

Wales School Committee
Meeting of: March 15, 2017

Present: Dr. Erin Nosek, Mrs. Deb Boyd, Mr. Richard Zinkus, Mr. Michael Cizik, Ms. Carolyn Boehne, Mrs. Cindy Lena, Mrs. Christine Randall, and Ms. Lindsay Valanzola

Absent: None

Audience Present: None

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IMMEDIATE ISSUES

None

MINUTES

Motion made by Lindsay Valanzola, seconded by Carolyn Boehne, to approve the Regular Session minutes of February 15, 2017.

MOTION APPROVED

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report reflects that the amount expended to date is \$924,761. This is 58% of the budget, which compares to 55% expended at approximately this same time last year.

COMMUNICATIONS

- OSV Charter School was approved by DESE

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- ❖ The calendar for the months of March and April was presented.
- ❖ Student population is 165 students.
- ❖ Community Reading Day festivities were held on Monday, March 6, 2017. Author Kate Hanscom, who has written numerous children's books, met with each class.
- ❖ Technology continues to be used on a regular basis at the school for everyday lessons. Students in Grade 3-6 are preparing for the upcoming MCAS assessment and are viewing sample questions along with practicing typing short answer responses.
- ❖ Grade 6 completed a Community Service Project and presented Paracord Bracelets for area police departments.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- April School Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 12, 2017
- Day on the Hill will be held on April 25, 2017
- Superintendent Nosek requested a vote to continue to accept School Choice students.

Motion made by Michael Cizik, seconded by Christine Randall, to accept School Choice students at the Wales Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year. Class sizes would be limited to twenty students in Kindergarten and twenty-two students in Grades 1-4.

MOTION APPROVED

- Water Update: recent tests have all been within acceptable limits.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

None

TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Budgets were presented and the regional committee voted to move their budget to public hearing.

PUBLIC ACCESS

None

OLD BUSINESS

*Policy GBEC: Drug-Free Workplace

*Policy JICH: Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drug Use by Students Prohibited

Motion made by Cindy Lena, seconded by Michael Cizik to adopt policies GBEC and JICH on second reading.

MOTION APPROVED

Dr. Nosek requested that the committee enter into Executive Session in accordance with MGL Ch. 30A, Section 21A(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the Chair so declares. The Committee will reconvene the meeting in open session.

Cindy Lena made a motion, seconded by Christine Randall, to enter into Executive Session in accordance with MGL Ch. 30A, Section 21A(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the Chair so declares. The Committee will reconvene the meeting in open session.

Mr. Michael Cizik	YES
Ms. Carolyn Boehne	YES
Mrs. Cindy Lena	YES
Mrs. Christine Randall	YES
Ms. Lindsay Valanzola	YES

MOTION APPROVED

The Committee reconvened in Open Session.

Motion made by Christine Randall, seconded by Cindy Lena, to approve the Wales ESP Contract for fiscal years 2018-2020.

MOTION APPROVED

A motion was made by Christine Randall, seconded by Cindy Lena, to recess the meeting at 6:29pm for the scheduled public hearing at 6:30pm.

The Public Hearing commenced at 6:30pm.

The regular meeting reconvened at 6:38 p.m.

Mrs. Boyd recommended that \$1,664,465 be submitted to Town Meeting as the FY'18 school budget.

Motion made by Christine Randall, seconded by Lindsay Valanzola, to submit \$1,664,465 as the school budget for FY'18.

MOTION APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

None

OPEN FORUM

None

At 6:40pm a motion to adjourn was made by Christine Randall, seconded by Michael Cizik.

MOTION APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,
Richard R. Zinkus
Principal

PUBLIC HEARING – FY'18 Budget
March 15, 2017 – 6:30pm

The Public Hearing on the FY'18 budget commenced at 6:30pm. In attendance were Dr. Erin Nosek, Mrs. Deb Boyd, Mr. Richard Zinkus, Mr. Michael Cizik, Ms. Carolyn Boehne, Mrs. Cindy Lena, Mrs. Christine Randall, and Ms. Lindsay Valanzola.

There were no attendees.

A motion was made by Michael Cizik, seconded by Cindy Lena, to end the Public Hearing and reconvene the meeting at 6:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Zinkus
Principal