee
 - 3. Buildings & Grounds Mr. Webster provided an update to the committee
 - 4. Policy Ms. Currie and Superintendent McAndrews provided an update to the committee

- 5. Teaching & Learning Ms. Welch provided an update to the committee
- 6. AES Implementation Committee Mr. Hoyt provided an update to the committee on behalf of the committee.
- V. Consent Agenda (1:45:45)
 - a. Mr. Hoyt moved to approve the minutes of April 12 & April 15, second by Ms. Jurist Levy. Passed unanimously.
 - b. Mr. Webster moved to accept the following warrants: April 22 \$536,512.79 | May 6 \$543,975.95 | May 7 \$561,794.47 | May 20 \$364,103.00 | May 21 \$598,214.61 | June 3 \$426,511.99, second by Ms. Welch. Passed unanimously.
 - c. The committee discussed the Lexia program at the elementary schools. *Mr. Hoyt moved* to accept a \$10,000 donation for the Lexia licenses, second by Ms. Currie. Passes unanimously.
- VI. Ms. Jurist Levy moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Hoyt. Passed unanimously.