Holbrook Public Schools
245 South Franklin Street
Holbrook, MA 02343

MINUTES OF THE HOLBROOK SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Holbrook Middle-High School Media Center
March 20, 2025
7:00pm

In Attendance: Barbara Davis, School Committee Chairperso
Renee Malvesti, School Committee Vice Chair
Fred White, School Committee Secretary
Christopher White, School Committee Member
Julie Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools
Christine Suckow, School Business Administrator
Jennifer Bates, Holbrook Middle-High School Principal
Stefanie DeRosa, Curriculum Director
Michael Bolger, Facilities Director
Rob King, Director of Technology
Rob Compton, Special Education Director
Bridget Baker, School Committee Recording Secretary

- FY25 School Department Payroll Expenditure Report
- FY25 School Department Operational Expenditure Report
- FY25 Schedule of Warrants Paid by the School Department
- 2nd Reading of Competency Determination for the Class of 2025
- February 13, 2025 School Committee Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Ms. Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resident's Concerns
None.

Superintendent Report
John F. Kennedy Elementary School
The John F. Kennedy Elementary School got a sneak peak of the Holbrook Middle-High Schools production of the Adams Family. The integrated preschool program is now accepting applications for students for September 2025. The bookfair at JFK will be held the week of March 27th. On April 2nd there will be a SEPAC meeting that all are welcome to attend. The HEPG Glow Night dance events will be held for boys on April 4th and for girls on May 2nd.

Holbrook Middle-High School
The Holbrook Middle-High School is holding a food drive to support the local Holbrook Food Pantry. The Bizarbots attended the New England regional competition at the University of Rhode Island last week and have another competition at the University of Vermont on March 27th.

Superintendent Hamilton recognized the achievements of the Holbrook Middle-High School students at the 2025 STN Convention. Carmen Sautelet, Antoli Theodate and Emma Tran received 1st place

for their Human-Interest Feature Story. Carmen Sautelet and Antoli Theodate received the Executive Producers Broadcast Excellence Program award. Treyton Cruz received the Associate Producer Broadcast Excellence Program award. Zanayah DaSilvia and Emily Yip received the Monthly NewsMagazine Producers silver medal. Lorelay Fermin Diaz and Marco Santini received the Weekly Show Producers silver medal. Taschaliah Blair and Emma Tran received the Daily Social Show bronze medal.

CBN Crew that assisted with all 3 shows recognized included: Nevaeh Carroll, Lorelei Fraticelli, Josiah King, Elyani Ramos, Justin Richiell, Gabe Santos, Anthony Sivos, Isabelle Teasley and Philopater Tomas.

Spring sports started on Monday and the winter sports banquet took place on March 11th.

District-Wide News
Superintendent Hamilton asked for a moment of silence to recognize the passing of former teacher Michael O'Connell who was a wonderful teacher and coach lovingly know to students, staff and his team as "Cookie". Mike is remembered due to his many years in our learning community, his kindness, his great sense of humor and dedication to the students he served throughout his career in Holbrook.

Student Advisory
Abigail DeMarco reported on recent and upcoming events which included fundraisers, senior events, club and sports updates. In addition, progress reports just came out, sophomores will be taking ELA MCAS on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week and third term ends on April 4th.

STN Presentation
Members of the STN group recapped their experience. Treyton Cruz, Associate Producer for CBN. The STN trip was one to remember and was a great opportunity for students from HMHS to showcase their skills in broadcast journalism. They won three program awards and one individual award. Their program with only 18 students is top 25 in the country.

Emma Tran, Emma Chan and Emily Yip also recapped their experiences and achievements.

Financials
Ms. Suckow reviewed the financials. All going as expected.

Personnel

New Hires
1. Mekayla Barbosa, Paraprofessional, John F. Kennedy Elementary School, effective March 10, 2025
2. Lisa Flecchia, Paraprofessional, Holbrook Middle-High School, effective January 2, 2025
3. Andrew Porter, Interim Physical Education Teacher, Holbrook Middle-High School, effective January 7, 2025

2nd Reading – Competency Determination for Class of 2025
No updates or changes. This is just a short-term plan for the current school year.

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No updates or changes,

School Committee subcommittee member reports
Ms. Davis reported that the policy subcommittee did meet and the updates policies as well as policies to be deleted will be on the next school committee agenda.

School Committee member reports
Ms. Davis updated the committee on the recent MASC Learning Lunch on the collective landscape trends and guideposts. Division III is having an in-person meeting on Thursday, April 10th at Southeastern Regional Votech.

Action items
February 13, 2025 School Committee Minutes
Mr. F. White made a motion to accept the February 13, 2025 School Committee Minutes as presented.

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4-0-0 (R. Despres not in attendance)

Old Business
None.

New Business
None.

ADJOURN or VOTE TO CONTINUE

Voted: (F. White/C. White) The School Committee made a motion to adjourn the regular School Committee Meeting of March 20, 2025 at 6:28pm.

4-0-0 (R. Despres not in attendance)

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Baker

Recording Secretary