

# PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of January 27, 2004 Meeting @ High School Annex

**Present:** \_\_\_\_\_ Terese Nelson (Chairperson), Peter Grosso (Vice-Chairman), Frank Wills, Debra Trovato and Molly Perdue

**Others Present:** Dr. Colette B. Trailer (Supt. of Schools), Edward Boxer (PHS Principal), Anthony Teso (VMES Principal. Director of Student Services)

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:38 P.M.

## **Minutes:**

Debra Trovato moved to accept the minutes of 11/4/03, seconded by Peter Grosso; so voted 5-0.

Debra Trovato moved to accept the minutes of 1/13/04, seconded by Peter Grosso; so voted 4-0 (1 abstention Frank Wills).

## **Educational Update:**

- Valerie Carrano, Director of Human Resources Council on Aging made a presentation to the committee regarding the John Henry Scholarship Fund. Ms. Carrano discussed how to make resources available to needy children. Dr. Trailer informed the committee Anna Avellar donated a Spinnet piano to the school music department.  
Dr. Trailer informed the committee the FY-05 School Budget was ready for presentation to the Finance Committee.  
Dr. Trailer informed the committee that Melanie Braverman has been appointed Director of Adult Education. Ms. Braverman made available the Adult Education program for 2004.  
Dr. Trailer informed the committee of the need to organize public relations initiatives which could result in additional School Choice students attending our schools.

## **Unfinished Business:**

None

## **New Business: 7.1**

Dr. Trailer presented a job description for the part time, temporary public relations liaison to be charged with developing a public relations and student recruitment program. Peter Grosso moved to approve, Molly Perdue seconded (she also requested a sub committee to be organized to take a survey of various constituencies' perceptions of the Provincetown School District). Motion as amended was approved 4-0 with one abstention

7.2 **Out of state ski trip request** for group of four high school students to be chaperoned by John Hanlon and Susan Avellar. Frank Wills moved to approve, Peter Grosso seconded; so voted 4-0

**Mass. Maritime Academy/Marine Environmental Symposium** invitation to students was presented to the committee. The trip is for high school students. Frank Wills made a motion to approve; Deb Trovato seconded; so voted 4-0.

7.3 **2004-05 School Calendar** was discussed; tabled until next meeting pending more research.

7.4 The committee was presented with the **VMES Mission Statement and Expectations** for approval. The statement and expectations are part of NEASC self-study. Frank Wills made a motion to approve, Deb Trovato seconded; it was so voted 4-0.

7.5 The committee was presented a **Line Item Transfer Request**. The line item transfer request to move from account #10-2330-44-155 (Teacher Salary Professional Contractual Services - Special Needs); to account #10-9300-44-400-155 (Programs/Non Public Schools Special Needs)

8. **Closing Statements:**

- \* The committee expressed concern that no action has been taken on their request of the Board of Selectmen to approve the lease RFP. Consensus was that the school department's attorney is to write a letter to the Selectmen.

Frank Wills made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Deb Trovato; so voted 4-0 at 7:45 P.M.