

**AMESBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
VIRTUAL MEETING
February 22, 2021**

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

This meeting was conducted under the ‘Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c.30A, §20’, signed on March 12, 2020.

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- I. Call to Order/Mission Statement (4:00) – Mr. Webster read the mission statement and Mr. Hoyt offered a moment of silence for **Therese Axton**.
- II. Vote to Suspend Policy BEDB-E (8:10) – *Mr. Hoyt moved to suspend the policy, second by Ms. Welch. Vote: Yes, unanimous.*
- III. Comments by Visitors & Delegations (9:08) – A comment from David Deziel was read, “When does the superintendent expires?”
- IV. Superintendent Search Committee Update (11:10) – Ms. Jurist Levy, Ms. Welch, and Dorothy Presser provided an update to the committee on the superintendent search process.
Ms. Bucher moved to accept the nomination for the screening committee, second by Ms. Currie. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- V. Green Communities Grant (40:00) – The Mayor summarized a correspondence from the City Council regarding a Green Communities Grant. A brief discussion was held.
- VI. 2021-2022 School Calendar (42:15) – Superintendent McAndrews gave an overview of the coming school year calendar to the committee.
Mr. Hoyt moved to approve, second by Ms. Bucher. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- VII. Middle School Assistant Principal (open position) Update (46:15) – Superintendent McAndrews updated the committee on the Middle School Assistant Principal Position. A brief discussion by the committee took place.
- VIII. SPED Update (54:55) – Dr. Catarius gave a SPED presentation to the committee. Questions and discussion took place.
- IX. COVID-19 Update (1:27:00) – Superintendent McAndrews updated the committee on technology progress within the district, as well as, the plans for return to full time learning. Discussion by the committee took place.

Mr. Webster moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Hoyt. Vote: Yes, unanimous.