

Town of Provincetown  
School Committee  
Veterans Memorial Elementary  
Library/Media Center Room #73  
2 Mayflower Lane

Minutes of August 21, 2007

Members Present: Terese Nelson (Chair), Peter Grosso (Vice Chair), Shannon Patrick, Debra Trovato Absent: Kerry Adams

Others Present: Jessica Waugh, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Floriano Pavão, School Principal (arrived at 9:00 A.M.), Sallie Tighe, PAE President, Donna O'Brien Lead School Nurse, Dr. Joely Edwards, Marcia Miriam, School Nurse and Others

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:36 A.M.

Public Comments:

Lead School Nurse Donna O'Brien updated the committee on potassium iodide. Nurse O'Brien distributed a draft of the proposed policy to the committee. A vote should be taken within the month.

Minutes:

Peter Grosso made a motion to approve the 6/11/2007 Minutes. Seconded by Debra Trovato. So voted 4-0

Peter Grosso made a motion to approve the 7/10/2007 Minutes. Seconded by Debra Trovato. So voted 3-0 Shannon Patrick abstained

Superintendent's Update:

Ms. Waugh shared the names of some new personnel beginning in September. She indicated all new staff members will be introduced at the first school committee meeting in September.

Ms. Waugh indicated the Truro Tuition Agreement is still current through FY-09. The only change will be the per pupil cost which (per the agreement with Truro) is 86% of the FY-06 End of Year Report per pupil cost.

Ms. Waugh discussed creating a school district "Master Calendar" concept which the Committee felt was an excellent idea.

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Terese Nelson made a motion to move Agenda Item 6.3 to the beginning of the meeting. Seconded by Debra Trovato. So voted 4-0

6.3 Health Advisory Report: Dr. Joely Edwards shared information with the Committee on the health advisory report.

Unfinished Business:

6.1 Athletic Handbook review: Debra Trovato made a motion to table until we have appointed an Athletic Director. Seconded by Peter Grosso. So voted 4-0

6.2 PHS Student Handbook: The committee began discussion around the student handbook. Terese Nelson suggested we have a middle school handbook and a separate high school handbook. Peter Grosso suggested the committee set a policy where homework is a specific percentage of the student's grade. Ms. Trovato asked the superintendent to get

samples handbook policies specifically for middle schools.

New Business:

7.1 Adjustment to 2007-08 School Calendar due to an error on the calendar approved in March 27, 2007. Shannon Patrick made a motion to change Senior Exam Dates to May 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> and Senior Early Release Day to May 30<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Debra Trovato. So voted 4-0

Terese Nelson stated the reason for the Executive Session is for discussion with respect to non-union contracts and discussion around strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining. The committee on a roll call vote agreed to go into executive session. Mrs. Nelson, Chair announced the meeting will not reconvene in open session for purposes of adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Patrick  
School Committee

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Date

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These Minutes were approved at a meeting held on: 11/27/2007