

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**Meeting minutes of January 8, 2002
Meeting held in the cafeteria of Provincetown High School**

Members Present: Terese Nelson (Chair), Frank Wills (Vice-Chair), Debra Trovato (Secretary), Dana Berry and William Rogers.

Others Present: Dr. Colette Traylor (Interim Superintendent), Edward Boxer (Acting High School Principal), William Rokicki (VMES Principal) and Sheila Colburn (Recording Secretary).

REGULAR SESSION

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

No visitors statements.

MINUTES:

Debra Trovato made a motion to accept the minutes of December 11, 2001 as written; seconded by Frank Wills; and so voted 5-0.

EDUCATIONAL UPDATE:

A schedule of future meetings was discussed as follows: 1/29/02 @ 6:30 PM Public Hearing for School Budget; 1/29/02 @ 7:00 PM Joint Meeting with Truro School Committee.

Dr. Traylor informed the committee that Rick Leighton's request for a grant for Math and Science Curriculum was granted in the amount of \$7,640.

School Building Project update: The Building Committee met today and Dr. Traylor informed the committee of the latest developments of the project. A discussion was held on how to pay the building project interest until State monies begin to come in. A handout from the Town Manager was given to the committee with an explanation on how this would be accomplished.

Relocation of VMES to the Annex Building has gone very smoothly. There is a possibility of extending the play area in the parking lot so that the students have more room to move about.

It was the recommendation of the School Building Committee to ask the voters at Town Meeting in April to increase the School Building Project monies by \$500,000 and the high school bond from 10-20 years. William Rogers made a motion to support the Building Committee's recommendation; Frank Wills seconded and it was so voted 4-1 with Dana Berry opposed.

Dr. Traylor informed the committee that the Provincetown Police Association donated \$1,000 to the Motta Field Restoration Project and the Boston Striker Soccer Club donated \$200 to the Athletic Program at PHS. Frank Wills made a motion to accept the donations gratefully; William Rogers seconded; and it was so voted 5-0.

The District Technology Plan has been State approved through December 2002.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

School Budget 2002-03: Dr. Traylor was informed that the debt service cannot be put into the school budget. Those monies allocated on the first proposal of the school budget will be changed. Dr. Traylor brought her proposal to the committee and the items were discussed. Dana Berry made a motion to give preliminary approval to the budget as presented by Dr. Traylor pending the public hearing on 1/29/02; seconded by William Rogers; and so voted 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

PHS Ski Trip request was proposed by Susan Avellar for the weekend of March 8-10, 2002.

Debra Trovato made a motion to approve this trip; seconded by Frank Wills; and so voted 5-0.

Dr. Traylor informed the committee that she has spoken to the lawyer about a Physical Restraint Policy. After some discussion the following motion was made: Dana Berry made the motion that the School Committee adopt as policy file JKAA, the policy regarding the Physical Restraint of Students adopted by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees on September 20, 2001 (first reading); seconded by Frank Wills; and so voted 4-1 abstained (William

Rogers).

Dana Berry made a motion that the school committee adopt as policy file EBAB, the policy regarding Pest Management adopted by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees on November 20, 2001 (first reading); seconded by Debra Trovato; so voted 5-0.

A staff member has requested sick days from the sick bank because she has exhausted hers with a long illness. Two members of the School Committee volunteered to be on the sick bank committee: Debra Trovato and William Rogers. Dana Berry made the motion that they represent the committee on the sick bank committee; seconded by Frank Wills; so voted 5-0.

CLOSING STATEMENTS:

Frank Wills informed the committee that the Long Range Planning Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

These minutes were approved by a vote of the Provincetown School Committee at their regular meeting on _____, 20__.

Respectfully Submitted,

School Committee Signature

Title

Sheila M. Colburn, Recording Secretary