



Provincetown Schools

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

Monday, June 10, 2019

TIME: 4:30 P.M.

Attending:

Eva Enos, Chair

Tracey Kachtick-Anders

Dr. Beth Singer, Superintendent

Liz Lovati, Vice Chair

Ngina Lythcott

Megan Amorese, Fishermen Hall

Jim Hardy, MASC

Absent:

Cass Benson

MINUTES

1. Call To Order at 4:32pm
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comments
4. Minutes
 - May 8, 2019
 - May 10, 2019
 - Executive Session minutes related to Superintendent search
 - MOTION: Liz Lovati made a motion to approve the minutes from May 8, 2019
 - SECOND: Ngina Lythcott
 - VOTE:4-0-0

 - MOTION: Ngina made a motion to approve the minutes from May 10, 2019
 - SECOND: Tracey Kachtick-Anders
 - VOTE: 4-0-0

 - MOTION: Liz Lovati made a motion to approve the executive session minutes from May 10, 2019
 - SECOND: Ngina Lythcott
 - VOTE: 4-0-0

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- MOTION: Ngina Lythcott made a motion to approve the executive session minutes from May 10, 2019 2pm meeting.
- SECOND:Liz Lovati
- VOTE: 4-0-0

Warrants: available for committee review

5. Superintendent's Update:

7.1 Personnel

- Dr. Singer informed the committee that Provincetown Schools has hired a librarian, Susan Heinz; a PYP grade 2 teacher, Kristin Connolly; a preschool teacher, Bonnie Schumacher
- We continue to look for a school nurse, Wee Care early educators and we have had no response for a Math Coach.
- The committee discussed the possibility of making the Math Coach a full-time job to entice applicants.
 - MOTION: Ngina moved to make Math Coach position a full-time position for the SY19/20
 - SECOND: Liz Lovati
 - VOTE: 4-0-0

7.2 Exemplary Award for Mass DOT Safe Routes to School

- Dr. Singer present the award the Provincetown Schools' received for the Safe Routes to School program.

7.3 Parting Meeting

- Dr. Singer shared parting thoughts with the committee as this is her last school committee meeting.

MOTION: Eva Enos made a motion to move Fishermen Hall 9.1 up in the agenda

SECOND: Liz Lovati

VOTE: 4-0-0

6. Unfinished Business:

8.1 Policy 21

- Jim Hardy, field director, presented information about the Policy 21 program offered by MASC. Policy 21 is a digital platform.
- Liz Lovati asked Jim Hardy how much the service was. He informed the committee that the cost was \$3500 for the first year, \$950 each year thereafter.
- Jim Hardy showed the committee examples on the MASC website.
 - MOTION: Ngina Lythcott made a motion to join the Policy 21 program.
 - SECOND: Liz Lovati
 - VOTE: 4-0-0

8.2 PSC Evaluation Process

- MOTION: Eva Enos made a motion to not conduct a school committee evaluation this year.
- SECOND: Ngina Lythcott
- VOTE: 4-0-0

8.3 Building Use Policy

- Eva presented the committee with changes to the Building Use Policy.
- Tracey expressed her concerns about allowing events that may discriminate against people.
- The committee discussed having a representative present at all shows to make audience members follow rules.

- MOTION: Eva Enos made a motion to form a sub committee to work on the Building Use Policy that will include: Superintendent, Liz Lovati, Megan Amorese, community member.
- SECOND: Liz Lovati
- VOTE: 4-0-0

8.3 Wee Care Policies

- MOTION: Eva made a motion to form a sub committee to work on the Wee Care Policies that will include: Superintendent, Ngina Lythcott, Director of the Early Learning Center and the Early Learning Center coordinator.
- SECOND: Ngina Lythcott
- VOTE: 4-0-0
 - Dr. Singer pointed out to the committee that many of the policies are timely and should be looked at quickly.
 - The committee discussed the expectation that the most timely policies be addressed at the July school committee meeting, which will be held on July 31st. The new director will be notified of this expectation. The Director will be instructed to set up the initial meeting of the sub-committee.

7. New Business:

9.1 Fisherman Hall update - Megan Amorese

- Megan Amorese spoke about Fishermen Hall and the production in the gym this summer.
- Megan discussed the Airotics show and future changes to contracts.
- The committee members discussed and asked questions that have been asked of them by the public.
- Megan explained that the program is evolving and changes can be made as we move on.
- A committee member asked how many chairs were purchased for the gym space and how were the chairs paid for. 180 chairs were purchased at a cost of approximately \$2800 and were paid from the building use revolving fund.

9.3 Free Speech Policy update

- Eva Enos informed the committee that she will be working with MASC on an updated policy.

9.4 Choice Vote for SY 2019-20

- MOTION: Liz Lovati made a motion to vote to accept school choice students reserving the right to close specific grades based on enrollment.
- SECOND: Ngina Lythcott
- VOTE: 4-0-0

9.5 Approval of Bids: Playground, oil, propane

- MOTION: Liz Lovati made a motion to accept the East River Energy bid.
- SECOND: Ngina Lythcott
- VOTE: 4-0-0

- MOTION: Liz Lovati made a motion to accept the Frank Days LP Gas bid.
- SECOND: Tracey Kachtick-Anders
- VOTE: 3-0-1 (Eva Enos abstained)

- MOTION: Liz Lovati made a motion to accept the ME O'Brien bid for the poured surface for the VMCC playground.
- SECOND: Ngina Lythcott

- VOTE: 4-0-0
- 9.6 Purchasing Policy and Procedures
 - The committee reviewed the procedures
- 9.7 Financial Report: Appropriated Funds, revolving accounts, student activities
 - The committee reviewed the financial reports and asked questions
- 9.8 Collaboration with Neighboring Districts
 - A meeting is scheduled at the end of the month to meet with Truro and Nauset. Dr. Singer reviewed the ideas that have been considered with the committee and the purpose of the meeting. Concerns regarding not having the new Superintendent present were discussed.
- 9.9 July Meeting
 - Next meeting will be held on July 31st at 4:30pm with a committee reorganization during that meeting.
- 8. PSC Comments
 - Liz Lovati: Thanked Dr. Singer for the amazing gifts she has given the community and the school.
 - Eva Enos: Thanked Cass Benson and Tracey Kachtick-Anders for their service on the committee.
 - Ngina Lythcott: Stated that she was going to miss Tracey Kachtick-Anders and Cass Benson because they have helped her grow and understand things in a different way. She indicated that she appreciated their service. Also stated that it has been a wonderful journey with Dr. Singer. Admire and respect Dr. Singer. Thanked her for the opportunity. Thanked Eva Enos for being the chair and being an active chair of the committee.
 - Tracey: Stated that Dr. Singer made being on the school committee easy and comfortable. Appreciates all of the good work Dr. Singer has done for the community and the school.
- 9. Adjourn public meeting
 - Motion: Liz Lovati made a motion to adjourn
 - Second: Tracey Kachtick-Anders
 - VOTE: 4-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.