



**PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MEETING
PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL
ELMER I. SILVA LEARNING CENTER
12 Winslow Street
PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657**

**TUESDAY, May 14, 2013
5:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Kerry Adams, Cass Benson (left @6:40p),
Tony Brackett, Jamie Kryszkiewicz
and Shannon Patrick.

Staff: Dr. Beth Singer, Superintendent
Kim Pike, District Principal

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Shannon Patrick who welcomed the new member Tony Brackett and congratulated Kerry Adams for his elected return. Also a thank you to Lory Stewart for all the hard work she did for the PSC.

Reorganization of School Committee

Motion: Move to nominate Kerry Adams as Chair and Shannon Patrick as Vice Chair with the stipulation that – if approved – they will participate in the graduation ceremonies together.

Motion: Cass Benson Seconded: Tony Brackett Vote: 5-0-0.

Public Comments

Rebecca Dolmath said that she wonders why our children aren't reading – and lo and behold - she has the solution. She had a spiel about a technological tool which

stone or whatever. None of these stones will be used in the structural part of this building so if you go with the cast stone it can be done in time and it will take 3 or 4 weeks to get the material. A lot of the repairs will be done in brick so a lot of brick work can be done before the cast stone is ready.

He continued by saying that he waited until March 30th because of the weather. He then explained the plans for the redo in detail while referring to a packet which the PSC had before them.

The main roof will be replaced. The elevator roofs can be patched and the original building will be weather tight.

Tony wants to avoid having to go back before town meeting and Beth said that the town expects that we'll be doing some other work under Capital Improvements in years to come.

Kerry asked - when will you have the mock-ups for us?

Mark said that he will prepare the bids for all the contractors, performance bonds, etc.

Motion: Move to proceed with the changes in the plan that Mark A. has presented regarding the cast stone.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Shannon Patrick Vote: 4-0-0.

Motion: The PSC would like to have a meeting to review the bid awarding and help to make the decision.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Jamie K. Vote: 3-0-1 ab (SP)

Tony B. said – we're not going to accept any bids which will be off the charts. If we don't have a quorum and don't have the people – then - we should delegate the decision to the Superintendent to avoid holding up the work.

Motion: Move to allow the Superintendent to invite the members of the PSC to be there for the bid opening.

Motion: Tony Brackett Seconded: Jamie K. Vote: 3-0-1 ab (SP)

The bids should be arriving during the 1st week of June.

Superintendent's Update:

▪ **Thank You**

Lory Stewart was thanked (in absentia) for all her hard work in negotiation, mediation over the playground, and her work on the new policy manual.

▪ **End of Year Events (get out your calendars!!!)**

May happenings:

- 16th – 9:30a - grade 3 play “The American Revolution”
- 21st – 6:00p – fund raising – 6th & 7th graders
- 28th – 5:00p - Night to Shine concert
- 31st - Senior Trip to Newport

June happenings:

- 5th – 2:00p - Class Day
- 6th – 6:00p – Baccalaureate at St. Peter’s + reception at PHS
- 7th – 4:00p – Graduation
- 13th & 14th – PYP visiting team for verification
- 17th – 1:15p – Cape Cod Symphony
- 18th – 5:00p – Cyber Bullying
- 21st – 9:00a - Move up day
- 24th – 2:00p - Commencement

▪ **Building Issues**

Three fencing companies have been asked for bids. We have rec’d two and are waiting for the 3rd.

▪ **Pedagogical Leadership Team**

This group has been necessitated by the IB group. The team will be making decisions about teaching and learning.

Unfinished Business:

Yesterday Beth received a proposal from Integrated Security Incorporated regarding security cameras. They have a proposal on where the cameras will be placed.

Their proposal calls for installing 4 cameras which are cabled to a server; the total is \$17K for installation. \$2,118 would be for the 1st year of maintenance. This cost would go up 4% each year. The proposal didn’t go to bid, it’s the company

that did the same for Monomoy and Barnstable and no bid is necessary because they are on the state list of approved vendors. Kerry asked if we've had any discussion with the MIS folks. Beth said they were included at the meeting. Beth said that the installation doesn't include connecting to the police station. Kerry then asked if there were any need for 4 cameras? Each camera is about \$1,200. Beth replied that we can do 1,2,3 or 4 and we can do that over time if we want.

Tony thinks that maybe the cost of this should be shared by the abutters?

Beth said that cameras are not an uncommon thing for schools to do. It's not something that the police department is going to be looking for for their purposes. **Motion: Move to revisit this camera issue when all the construction has been completed and not act on this now.**

Motion: Tony Brackett Seconded: Shannon Patrick Vote: 4-0-0.

Kerry said that a fellow from town installed a web cam on the pier and it was relatively inexpensive. Kerry will ask the fellow who did it; also MIS participated in this.

Adoption of PSC Policy Manual

Motion: Move to adopt the policy manual as previously adopted in form.

Motion: Jamie K. Seconded: Shannon Patrick Vote: 3-0-1 ab (TB)

Anyone who wants to bring in their obsolete policy manuals – we'll recycle.

New Business:

Bids: #2 Heating Oil, LP Gas & Milk

Shannon Patrick recused herself from the heating oil issue because of a conflict of interest.

Motion: Move to accept the oil and gas bids.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Tony Brackett Vote: 3-0-1 ab (SP)

(Since there was no bid on the milk – it will wait for the next meeting.)

Overnight Field Trip to the Museum of Science

Motion: Move to accept the MoS field trip for 11 students on May 16, 17.

Motion: Shannon Patrick Seconded: Jamie K. Vote: 4-0-0.

Social Networking Policy Amendment

We've adopted it and are already amending it. It is just a matter of adding 2 words.

Motion: Move to accept the amendment to the Social Networking Policy.

Motion: Shannon Patrick Seconded: Jamie K. Vote: 4-0-0.

Tony B. would like the teachers to copy the Principal on all e-mails they send to students.

Wee Care & Pre K Tuition Rates & Hours

Kerry asked – what's the reason for the increase since wee care is self sustaining?

Motion: Move to accept the Wee Care Fee Schedule as of September 1, 2013.

Motion: Tony Brackett Seconded: Jamie K. Vote: 4-0-0.

PSC Comments

Jamie – made her comments earlier. She's so impressed.

Tony - thank you for your welcome and looks forward to more functions, more programs, etc. and everyone appreciates the school for all their efforts.

Kim – thanks to the PTA – the teachers appreciated the wonderful lunch,, etc. and it was wonderful for them to be acknowledged.

Adjournment happened at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Gaudiano

E. Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by the school committee on June 11, 2013.