

**PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL  
ELMER I. SILVA LEARNING CENTER  
12 WINSLOW STREET  
PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657  
TUESDAY, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Members Present:** Kerry Adams, Cass Benson, Anthony Brackett, Liz Lovati

**Members Absent:** Shannon Sawyer

**Others:** Dr. Beth Singer, Superintendent

**1. The meeting was called to order at 5:15**

**2. Roll Called: (See above)**

**3. Public Comments:** None

**4. Superintendent's Update**

***4.1 Exterior Restoration***

Monday morning at 8:00 we will declare we're at "substantial completion" and after that develop a punch list of the remaining details to complete. Today the roof over the library and auditorium was repaired, most of the stonework is done, and there is one more roof to do.

***4.2 Radio Show***

I taped first radio show with Beth Francis. It will air first Sunday of the month – January 5<sup>th</sup> at noon - as all shows will, and we've been invited to do two a month if we want to. They're also looking for other times to air them. The next will be focused on MYP, and would like to have Nancy Flasher and students too. The PSC members are invited to be on as well.

***4.3 Pot Luck Luncheon***

Tomorrow at noon Friday

**5. Unfinished Business**

***5.1 FY-15 Budget Adoption***

Cass Benson: The high school budget is sort of arbitrary, because we don't control number of students. I know this budget is bare bones and hope we can add when we have to add

Anthony Brackett: Yes, this is bare bones. I'm glad we're growing the school. At a 1.5% increase in the budget for grades PK-8, I think that's a good place to be now as well as having some other goals for professional staff in the future.

Kerry Adams: Our budgets in the past have been extremely difficult to go through– this is very simple – congrats to those who put it together – happy to see school is growing and that the budget is lean.

AB: This is what it costs to run or school, a quality school.

CB: To have a 20% increase in students, and only a small increase in budget, is great.

### **Motion to accept the High school budget for FY 2015**

**Motion: Cass Benson            Seconded: Anthony Brackett Vote: 4-0-1**

### **Motion to accept the Provincetown schools PK-8 Budget for FY 2015**

**Motion: Cass Benson            Seconded: Liz Lovati            Vote: 4-0-1**

### ***5.2 Joint BOS/FinCom Meeting***

Beth Singer: Scheduled Jan 28<sup>th</sup> for a triple meeting. I am beginning to prepare for that with a good deal of information and legal parameters to offer and other data, if there's anything you think should be included, please send me an e-mail. If we could meet earlier that day or on another day to review the presentation that would be good – possibly the 21<sup>st</sup>.

We will have a PSC meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss the upcoming joint meeting.

## **6 New Business**

### ***6.1 Medication Delegation***

Postponed because the school nurse was unable to attend tonight.

## **7. PSC Comments**

AB: It's been a great 4 months to begin the school year, a big thanks to all the school staff for the work they do and work they put in to making this school first rate and something the community can and should be proud of. Thanks to the community partners who have volunteered some of their time for the children to develop our programs and enrich their education, it's a big component of IB and one of our strongest suits when we were being observed so I'm very grateful for that. We have a great school it saddens me that we have empty chairs at our meetings. I would love to see community members come to our meetings and ask questions or listen - that's how people learn about this school and what's going on, and every other Tuesday we have a Q&A at the school in an informal setting, and you can always get more involved if you want to.

Kerry Adams: I've been blown away with enthusiasm for IB from the staff, and kids are the same, it's a great program and we have a great school. Thanks for PTV and Melissa Yeaw in particular and all the people at PTV for doing this.

BS: The radio show we did was taped by PTV so you can see that visually too. Happy, safe, and joyous holidays.

## **8. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn**

**Motion: Anthony Brackett Seconded: Cass Benson Vote: 4-0-1**

Respectively submitted,

Ben Williams

**Approved by the School Committee on February 11, 2014**