

May 24, 2017

A meeting of the Wareham School Committee was held on May 24, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Wareham Middle School Auditorium. Members present were Judy Caporiccio, Joyce Bacchiocchi, Geoff Swett, Laurie Spear, Mary Morgan and student representative Jamie Read as well as Superintendent Dr. Shaver-Hood and recording secretary, Michelle Ruiz.

Chair Caporiccio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She announced that the meeting was being taped for live broadcast by WCTV and an audio recording by Mrs. Ruiz.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Angela Dunham, Wareham Historical Society reported that for the past three years the Historical Society has donated over 200 books to 3rd graders from the grant, Wareham Celebration Committee. Two local artists have drawn various people and places in Wareham to share its rich culture and history. She gave each member a book. During the field trip the children go through four of the buildings. There is also a program story hour through the Wareham Library and students in our CARE program will be able to benefit from this program.

GOOD NEWS

Jamie Read updated what has been happening in the Random Acts of Kindness Club. They had a couple of meetings and are organizing a project of goodie bags for incoming freshman.

Mrs. Bacchiocchi shared that she attended the DECA Auction, which was very successful and raised more than \$4,000 for the program.

Mr. Swett shared that he attended the High School Play, which was a remarkable event.

Minutes of the Meeting

Mr. Swett moved to approve the minutes of May 10, 2017, seconded by Mrs. Morgan.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Student Advisory Committee

Students Lizzie Ruiz and Abby Glidden, shared that the printer to the chrome books was hooked up and student/staff can print from anywhere in the school; working on an update on summer reading projects. A proposal was presented to the Department Heads and they are working on the details of going with a student choice approved by the teacher and from a list with AP required books.

There was a brief discussion on the dropout rate and at-risk students, and missing the human element, the teacher, to get students excited about reading.

Both students shared their plans for the summer.

Financial Reports

Mr. MacMillan reviewed

- Monthly Expenditure – He has asked the administrators to restrict expenditures for the remainder of the year.
- Transfer of Funds - \$17,997 HS Salaries to HS Sub Teachers & \$35,000 from Heating Decas to Legal Services SC for district

There was discussion who can contact legal counsel, the Chair, the Superintendent and SpEd Director & Principals with the Superintendent's prior approval.

Mr. Swett suggested a separate line item in the student services budget for legal counsel to better monitor these expenses.

There will be a future agenda item for a vote to make a separate account for student services legal.

Mr. Swett moved to transfer the funds as indicated on the document, seconded by Mrs. Morgan.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Vote to Ratify Wareham Education Association's Contract

Dr. Shaver-Hood recommended approval of the Memorandum of Agreement with the WEA Unit A. It is a three-year contract from September 1, 2017 - August 31, 2020. Some changes include unused personal days to sick days; added one additional work day making 4 professional days and we will need to adjust the school calendar; salary 3%; 3% and 3% also modification in salary schedule. She stated that she appreciated the work of the educators and school committee.

Mr. Swett moved to ratify the WEA contract, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

Mr. Swett echoed the Superintendent's comments that both parties acted in good faith and it was a constructive process.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Designate Members to Sign Payroll Warrant

Dr. Shaver-Hood stated that the Committee previously voted specific names to sign the payroll warrant. She recommended designating the Chair or Vice-Chair to be able to sign payroll warrant.

Mrs. Morgan moved the recommendation of Superintendent, seconded by Mrs. Spear.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Superintendent's Report

- Approval of Bills and Payroll Warrants

5/13/17 \$152,340.37 payroll

5/20/17 \$834,330.55 payroll

Mr. Swett moved approval of the payroll warrants, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

5/25/17 \$152,528.74 bill warrant

Mr. Swett moved to approve the bill warrant, seconded by Mrs. Morgan.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Dr. Shaver-Hood shared invitations to the Cooperative Graduation May 31st, the Athletic Awards May 31st and the Underclassmen Awards, June 1st.

School Committee Reports

- Recommendations from Policy Review Committee were reviewed by Chair Caporiccio as follows:

Distribution of Condoms - no changes

Mr. Swett moved approval of the Distribution of Condoms policy as written, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Retention - changed Teacher Assistance Council to Student Support Counsel with other amendments as presented.

After discussion Mr. Swett moved to approve the Retention Policy as amended, seconded by Mrs. Morgan.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Concussion Grades K-12 - brought back for review and changed diagnosis to be by athletic trainer or physician and determination by physician and changed to gender neutral.

Mr. Swett moved to approve the Concussion Grades K-12 policy as amended, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Distribution of School Committee Meeting Documents - reflects how documents currently are being distributed.

Mr. Swett moved to approve the Distribution of School Committee Meeting Documents policy as amended, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Public Participation at School Committee Meetings - public participation and public comments are two different things and this change is in line with what the Board of Selectmen are doing. Also changed to gender neutral.

Mr. Swett moved to approve the Public Participation at School Committee Meetings policy for discussion, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

The policy review committee had discussion on when public comments would be placed on the agenda and decided to keep public comments at the beginning of the meeting.

Dr. Shaver-Hood informed the Committee that she is starting a social media campaign site for questions and provide the public with facts. This site is not just for School Committee meetings but also for all matters in the schools and district.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Senior Privileges - keep the original policy for the principal to ask on a yearly basis and gender neutral.

Mrs. Morgan moved to approve the Senior Privileges policy as amended, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Funding Proposals and Applications - insertion of "or other funds" and insert "awarded to the district".

Mr. Swett moved to approve the Funding Proposals and Applications policy as amended, seconded by Mrs. Spear.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Student Exchange - changed 2nd paragraph - housing location and have an F-1 student visa

There was discussion on our right to terminate a student if a problem or tuition is not paid

Mr. Swett moved to table this policy to the first meeting in October, seconded by Mrs. Morgan.

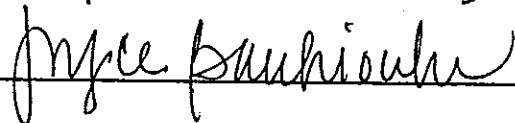
VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

Any other business - None

Mr. Swett moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Bacchiocchi.

VOTE: yea – 5; nay – 0; abstain – 0

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  _____

List of documents:

Correspondence: Newsletter, Personnel List, Vacancy Notices

Minutes of May 10, 2017

WPS Monthly Expenditure Report – April 2017

WPS Transfer Requests 5/18/17

Distribution of Condoms

Retention

Concussion Grades K-12

Distribution of School Committee Meeting Documents

Public Participation at School Committee Meetings

Senior Privileges

Funding Proposals and Applications

Student Exchange Program

1. The first step in the process of the American manufacturing industry is the design of the product.

2. The second step is the selection of the materials and the design of the components.

3. The third step is the production of the components.

4. The fourth step is the assembly of the components.

5. The fifth step is the testing of the product.

6. The sixth step is the distribution of the product.

7. The seventh step is the maintenance of the product.

8. The eighth step is the recycling of the product.

9. The ninth step is the disposal of the product.

10. The tenth step is the evaluation of the product.

11. The eleventh step is the improvement of the product.

12. The twelfth step is the innovation of the product.

13. The thirteenth step is the marketing of the product.

14. The fourteenth step is the sales of the product.

15. The fifteenth step is the service of the product.