

Dr. Singer presented a sample of wood that had dried out; initially it was like a sponge. It was from the new library space in VMCC. In taking the wall down – a whole wall and another wall were saturated and mildewy from the steam heat that had been escaping from the pipes and condensed inside the wall. In another room a floor was replaced. Larry Brownell has done the demolition and he has replaced the floor.

The Sheriff's group was here and painted all our VMCC classrooms. We are expecting new bark chips to be delivered to the preschool playground and also we've ordered new sand for the sandbox. A playground equipment inspection has already been ordered. The Town has helped with all of this.

The replacement of the heating system at VMCC will begin right after Labor Day.

We'll be moving the Wee Care back to the VMCC over the last week of June. The standard of ventilation is higher for small children and the building has passed. The library room is the one that had been damaged and will not be used.

At the VMCC the roof still leaks. There is no funding identified for fixing that but the roof will have to be repaired or replaced somehow.

▪ **IB-PYP Reader & MYP Visitor**

The MYP reader spent two days visiting/assessing and she just left. She is our IB consultant for MYP and she's from the Fairfax School System.

She said that all teachers and children in her school sit in rocking chairs because constant movement is beneficial. She met with a whole lot of people and Nancy Flasher, our MYP Coordinator, did an excellent job of preparing, scheduling, and arranging; also she was a copious note taker. Nonje's visit brought new energy to our IB efforts, and reinforced our commitment to IB; she sees great potential for us.

Jamie K. said that she felt that the whole community needs to be involved. Sharon Lynn, the Town Manager, is very excited about the entire concept.

Beth said they got a report from the primary group and the bottom line said – you're ready! We'll submit in October so that we can get verified for the 2014 school year.

▪ **Personnel Issues**

We have a student who will be needing extensive services and we've recently reduced a spec ed teacher to .8; Beth thinks we need to bring that back to full time.

▪ **PAE Executive Board**

A new Executive Board has recently been elected. It is comprised of Lisa Colley, President – Beth Francis, Vice President – Judith Stayton, Treasurer – and the secretarial services shared by Maryann Campagna and Judy Ward. Val Golden is the “at large” representative. This newly elected Board will take over on June 18th.

▪ **Stop & Shop**

A letter from Betty White to the PSC refers to the values of the Stop and Shop A+ rewards program. We gleaned \$1,358.37 from the program and – it costs the participants nothing but just allows people to name a school of their choice (as in Provincetown) to receive points for the school. It doesn't cost the shoppers anything. It was thought that perhaps a table at the S & S might be set up in the fall to inform people of the A+ rewards program. In prior years the only notification was sent out to members of the school community; now it was thought that informing everyone of this benefit would be valuable.

Lory Stewart said that a few years ago she used to live in Vermont and kids gathered the receipts at a super market with a similar program and thousands and thousands of dollars were generated. This is an opportunity that we need to take advantage of and - the more people who know about it, the more will sign up.

Kerry Adams had a marketing suggestion..... Make the Provincetown Business Guild (PBG) and the Chamber of Commerce (CofC) aware of this opportunity and they will gladly join in the effort. You can register online.

Happenings.....

The **Three Nanny Goats Gruff** is being performed on Wednesday, June 20th at 9:00 a.m.

Also, on the 20th – it's the 20th anniversary of the Student and Educator Curating Program at PAAM and will happen from 7-9 p.m.; the invitation was designed by one of our students.

Reports:

Financial Report

Dr. Singer did an oral report on finances for the end of FY-12. She said that we continue to pay payroll through the summer and expect to have a considerable cushion. She then went on to elaborate:

1. We have \$45,000 unspent in the Nauset tuition line.
2. We have \$28,000 unspent in out-of-district placements.
3. We have \$12,000 unspent as a result of a new Admin. Asst.
4. We have \$25,000 remaining in technology software because we pre-paid for things in FY11.
5. We over-estimated fees for participating in CO-op athletics. There is almost \$8,000 remaining in that line.
6. Since VMES has been empty, and the winter a mild one, we have saved (in heat and electricity) \$85,000.

Some of these funds will offset the .2 increase for the aforementioned sped teacher which will account for a \$13,000 increase. Also a proposal will be added for a new tech position.

Beth also cautioned that – we have to spend or encumber – what’s left goes back to the Town.

New Business:

Financial Transfers

It was proposed by Beth Singer that we remove \$45,000 from the Nauset Tuition line and that we remove \$25,000 from the Instructional Software line. Also proposed was that we prepay Technology Leases (leases & switches) for \$70,000. Remove \$40,000 from the heat budget and \$6,000 from the electricity budget and pay \$46,000 for the playground equipment. The equipment doesn’t have to go out to bid because it’s on the state’s list and we can purchase and have it delivered when we are ready for it.

Motion: Move that we transfer \$116,000 as requested.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Cass Benson

The above motion was made for the purpose of discussion.

Cass said, “It’s a wonderful thing.”

Beth said that the switches are very essential to the technology.

Lory said that she's against it and last year we went through the same thing. She thinks it would be a benefit for our image to return some money to the Town. It would go a long way if we returned some money to the town. She's in favor of some of the proposed expenditures but she's sure that we can find more money for the other things, i.e., we need roof work and that money has got to come from somewhere. Leases are covered and Lory would like to come back to this.

Kerry asked - if we return money to the Town – are we going to have to ask for \$s again?

Lory – quoting Tom Coen said that when we talked about the CIP – it was his suggestion to move the play ground back another year. Now we have the money and she'd like to see what the switches cost exactly - and the leases should be left as is. She strongly feels that money should go back to the Town.

Kerry said that he would be happy to withdraw his motion.

There is a new position that is not in the budget. Our technology teacher was bumped. Our needs are in the area of technology and Beth's proposing that we hire a person to be our MIS specialist, etc. This is because of the IB program. This person could work with students, teachers, etc. and could do our website and also our state reports and student records. Beth would recommend that if we go with this position, we create a job description.

Kerry's original motion will free up the money for next year.

Beth said that the reason that this was not on the agenda was that it's just emerged and this is our opportunity to make a change and get a person that works for us. This person could possibly help the town, too.

Lory said there are very few people who are certified and qualify for a position of that kind.

Cass said that the school has wound up with some super people.

Kerry pointedly asked if Beth had any specific people in mind?

Beth said that in the process of interviewing candidates for MIS, she became aware of a few people who would qualify.

Original Motion: Move that we transfer \$116,000 as requested.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Cass Benson

Kerry said that he'd qualify his motion by saying that any money needed should be spent.

This is a new position and Beth has shared this concept with Beau Jackett and Sharon Lynn.

Shannon asked - if we can't fill the position – what happens to the money?

Reply – it won't be spent.

Lory – I'm in favor of the playground equipment, but not prepaying the leases!

Motion: See above motion for amended original motion.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Cass Benson

Vote: 4 in favor – 1 opposed (LS) – 0 abstained.

Motion: Move to create a position for the new technology position.

Motion: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Seconded: Cass Benson

Vote: 4 in favor – 1 opposed (LS) – 0 abstained.

Amended Motion: Move to create a position for the new technology position with a salary range of \$35K-\$45K.

Motion: Jamie Kryszkiewicz Seconded: Cass Benson

Vote: 4 in favor – 1 opposed (LS) – 0 abstained.

Educator Evaluation Negotiations

We have to have a system in place – by Sept 2013th and have to negotiate that process with the PAE. Race to the Top school districts are already doing this and Beth think it's a good idea for us to start this process – sooner rather than later because many districts have run into lengthy negotiations.

We should have PSC members help with negotiations. Kim Pike is the primary evaluator. Beth would love to start over the summer and most everyone moaned. Summer is – for most of the PSC – a very busy time and they just don't have the free time to do anything extra.

Lory said that it's a huge process.

The PAE may not be available in the summer. Cass would be happy to participate if the meetings were only an hour long. She'd like to see a schedule with a time limit on meetings.

Beth has already sent packets to the new Executive Board. The previous PAE president was trained but not the new one. Part of the evaluation now is self evaluation and goal setting; they have to be familiar with the rubric.

Beth said that she and Kim have had 5 grievances in the past few weeks most of which are related to evaluation and some may even get to the PSC. The atmosphere is not optimal so we look forward to a new beginning.

Jamie qualified the statement by saying that grievances are related to the old contract language.

Assessment and Language Policies

The minor changes in the policies were re-discussed with the following motion being made.

Motion: Move to accept the policies as amended.

Motion: Kerry Adams Seconded: Cass Benson Vote: 5-0-0

PSC Comments

Kerry reminded everyone of the annual Father's Day fishing derby at 11 a.m. on the pier.

Cass said that an amazing graduation was held last week.

Shannon said that all you ever hear is: "the school is closing."

Kim said that the jump rope expert was here today.

Jamie spoke about the Pirates of Penzance girl – as a fly.

**NEXT MEETING
JULY 10TH
5:00 P.M.**

Shannon said that the 5th & 6th graders used to do a trip to Boston.

Kim said there was really no opportunity to plan it. It came up again on one of the last weeks of school so we'll put it on the calendar for another year.

There are more things going on with the IB units. Ultimately our goal – per Beth – is to visit another country.

There will be a pocket math day; teachers will be assembling summer packets for students and if they come back with a completed workbook – we'll have something special for a reward. We hope this really encourages them.

Adjournment happened at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by the School Committee on July 10, 2012

Shannon Patrick, Chair