

PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of January 13, 2004 Meeting held at Annex Building

Present: Terese Nelson (Chair), Peter Grosso (Vice-Chair), Molly Perdue and Debra Trovato.

Members Absent: Frank Wills (Secretary); excused absence.

Others Present: Dr. Colette Traylor (Superintendent), Edward Boxer (PHS Principal), Anthony Teso (VMES Principal) and Sheila Colburn (Recording Secretary).

PUBLIC HEARING School Budget FY-05

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 5:39. A role call was done.

Dr. Traylor gave an overview and explanation of the FY 05 School Budget.

Peter Grosso made a motion to accept the FY 05 School Budget as presented; seconded by Debra Trovato; so voted 4-0.

REGULAR MEETING

The Chair began the regular meeting at 5:57.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 4.1 Betty White and Larry Brownell informed the Committee on the present status of the **VMES boilers**. The insurance will not cover the boilers because of improper installation. One of the boilers is dead and the two that are running do not work properly. Wilkinson has informed Mrs. White that we do not need three boilers; two would work fine. Wilkinson feels that VMES needs two new boilers. There was discussion on replacing one now and to replace the second one in June with funds from this year's budget before there is an emergency situation. Molly Perdue made the motion to approve the VMES boiler replacement through Wilkinson subject to modification of the amount as a result of the refinement of the cost of installing the pad; seconded by Peter Grosso; so voted 4-0.
- 4.2 There was a second reading of **PSC Policy: JIA Computer Acceptable Use Policy**. Debra Trovato made a motion to approve PSC Policy: JIA Computer Acceptable Use Policy as written; seconded by Peter Grosso; so voted 4-0.
- 4.3 Lisa Colley gave the Committee an update on the **PHS Gym Dedication**. An ad has been placed in the Banner asking for volunteers for the committee by January 16. Three community members have volunteered thus far. A meeting will be scheduled after the deadline for volunteers. Peter Grosso would like Mrs. Colley to let the Committee know the process used to choose the names for dedication.
- 4.4 There was a lengthy discussion of items on the list of **Additional School Project Needs** and whether or not it could be included for sixty per cent state reimbursement. Debra Trovato made the motion to put the Addition School Project Needs request in to town hall as a Capital Improvement Article only for \$495,000; seconded by Molly Perdue; so voted 4-0.

MINUTES:

Peter Grosso made the motion to accept the minutes of December 8, 2003 and December 9, 2003 as printed; seconded by Debra Trovato; so voted 4-0.

EDUCATIONAL UPDATE:

- Dr. Traylor and Larry Brownell informed the Committee of **School Building** issues at PHS that are being dealt with or yet to be dealt with. Items discussed were as follows: cable lines that were cut during renovations; girls locker room shower mixing valves need to be replaced; kitchen floor needs to be replaced; ongoing grease trap problem in the kitchen; the walk-in/freezer has been replaced; tennis court renovations will begin in early spring; heating and ventilation problems ongoing and the hood in the Chemistry Lab has not been hooked up.
- **The Finance Committee** went on a tour of the buildings today. Members talked to teachers and principals. Dr. Traylor felt it was very productive and informative for the members. There was discussion on how the District

will begin to market the schools.

- An update was given on the **Celebration of Schools** scheduled for January 21, 2004.
- **Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank** awarded Jessica Waugh an Educational Mini Grant. Ms. Waugh acknowledged John Hanlon, Fran Manion, Genevieve Martin and Margaret Phillips on the work to receive this grant. John Hanlon informed the Committee that there will be a Roots and Shoots Summit on the Cape in May; two days of which will take place in Provincetown. He also informed the Committee that he will be raising money to ship some of the district's used school books to Brazil.
- Jessica Waugh gave the Committee an overview for the **Professional Development Day** scheduled for January 20, 2004.
- Jessica Waugh also informed the Committee of a **Content Grant** being worked on through the Cape Cod Collaborative.
- There was a lengthy discussion on the **preparation for budget presentation**.

CLOSING STATEMENTS:

Dr. Traylor informed the Committee that Betty White, Terese Nelson and she were asked to be on a panel with Burt Wolfman, Bill Dougal and Steven Roderick to discuss school finances.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

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
