

PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of July 15, 2003 Meeting held at Annex Building

Present: Terese Nelson (Chair), Peter Grosso (Vice-Chair), Frank Wills (Secretary), Molly Perdue and Debra Trovato.
Others Present: Dr. Colette Traylor (Superintendent) and Sheila Colburn (Recording Secretary).

WORK SESSION

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM. The Chair stated that the meeting would be adjourned at the end of the Executive Session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Stephen Roderick spoke of using the Annex Building as possible affordable housing.

Mr. Dennis Clark thanked the Committee for setting up the work session with the Recreation Department.

The Chair began the session by stating the need for the Recreation Department and the school to work together for our children. The Recreation Department's athletic programs serve as feeder programs for middle and high school athletics.

Dr. Traylor expressed that she would like to coordinate the summer programs so that students could participate in the academics as well as recreation program. She also stated that the district is training two more people to become bus drivers.

Candy Silva (Parent) stated that lack of gym time for the elementary school students is an ongoing problem; more so this year with the renovation project. She felt that the middle school and junior varsity sport programs have been lacking competition and that the players want more games not just practices. She also requested that parents be given directions to playing venues at the beginning of each season.

Dennis Clark (Recreation Director) stated that he uses the VMES mostly during rainy days during the summer.

Those present agreed that better communication on activities is necessary so that they are not duplicated. There is a need for feeder programs and bringing people in to do sport camps.

Tracey Roderick (Parent and Assistant Recreation Director) felt that there may be a lack of high standards expected of players because of low numbers, with behavior being an issue. Hiring good coaches is essential for all athletic programs.

There was a discussion held on places available for students to play on the off season including the gyms and outside courts. Middle School ice hockey was discussed.

There will be another work session to continue this discussion scheduled for August.

REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES:

Frank Wills made the motion to accept the minutes of May 27, 2003 with the addition of: "except for those related to School Building Project" to be added at the end of paragraph three under Educational Update; Peter Grosso seconded; Molly Perdue and Debra Trovato abstained; so voted 3-0-2.

Debra Trovato made the motion to table the minutes of June 10, 2003 until the next school committee meeting; Peter Grosso seconded; so voted 5-0.

EDUCATIONAL UPDATE:

Dr. Traylor informed the Committee of the new staff that has been hired for the 2003-2004 school year as follows:

Thadius Dubsky as Director of Instructional Technology; Nathaniel Bull as Industrial Arts/Tech Teacher (80%); and Janice Newell as Instructional Technology Teacher.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

6.1 Frank Wills made the motion to accept **PSC Policy: DO-Grant Supplanting**; Peter Grosso seconded; and so voted 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

7.1 Molly Perdue made a motion to approve the PHS Student Handbook 2003-2004; Peter Grosso seconded; so voted 5-0.

This meeting will be adjourned from Executive Session.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

School Committee Signature

Title

Sheila M. Colburn, Recording Secretary