

Medway School Committee
Minutes
Medway, MA
October 4, 2018

The School Committee of the Medway Public Schools held a meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the presentation room at Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway, MA. School Committee members in attendance included Chairperson, Ms. Borgatti, Ms. Dietrich, Ms. Sullivan and Ms. Nassiff. Mr. Segarra was not present. Also in attendance were Superintendent Armand Pires and Assistant Superintendent Gabrielle Abrams. The meeting was video-taped.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Borgatti called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., noting that all the members were present, with the exception of Mr. Segarra.

B. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Warrants were signed by committee members.

C. REPORT OF STUDENTS – Olivia Fink and Kaitlyn Calnan reported on school activities including the McGovern Elementary School annual walk to school day. This event promotes physical activity. The Middle and High Schools recently had picture day and the high school inducted 8 musicians into the Tri M Honor Society.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

E. ACTION ITEMS

- a. For Consideration: Approval of School Committee Policy #89 Anti Harassment Anti Discrimination.** As there were changes with Office of Civil Rights (OCR) recently, this policy now has been revised to comply as presented at the September 20, 2018 meeting.

It was moved by Ms. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sullivan that the school committee vote to approve Policy #89, Anti Harassment, Anti Discrimination as presented at the September 20, 2018 meeting and as recommended by the Superintendent. All voted in favor.

- b. For Consideration: Vote to accept the Medway Foundation for Education 2018-2019 Grants in the amount of \$10,621.93, as**

recommended by the superintendent.

Grant Description	School	Amount
Huddle Up	Memorial School	\$1,600.00
Lively Libraries	McGovern	\$4,000.00
21 Century Classroom	High School	\$5,021.93

\$10,621.93

It was moved by Ms. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sullivan that the school committee approve the 2018-2019 Medway Foundation for Education grants in the amount of \$10,621.93, as recommended by the Superintendent. All voted in favor.

- c. For Consideration: Approval of School Committee Policy #100 Fiscal Policy.** This policy was reviewed at the September 20, 2018 meeting. It now comes to the school committee for approval.

It was moved by Ms. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sullivan that the school committee approve Policy #100, Fiscal Policy as recommended by the Budget Subcommittee. All voted in favor.

- d. For Consideration: Preliminary Approval of the Boys Hockey Team Overnight Trip to Maine.** High School Coaches, have submitted a trip proposal for the Boys Hockey team to participate in a Hockey Tournament in Auburn, Maine, during the winter break.

It was moved by Ms. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sullivan that the school committee grant preliminary approval to the Boys Hockey team's overnight trip for the purpose of a Hockey Tournament in Auburn, Maine, during the winter break, as recommended by the superintendent. All voted in favor.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. First Reading: Set School Choice Capacity
Dr. Pires gave a brief overview of the School Choice program and will be recommending to the committee to not increase capacity for the

- program.
- b. Student Scholarship Funds
Don Aicardi and Donna Chisholm answered questions about the scholarship program.
 - c. Fundraising Policy #41
Ms. Sullivan outlined changes proposed to the Fundraising Policy and Ms. Borgatti stated that it is a work in progress. The Policy Subcommittee will meet and refine the changes.
 - d. Donations/Gifts Policy #97
There were no additional changes made to this policy and will be reviewed at the next policy subcommittee meeting.
 - e. Other- *This time is being reserved for topics that the chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed.*

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Public Comments - None
- b. Liaison Reports -None

H. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

- a. Chairperson Update
Ms. Borgatti's update included the School Committee has contracted with MASC to review all policies.
- b. Superintendent Update
Dr. Pires' update included the recent induction of 8 musicians into the Tri M Honor Society, the McGovern School held a walk to school event and the playground committee is working on funding for the renovations of the McGovern and the Memorial school playgrounds. The cost is estimated at \$540,000.
- c. Assistant Superintendent Update
Ms. Abrams' update included the Special Education Professional Learning Workshops where educators engaged in professional learning all day, took place last Thursday, this was the first of 5 workshops. The Ideas program began it's third cohort on Saturday, this brings the overall number of employees who have taken the training to 32.
- d. Committee Members' Update
Ms. Dietrich reported on the recent School Committee office hours held on Monday. She stated it was a great opportunity to sit and talk with community members.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting, September 20, 2018
It was moved by Ms. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 20, 2018. All voted in favor.

J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Report on Summer Programs: Extended School Year (EYS) and Community Education
- Set School Choice Enrollment Capacity Vote, Round 2
- SAT/AP Testing Presentation
- Approval of Superintendent Contract
- FY-19 Budget Realignment Meeting with Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee
- Superintendent's Goals 2018-2019
- Superintendent's Award of Academic Excellence
- NESDEC Student Award of Excellence
- MCAS Presentation

K. NEXT MEETINGS

- **Memorial Plaque Ceremony, Thursday, October 18, 2018, 5:30 p.m.**
Burke-Memorial Cafeteria, 16 Cassidy Lane, Medway
- **Regular Meeting, Thursday, October 18, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- **Regular Meeting, Thursday, November 1, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- **Regular Meeting, Thursday, November 15, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- **Fall Town Meeting, Monday, November 19, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**, Medway High School, 88 Summer Street, Medway
- **Regular Meeting, Thursday, December 6, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- **Regular Meeting, Thursday, December 13, 2018, 7:00 p.m., (tentative if needed)** in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway

L. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

There is a need for the school committee to adjourn to executive session in accordance with M.G.L., Chapter 30A, Section 21, exemption 2 to contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, specifically the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent.

It was moved by Ms. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sullivan that the school committee adjourn to executive session, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, exemption 2 to contract negotiations

with nonunion personnel, specifically the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent, with the understanding that the school committee will not return to public session.

A roll call vote was taken, voting in favor Ms. Nassiff, Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Dietrich and the Chair Ms. Borgatti.

At approximately 8:02 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Quinn

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Secretary to the School Committee

Approved: October 18, 2018