Wareham School Committee February 15, 2024

There was a meeting of the Wareham School Committee Meeting at The Multiservice Center on February 15, 2024. The meeting was recorded by WCTV and broadcast live, and audio recorded by Jamie Wiksten.

Attendance: Brennan McKiernan, Joyce Bacchiocchi, Apryl Rossi, and Geoff Swett (Acting Chair), Dr. D'Andrea, and Jamie Wiksten, recording secretary.

Attending by telephone: Kevin Brogioli

Absent: Andrea Schwamb

No Public Participation

Good News:

Mrs. Bacchiocchi announced that she did her homework that she received from Dr. Chandler at the last meeting.

Student Representation Report:

Key Club started the annual dress collection for students in need. Scholarships are available for seniors and 19 students were accepted on the spot with UMASS Dartmouth.

Mr. Swett added some information regarding sports to the report.

Director of Finance:

January Financial Report:

Ms. Flynn feels we have leveled off with transfers for OOD, and there have been some changes to the enrollment in OOD. Maintenance accounts are under control. Ms. Flynn stated that the payroll bookkeeper continues to project all of the salaries for possible transfers.

Grants:

Ms. Fynn shared a list of grants including Beyond School Time (fully grant funded program), Circuit Breaker is treated like a state grant in our financial system, and other grants include Title I, II, IV, Emergency Management Planning, Genocide Education, Targeted Assistance, Mental Health, Perkins, etc.

Ms. Flynn outlined each grant and shared the increase and decrease in funds Wareham has received under these grants.

Ms. Bacchiocchi asked about a Career Pathways Grant. Dr. D'Andrea responded that there are phases to the grant, and Wareham has not started to receive the funds.

Mr. Swett shared his concerns for the amount that grants support the LEA budget is a scary number, and feels better informed from the work that Kristin does.

Superintendent Report:

The Superintendent asked for payroll and will

Ms. Rossi made a motion to accept the bill and payroll warranted, seconded by Brennan McKiernan.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea -5, Nay -0 Abstain -0

VOTE: 5-0-0

Report of the School Committee:

Policy Review Committee:

Ms. Rossi presented the following policies for vote:

District and School Family Engagement – no changes

Mr. McKiernan made a motion to accept the policy with no changes, seconded by Ms. Bacchiocchi.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi - yea, Brennan McKiernan - yea, Apryl Rossi - yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea - 5, Nay - 0 Abstain - 0

VOTE: 5-0-0

Request for Hearing with the School Committee

Mr. McKiernan made a motion to accept the policy with suggested changes, seconded by Ms. Bacchiocchi.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea - 5, Nay - 0 Abstain - 0

Advanced Studies Program

In addition to the suggested change, Ms. Bacchiocchi recommended to add: "students enrolled at Wareham Public Schools."

Mr. McKiernan made a motion to accept the policy as amended, seconded by Ms. Bacchiocchi.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea - 5, Nay - 0 Abstain - 0

Crisis Response

Recommended change

Mr. Swett made a motion to accept the policy as amended, seconded by Mr. McKiernan.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea -5, Nay -0 Abstain -0

Animals in the Classroom

Ms. Rossi made a motion to accept the policy with no changes, seconded by Mr. McKiernan.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea -5, Nay -0 Abstain -0

VOTE: 5-0-0

Service Animals

Mr. McKiernan made a motion to accept the policy with no changes, seconded by Ms. Bacchiocchi

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea -5, Nay -0 Abstain -0

Policy on Public Records

Ms. Rossi shared the recommended changes by the Policy Review Sub Committee

Mr. McKiernan made a motion to accept the policy with suggested changes, seconded by Ms. Bacchiocchi

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea - 5, Nay - 0 Abstain - 0

Seeing no other business, Ms. Rossi made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. McKiernan.

Roll Call Vote: Geoff Swett - yea, Joyce Bacchiocchi – yea, Brennan McKiernan – yea, Apryl Rossi – yea, Kevin Brogioli - yea

Yea - 5, Nay - 0 Abstain - 0

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Agenda

Superintendent's Newsletter

FY 24 Grants

Grant Summary Overview

Policies for review from the sub committee