

# **BURGESS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Meeting of Thursday, September 6, 2018

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Scott Parker, Mary Bellezza, Megan Panek, Kate Alexander

**ABSENT:** Kristen Tuohey

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dr. Erin Nosek, Superintendent; Deborah Boyd, Associate Superintendent; Kathleen Pelley, Principal; Karen Miarecki, Recording Secretary; teachers and members of the community.

## **The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance**

Kathleen Pelley introduced the building representatives to the building and staff members. The School Committee introduced themselves as well.

## **MINUTES**

### **Motion 19-01**

Mrs. Alexander moved, seconded by Mrs. Bellezza to approve the Minutes of June 4, 2018 Regular Session

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

- Teaching Supplies – Year end balances allowed for pre-purchasing of FY19 supplies and copy paper
- Technology Hardware – Previously approved to use excess funds in out-of-district tuitions to purchase wireless devices.
- Spec Ed Transportation – Includes a significant increase in homeless transportation costs

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

- MASC Bulletin – Relates to Conference in the fall
- Provided MGL Books to the School Committee Members

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** - Kathleen Pelley reviewed a few highlights from the Principal's Report (the full report can be viewed upon request).

- Enrollment Data: As of Aug 2018 - 900
- Reviewed Retirements, Resignations, New Staff and New Assignments
- Recognitions provided
- Orientation and Open House – Provided details of schedule
- Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment – Updates provided
- Technology – Two hundred fifty new mobile devices have been deployed to the classrooms
- Professional Development – September 17<sup>th</sup> will be an early release day for professional development; primary focus will be the new science programs
- School Improvement Council – Held September 4<sup>th</sup>
- Ecology School – Sixth Grade students and staff will be traveling to Maine from Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> to attend the Ecology School

**Upcoming events can be found on the Burgess Elementary School website**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Dr. Nosek reviewed the report:

- Visit from Fire department – Compiling with all regulations with paper
- Professional Development on September 17, 2018 – New science programs
- Great opening day
- Superintendent Goals discussed, including Ferry Beach discussion

### **Motion 19-02**

Mrs. Alexander moved and Mr. Parker seconded to approve Superintendent's Goals. One of these goals includes reviewing the current Grade 6 overnight field trip.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

**PUBLIC ACCESS I**

None

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

**TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Sturbridge Sign Program – Phase 2 – Tabled to next month

**PUBLIC ACCESS II**

- 5K to be held on September 23<sup>rd</sup>; great support within the community – annual fundraiser activities and family based

**Motion 19-03**

At 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Alexander moved, seconded by Mr. Parker to adjourn the meeting

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Parker  
Secretary

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