

Town of Provincetown
School Committee
Veterans Memorial Elementary
Library/Media Center Room #73
2 Mayflower Lane
Minutes of March 31, 2009

Members Present: Terese Nelson, Chairperson, Peter Grosso, Vice Chairperson, Debra Trovato, Kerry Adams Secretary, and Shannon Patrick

Others Present: Jessica Waugh, Superintendent of Schools, David McGlothlin, Alma Welsh, Barbara Grandel, Genevieve Martin, Nancy Flasher, Elizabeth Francis, Helena Ferreira, Lucy Hamilton, Carol D'Amico, Linda Koelbel, Carrie Notaro, Amy Rokicki, Nellie Lukac and Others

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:10 P.M.

Public Comments:

- Shannon Patrick read a letter from Maryann Campagna request to be on the Principal Search committee
 - Alma Welsh stated her feelings on holding public voting at the VMES Gym with a primary concern of the traffic in the parking lot and danger it presents to students, staff and families
 - David McGlothlin read his letter of complaint regarding the teacher cuts for FY-10
- Chairperson Nelson asked if she could have a copy which she received

Minutes:

March 9, 2009 Minutes were reviewed. Kerry Adams made a motion to approve the minutes. Peter Grosso Seconded. So voted 5-0

Unfinished Business:

FY-10 Proposed School Budget: Peter Grosso made a motion to approve the FY-10 School Budget. Seconded by Kerry Adams. So voted 5-0

The upcoming town meeting was briefly discussed.

2009-10 School Calendar was reviewed with the changes made from suggestions of the PAE removing one Professional Development Day. Peter Grosso made a motion to accept the PAE adjustment to the proposed calendar. Seconded by Kerry Adams. So voted 5-0
It was agreed to place for a formal/final vote on next agenda.

Pre-K School Bus Policy was discussed and Superintendent Waugh was asked to convey several questions in that regard to Edward Lenox, school committee attorney.

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The Master Calendar for next year was discussed around issues of 6th Grade, teacher assignments and promoting new courses for the Fall i.e. music, theatre, plumbing, electrical and culinary.

5.6 Use of school facilities (for voting purposes) was discussed. Peter Grosso stated the school will work out a safe way to accommodate the town's need for holding elections. He stated the school will put together a set of guidelines for the town to follow and to keep in mind the maintenance of the gym floor, as well as student and staff safety.

5:00 P.M. – Discussion with Jim Hardy, M.A.S.C.

The school committee entered into discussion (only) with Jim Hardy, M.A.S.C. regarding the principal and superintendent search process. Best way to handle advertising, applicant possibilities, forming search committees and so forth.

6:00 Back to regular session:

New Business:

Promoting new courses for the fall was discussed under Master Calendar.

Chairperson Nelson announced the committee would be entering Executive Session to have discussions with respect to Collective Bargaining and Discussion regarding non-union contracts. And, the committee would not be returning to open session for the purpose of Adjournment.

On roll call vote it was so agreed unanimously.

Adjournment: 6:40 P.M.

These Minutes were approved at a meeting held on: 5/12/2009