

# *Wales School Committee*

Meeting of: February 13, 2013

**Present:** Mrs. Deb Boyd, Mr. Richard Zinkus, Mrs. Karen Blasco, Mr. Ed Boyce, Mrs. Christine Randall and Mrs. Lynne Serrenho.

**Absent:** Mrs. Susan Hubbell

**Audience Present:** None

Meeting was called to order at 6:03pm.

## **IMMEDIATE ISSUES:**

None

## **MINUTES:**

Amended minutes:

Discussed under New Business last month: Participation in NAESC.

This item will be discussed this month.

Motion made by Ed Boyce, seconded by Christine Randall, to approve the Regular Session minutes of January 16, 2013, as amended.

MOTION APPROVED

## **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The financial report reflects that the amount expended to date is \$859,622. This is 57% of the budget, which compares to 51% expended at approximately this same time last year.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Mid-cycle Progress Report – MA Dept. Elementary and Secondary Education
- SWCEC Annual Report 2011-2012
- Teachers 21 – Improving Instruction and Learning Through Supervision and Evaluation
- Massachusetts Model System for Educator Evaluation Part III
- Massachusetts Model System for Educator Evaluation Part IV

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

- ❖ The calendar for the months of February and March was presented.
- ❖ Student population is 146 students.
- ❖ The Winter Concert was held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 to an overflow crowd.
- ❖ The school experienced a water issue on Monday, January 28, 2013 shortly around noontime. The low water warning alarm sounded and Charlton Well was called. They arrived at the school within 45 minutes and discovered a frozen

pipe. Water was restored by 2:15pm. Hand sanitizers were used in the classrooms and bathrooms during the period without water.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

The meetings to discuss contractual language regarding the new teacher evaluation began this afternoon.

### **PUBLIC ACCESS:**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Due to the fact that assessment has changed so drastically over the last few years and schools are continually addressing strengths and weaknesses, participation in NEASC was discussed as a follow-up to last month's meeting. The cost of being a member is approximately \$20,000 over a ten-year period. There are 1,139 elementary schools in the state of Massachusetts. Of those schools, only 14 of them are accredited (**1.2%**).

Christine Randall made a motion, seconded by Ed Boyce, to discontinue membership in NEASC.

MOTION APPROVED

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mrs. Boyd requested a vote to hold the Public Hearing on the FY14 Proposed Budget on March 20, 2013 at 6:30pm. The budget amount to be sent to Public Hearing is \$1,553,370.

Motion made by Ed Boyce, seconded by Christine Randall, to hold the Public Hearing on March 20, 2013 at 6:30pm.

MOTION APPROVED

A motion was made by Christine Randall, seconded by Ed Boyce to adjourn the meeting at 6:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Zinkus  
Principal