

HOLLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Minutes of 9/13/12

Present: Eli Gillen, Chairman; Steven Anderstrom, Vice Chairman; Larry Mandell, Secretary; Erik Iller, Molly Cummings

Also Present: Erin Nosek, Superintendent; Deb Boyd, Associate Superintendent of Business and Finance; Jeffrey Zanghi, Assistant Superintendent; Jennifer Dold, Principal; Charlotte Lundgren, Recording Secretary

Audience Present: Meghan Thompson

MINUTES

MOTION 12-39 by Steven Anderstrom, second by Erik Iller to approve the minutes of 6/21/12. Motion approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Boyd reported that all monies from FY12 were spent. She also reported that we are starting the year off fresh. There were no changes during the summer and the budget is in good shape.

The FY14 budget planning packets were handed out to the principals today.

MOTION 12-40 by Eli Gillen, second by Erik Iller to accept the financial report until audited. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

There was a letter of thanks to the Hampden County Sherriff for allowing a paint work crew to come out this summer to paint several rooms of the building.

Second communication was a memo regarding Project O. Mrs. Dold explained that Project O would be too expensive for a one day field trip for the sixth graders. The cost would be \$3,975 for a one day field trip. There was discussion of what could be done instead.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Dold reported that we have the same amount of School Choice children as last year. The opening of school went very well and she also reported to the Committee how well the Bournedale trip went this year. She spent Monday and Tuesday at Camp Bournedale with the children.

Mrs. Dold asked the Committee to declare some items obsolete so they could be recycled.

MOTION 12-41 by Eli Gillen, second by Erik Iller to declare the following items obsolete and have them recycled: 1 Canon copy machine and 5 overhead projectors. Motion approved unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Nosek passed out new MA General Law books to all Committee members. She reported that opening of school went very well this year. There were 2 full professional development days at the start of school before the children came. This worked out very well and was well received by both the parents and the teachers.

Dr. Nosek also shared a letter with the Committee from the Commissioner of ESE that discusses the sequestration of the federal funding.

Dr. Nosek also reported that there will be policy updates in the near future.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Gillen asked Mrs. Boyd to look into how much it would cost for Holland to own its own busses. She will put together some figures for the next meeting.

The question was asked if this year was the last year of both the ESP and Teacher contracts. Dr. Nosek said that it was and a subcommittee would be set up at the next meeting for teacher and ESP negotiations.

MOTION 12-42 by Eli Gillen, second by Erik Iller to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Mandell
Secretary