



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

**TUESDAY, June 11, 2013
5:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Kerry Adams, Cass Benson (arr 6:45 pm),
Tony Brackett, Jamie Kryszkiewicz,
and Shannon Patrick.

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

The meeting was called to order a bit after 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Public Comments

There were none.

Minutes: May 14, 2013

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2013 meeting as amended.

Motion: Shannon Patrick Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Vote: 4-0-0

Katie Silva-Presentation on Honduras

Katie could not be here tonight because she had a conflicting obligation. Dr. Singer had a message to share with those who couldn't attend Class Day. Tradition has it that a mini ceremony called "passing of the key" was – in the past – passing the key to the Junior Class (the next graduating class). This year a poignant message was written by Molly Nelson and the key was given to Dr. Singer in the hope that this one of a kind place known as Provincetown High School will rise again.

Superintendent's Update:

▪ NJHS Induction

The school has instituted membership in the National Junior Honor Society and our first MYP students were inducted. It marks the beginning of a new tradition with 5 students being inducted. It recognizes the qualities of scholarship, character, leadership, and service. It is a delightful new tradition.

▪ Building Issues

The VMCC is scheduled to be fully occupied by the end of the month and in preparation – we've contracted for the door that separates the entities to have an alarm system to be installed. In an emergency either side will be able to open the door but an alarm will sound in the building at the fire station.

Also the old VMCC fence will be replaced by a new chain link fence around the back of the building during the last week in June.

The neighbors at 8 Webster Place have installed a wood fence behind our playground fence.

Yesterday the parking lot was partially repainted adding parking spaces along the playground fence.

▪ End of Year Events

The school year will be ending 2 weeks from today.

On June 13th and 14th the PYP IB visiting team will be here. The PSC will be meeting them at 1:30p on Thursday, the 13th.

The sub bids for the roof are due at 3:00 p on June 20th and general bids are due by 3:00 p on June 27th.

The Cape Cod Symphony will be performing here on June 17th at 1:15p.

There will be a retirement party honoring Carol D-Amico, Sandy Bostwick,, Larry Brownell, and Cindy Lambrou at the Harbor Lounge on June 20th at 4:pm.

Move-Up Day is scheduled for June 21st.

The 8th grade Commencement will be held on June 24th at 2:p.

Last school day – once again, is slated for June 25th and will be a half day.

Summer Camp

This subject wasn't on the original agenda but is an end of year event. Summer Camps are being offered to students who would benefit from 6 weeks of learning and fun in math and/or ELA, and fitness. The camps begins July 8th and run 4 days/week until August 16th.

Commissioner's Letter

A letter was sent to Shannon (at the time she was the chair) stating that Beth Singer has been approved as Superintendent for Provincetown Schools for another year.

Unfinished Business:

2013-2014 School Calendar

The PSC had approved the calendar but the PAE requested a change. They would like to exchange a paid work day before the start of school for a day before the Thanksgiving holiday.

Motion: Move to approve the calendar as amended.

Motion: Shannon Patrick Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Vote: 4-0-0

Milk Bid

This subject was tabled the last meeting because it didn't include prices. Here are the milk prices. We have a single bid from Garelick Farms thus the following motion:

Motion: Move to accept the bid from Garelick Farms for the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion: Shannon Patrick

Seconded: Tony Brackett

Vote: 4-0-0

New Business:

Finance Committee

Tony B. attended the last FinCom meeting and there was an item called regionalization which caught his attention.

Evidently there had been something passed out from the previous meeting. He attended as a private citizen and Cass was also there. They accepted public comments and said that they would accept public comments during the entire meeting. They also stated that - perhaps in 3 to 6 months they would have more information. Tony suggested that they keep the PSC in the loop and he reminded them of the reaction to Article 30.

Tony said that on MYPACC someone wrote that he was thought to have a negative impact. After a bit more conversation the following motion was made:

Motion: Move to send a letter to FinCom asking to keep the PSC in the loop on any further discussions involving schools.

Motion: Tony Brackett

Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz

Vote: 4-0-0

Summer Meetings

It was decided to meet at least once a month during the summer. The usual dates fall on the 2nd Tuesday of the month – thus:

July 9th – Tuesday – 5:30p

and

August 13th – Tuesday – 5:30p

will be the next two meetings – if needed.

Personnel Adjustments

Beth recommended that the PSC make changes in the budget because of situations that have recently occurred. Because it was a list of involved changes, Dr. Singer went through item by item and informed the PSC of the reasons why.

After her lengthy explanations the following motion was made:

Motion: Move to accept the FY14 budget salary/position adjustments dated June 5, 2013 and transfer funds accordingly.

Motion: Shannon Patrick

Seconded: Tony Brackett

Vote: 4-0-0

Subcommittees

Beth said that in the past there have been various subcommittees. Sometimes we have had one for collective bargaining. We've had a Cape Cod Collaborative representative and we've had other ones, too. We've also had a subcommittee to work on the Superintendent's evaluation. It was decided that this would be decided at the next meeting.

New Business

At this point Cass arrived at 6:45p. She had a prior commitment to attend the Licensing meeting.

Jamie asked about Farm to School in Provincetown. Kim Pike said that we are introducing different foods to the children through tastings with town chefs. We have built cold frames in order to grow some foods. The COA plans on working with the school once they relocate to the VMCC and the flower boxes are a shared interest.

PSC Comments

Cass she would like to discuss "no place to hate" since they are similar to some experiences neighbors have had. It will be placed on the agenda for the future both in workshop and social media form. It was thought that a member of the "No Place To Hate" committee would be asked to address the PSC at a future meeting.

Tony Brackett read his partner's e-mail to Kim Pike stating that the graduation was a wonderfully moving ceremony.

Shannon's comment on the graduation – perfect setting – it was touching, it was an appropriate end to the year.....also alumni activities were great.

Kerry – great comment on the graduation.....it took him 6 years to get to be chair of the PSC and he got to hand out his daughter's diploma. He also announced the father's day fishing derby on the pier 9 to noon

Adjournment happened at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Gaudiano

E. Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by Kerry Adams, Chair on July 9, 2013.