

BURGESS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Thursday, October 4, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT Kristen Tuohey, Scott Parker, Mary Bellezza, Kate Alexander, Megan Panek

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

Megan Panek opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m., with the 6th Grade Student Showcase starting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Student Showcase:

Sixth Grade Ferry Beach - The students presented their overall experience with Google slides on the ecology school. Students really enjoyed the beach, dining hall with family style food, tide pool, and lessons learned. Wonderful presentations provided.

MINUTES

Motion 19-04

Mrs. Alexander moved, seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the Minutes of September 6, 2018 Regular Session

Discussion: Add under Superintendent's Report: "Superintendents Goals discussed, including Ferry Beach discussion."

VOTE: Mrs. Alexander – Yes, Mrs. Tuohey – Abstained, Mr. Parker – Yes, Mrs. Panek – Yes

FINANCIAL REPORT

• Title I grant funds have not been allocated yet. Salary shortfalls will clear out once applied.

Motion 19-05

Mrs. Bellezza moved, seconded by Mr. Parker to accept the Town of Sturbridge Energy Reduction Plan as presented in the packet.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Motion 19-06

Mrs. Bellezza moved, seconded by Mr. Parker to accept the Fuel-Efficient Vehicle Plan as presented in the packet.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

COMMUNICATIONS

- MASC Bulletin - FYI provided in packet
- exSEL - Excellence Through Social Emotional Learning - FYI provided in packet
- College Acceptances List - FYI provided in packet

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 Sept 2018 - 897
- Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment - Updates provided
- Professional Development - October 5th. Offerings will include Google Educator Level 1 training, Applied Non-Violence recertification, Union 61 grease-alike National Geographic Workshops and Collins writing Trainings.

Grade Level and Department Updates

- Updates were provided for Kindergarten through Grade 6, Physical Education, Literacy, Computer, Library, Health Office, Facilities and Cafeteria (Detailed information is provided on the Principal's Report).

Upcoming events can be found on the Burgess Elementary School website

- School Council
- Ferry Beach Numbers - 115 attended and seven did not attend
- SIP Copy - Was provided in packet regarding Goals:

Goal 1 - To increase student Achievement (one of the goals would be to improve achievement in writing - topic of discussion regarding poor grammar at the meeting)

- Goal 2 - To maintain and enhance the districts' comprehensive program of student support services
- Goal 3 - To maintain and enhance the district's use of technology to support teaching, lead
- Goal 4 - To develop and maintain positive relations with members of the school and local communities

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Dr. Erin Nosek reviewed the report:

- TRSD/Union 61 Joint Meeting - October 16, 2018 - Central Office Budget, Calendar from next year, Superintendent Evaluation Goals
- Professional Development Day will be held tomorrow
- Present on possible School Resource Officer Program - Model to include all five towns

Union 61 Voting Members - Reminder on alternates/Reps:
Megan, Scott and Kristen are Representatives and Kate is the 1st alternate and Mary is the 2nd alternate.

Motion 19-07

Mrs. Alexander moved, seconded by Mrs. Bellezza to not accept the school sign that was discussed in the previous meeting.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Motion 19-08

Mr. Parker moved, seconded by Mrs. Bellezza to not appoint Dr. Erin Nosek as Voting Member to SWCEC

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

PUBLIC ACCESS I

None

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None

TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE

- State fire marshal came to school and provided an overview of items that need to be fixed; one item was the ceiling tiles - the painted ones will need to be replaced.
- School Resource Officer - Discussion
- Lifetime Achievement Award - MASC - Bill Haggerty

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Kate Alexander and Kristen Tuohey will be representing for the Negotiations Subcommittee

PUBLIC ACCESS II

Dr. Erin Nosek will look into who is responsible for videotaping the school Committee meetings

Motion 19-09

At 7:42 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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