



Provincetown School Committee Meeting

**PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL
ELMER I. SILVA LEARNING CENTER
12 Winslow Street
PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657**

**Tuesday
May 29, 2012
5:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Cass Benson, Jamie Kryszkiewicz,
Shannon Patrick, and Lory Stewart.

Member Absent: Kerry Adams

Staff: Dr. Beth Singer, Superintendent
Kim Pike, District Principal

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

AGENDA

Reorganization of School Committee

Motion: Move to nominate Shannon Patrick as Chairman.

Motion: Cass Benson Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz

Vote: 3-0-1 ab (LS)

Motion: Move to nominate Cass Benson as Vice Chair.

Motion: Shannon Patrick Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz **Vote:** 4-0-0

Motion: Move to appoint Evelyn Gaudiano as PSC Secretary.

The above motion was made, seconded, and approved by all.

Public Comments

There were none.

Minutes: May 8, 2012

Motion: Move to accept the minutes of May 8th as written.

Motion: Lory Stewart Seconded: Cass Benson Vote: 4-0-0

Superintendent's Update:

▪ **Resignation**

A letter of resignation was received from Emily Edwards, the current Spanish teacher. The position is currently being advertised as a .8 FTE.

Larry Brownell has returned to resume his duties.

▪ **PHS exterior building envelope evaluation**

Three quotes for inspection and analysis were received and they ranged from \$10,985 to \$18,000. We have accepted the one from Mark Almeda who did the work at the town hall and also gave the lowest quote. He will come here and evaluate what needs to be done; this will conclude the inspection and the analysis. We would like the work to be done over the summer. It's best done in the summer without the children around.

Lory wants to know how the VMES building is coming along. Dr. Singer said that she is planning to move back the wee ones during the summer. It's air conditioned and the playground is in place. We are having classrooms painted by the Sheriffs crew.

Cass said that the building looks abandoned. Beth said that we've hired another landscaping provider for this year. He will begin working on the VMCC grounds.

Cass said that the grounds look awful.

▪ **End of year events**

The end-of-year events are dizzying since there are so very many. They are listed below and attest to the planning and enthusiasm involved:

- May 29th Junior/Senior Cook-out @ 12:30 p.m.
- May 30th Night to Shine @ 6:00 p.m.
- May 31st Children's Cove Presentation @ 9:00 a.m.
- June 1st Senior Project Presentation @ 2:30 p.m.
- June 2nd Senior Trip to North Conway
- June 4th Music Works K-7 @ 10:30 a.m.
- June 5th Senior's return from North Conway

June 6th Class Day @ 1:30 p.m. and Senior Picnic @ 4:30 p.m.
 June 7th Baccalaureate @ St. Mary's Church @ 6:00 p.m.
 June 8th Graduation (Provincelands) @ 4:00 p.m.
 June 12th Mark Rothstein Jump Roping Assembly & Workshops
 8:30 a.m. – 12: noon
 June 13th Tentative Juniors Field Trip
 June 14th Pocket Math Presentation @ 3:30 p.m.
 June 15th K-4 Field Trip to Brewster Museum of Natural History
 June 19th Cook Out PreK-7 Field Day
 June 20th PreK-7 Nanny Goats Gruff Play
 June 21st Junior Awards Night @ 6:00 p.m.
 June 22nd LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (1/2 dy) & Portuguese Fest.
 Added to this array, the MYP Consultant will be visiting June 10 thru 12!

Unfinished Business:

Paraprofessional job description-2nd reading

Motion: Move to accept the Paraprofessional job description as written.

Motion: Lory Stewart Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Vote: 4-0-0.

New Business:

IB policies

The PYP consultant was here for 2 days and she strongly recommended that we add a sentence to page 4 in the Language Policy. The added sentence reads.... ***5. Provincetown Schools will use available state grant money for the purpose of supporting its reading program including but not limited to: Reading Support.***

The consultant said that she might bring it back for another modification. She further said that this is an opportunity to highlight all the things that we do well.

The 2nd modification is for the Assessment Policy and is the first bullet on page 1. It states: ***Provincetown Schools will implement state required testing such as MCAS as part of its planned core assessments.***

Motion: Move to amend the policies as suggested.

Motion: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Seconded: Cass Benson Vote: 4-0-0

Letter of support

IB also requests a letter of support for IB in Provincetown. It was read and spawned the following motion:

Motion: Move to accept the letter of support as written.

Motion: Shannon Patrick Seconded: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Vote: 4-0-0

Monomoy Tuition Agreement

Monomoy and Provincetown are at the point of establishing some of the details of the Tuition Agreement. PSC input is needed on: duration of agreement, payment procedures and any other details deemed important to include.

Lory would like to make a long term tuition agreement – Beth also feels that a long one would be better. We can start with ten years and negotiate from there. Jamie said that we can always opt out of a long term agreement, so why not.

Lory said that their opening date will be in 2 years and there is more than one high school that is nervous. Nauset has a lot of choice kids from Chatham and Beth predicted that adding a high school into the mix will certainly change the dynamics for the area schools.

Cass' big concern is about having two buses - an early one and a later one. Beth said that this issue will come down to a vote of the PSC. She will bring a proposal forward.

Beth – regarding the tuition agreement – asked – how frequently do we pay the bill? We are supposed to pay them upon receipt of the bill. Bi-monthly was the consensus of the PSC.

PSC Comments

Cass said that it's really exciting to have the IB program progressing.

Beth said that we're 4 months away from implementation. Kim is preparing to submit our proposal on Oct 1st – the IB group will read it and then give us their comments. There will be 3 or 4 people who will come and do a site visit for verification.

NEXT MEETING

June 12th

5:00 p.m.

Adjournment happened at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by the School Committee on June 12, 2012

Shannon Patrick, Chair