

July 6, 2016

A meeting of the Wareham School Committee was held on Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Wareham Middle School Auditorium. Members present were Mel Lazarus, Geoff Swett, Judy Caporiccio, Mary Morgan, Cliff Sylvia and student representative, Jamie Read as well as Superintendent Shaver-Hood and recording secretary, Mrs. Ruiz.

Chair Lazarus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He announced that the meeting was being taped for audio and video by WCTV and was being recorded for audio by Mrs. Ruiz.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Brian Fitzgerald, teacher and president of the teachers' union spoke in favor of increasing substitute pay rates and hoped the committee would consider an increase in substitute pay for teachers and paraprofessionals.

GOOD NEWS

PTA Recognition - Dr. Shaver-Hood invited members of the High School/Middle School PTA to share the PTA accomplishments and plans for the upcoming school year. In August or September the Elementary PTA will come to a meeting to share.

Members Trisha Brogioli, Jamie Wiksten, and Heather Hogan gave a recap of their fundraising efforts. \$18,798 was raised and enrichment grants were given out during the school year. The PTA will continue with the same type of fundraising this year with social gatherings and parents coming together. The PTA has a website and Facebook page to share information.

Chair Lazarus commended the PTA on their efforts for financial benefit and morale and excitement it brings to the school.

Minutes of the Meeting

Mr. Swett moved approval of the minutes of June 22, 2016, seconded by Dr. Sylvia.

VOTE: yea - 4; nay - 0; abstain - 1 (Ms. Caporiccio)

Food Service Report - Mr. Shaheen reported the following:

- CEP Status Report - Confirmation was received by the Department of Education that Wareham will continue in the Community Eligibility Program to include all schools for all grades for four years with reporting done each year.
- Request to Increase Lunch Prices - If students wish to purchase an additional meal they must pay for it and staff pay for lunch. In order to meet federal guidelines we can charge no less than \$2.80 for student lunch. He recommended increasing the price from \$2.70 to \$2.80 for lunch; keeping the price for breakfast at \$1.50; and keeping adult meal prices based on a la carte items for breakfast and lunch starting at \$3.75.

There was a brief discussion on actively soliciting feedback on satisfaction of meals.

Ms. Caporiccio moved to increase the student lunch price to \$2.80, seconded by Dr. Sylvia.

VOTE: yea - 5; nay - 0; abstain - 0

Plans for Concession Stand at Spillane Field

Members of the Wareham Athletic Boosters Club were present. Member Joyce Bacchiocchi stated that the Boosters applied for funding through the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to rebuild the concession stand by replacing both the stand and ticket booth into one building. The Wareham Athletic Association (WAA) recently turned over the concession stand to the Booster Club. She hopes CPC will have this application on the town meeting warrant in the fall. The Boosters Club is seeking support of the School Committee and may ask for something in writing showing its support.

The Committee discussed supporting the efforts of the Boosters Club, the WAA retaining the shed, and the CPC application for this project under recreation as a new building.

Mr. Swett moved to support the efforts of the Wareham Athletic Boosters Club to build a new concession stand and ticket booth, seconded by Dr. Sylvia.

VOTE: yea - 5; nay - 0; abstain - 0

Request to Increase Substitute Pay Rates

Mr. MacMillan presented the current substitute rates and recommended increases in some rates for FY17 as follows:

Custodians to \$10.47 per hour

Secretaries to \$11.00 per hour

Food Service Workers to \$10.00 per hour

All other rates will remain the same. The estimated cost of this recommended increase in pay is \$7,000 to \$10,000 per year for all three groups.

It was stated that these positions are hourly positions with no benefits.

Ms. Caporiccio asked if administration could look into what the WEA President spoke about earlier this evening that SpEd Teachers are used to cover classes. She was concerned with possible non-compliance of a student's IEP.

Dr. Sylvia moved to accept the recommendation of administration to increase custodian substitute pay to \$10.47 per hour, secretary substitute pay to \$11.00 per hour and food service workers substitute pay to \$10.00 per hour, seconded by Mrs. Morgan.

There was a brief discussion on underpaying our substitute teachers.

Dr. Shaver-Hood agreed and stated that administration is looking at the cost to increase substitute pay for teachers, paras and permanent intermittent subs. She would like a discussion with the Superintendent's Budget Advisory Committee in the near future.

VOTE: yea - 5; nay - 0; abstain - 0

Approval of Obsolete Equipment List

Mr. MacMillan presented a list of inoperable or obsolete equipment inventory for approval by the Committee. This list will be placed on our website for resale and notice in the local newspaper. Items not sold will be disposed of.

Mr. Swett moved to approve the list of items as obsolete equipment, seconded by Ms. Caporiccio.

VOTE: yea - 5; nay - 0; abstain - 0

Superintendent's Report

Best Buddies program fundraiser this Saturday at Salerno's with comedian Christine Hurley
Summer School began on Tuesday at the High School, Middle, and Elementary, also CARE Program and Extended Day with 233 students being fed breakfast and lunch.
There will be a full agenda at our August meeting.

School Committee Reports

None

Any other business

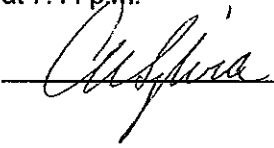
Dr. Sylvia asked for a joint effort with administration and the WEA to discuss substitute pay.

Mr. Swett also asked the discussions to include addressing our use of subs and the classification in reporting our numbers to DESE.

Dr. Sylvia moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Swett.

VOTE: yea - 5; nay - 0; abstain - 0

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  _____

List of documents:

Correspondence: Notice of Vacancy, Personnel List, Superintendent's Newsletter
District Food Service Update July 2016
Wareham Athletic Association RE: W.A.A. Concession Stand
Notification of Rate of Pay for Substitutes
WPS Obsolete Equipment Inventory

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