

WEST BOYLSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Wednesday, April 11, 2018
Middle/High School Library-Media Center

Mr. Pedone called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

James Pedone, Jr.
James Morrissey
Jennifer Breen
Richard Shaw
Jason Ponticelli

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Elizabeth Schaper, Superintendent of Schools
Roger E. Pontbriand, Jr., Business Administrator
Sherri Traina, Director of Special Education
Christopher Fournier, Principal Middle/High School
Richard Meagher, Elementary Principal

ALSO PRESENT

Faculty, audience and press.

1. MINUTES – Regular Meeting

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Ms. Breen, to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2018 regular meeting.

VOTE: 5-0-0

2. MINUTES - FY19 Budget Hearing

Mr. Ponticelli moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2018 - FY19 Budget Hearing.

VOTE: 5-0-0

3. STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Students from the Elementary and Middle/High Schools were recognized as Student of the Month – Owen Cahn, Nicholas Hewson and Ryan Connor.

4. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Members of the Student Advisory Council, Leah Lewandowski and Kaitlin Elliott reported on:

- Sports updates
- NHS senior dinner
- Prom dress boutique
- Student Council - spring conference
- Walk for Hunger
- NAHS paint night and induction
- Interact Club dance and food for hunger event

- Tri-M Open Mic Night
- In It To End It
- FISH mental health awareness

5. HIGHLIGHT ON SCHOOLS – Major Edwards Elementary School PBIS

Mr. Meagher introduced Ms. Tracey Frohock who gave a presentation on Major Edwards Elementary School’s PBIS program.

6. COMMUNITY INPUT - None

7. WARRANTS

Ms. Breen moved, seconded by Mr. Shaw to accept the payables warrant dated:

- April 2, 2018
- April 16, 2018

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Morrissey moved, seconded by Mr. Ponticelli to accept the payroll warrants dated:

- March 23, 2018
- April 6, 2018

VOTE: 5-0-0

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Legislative - Mr. Shaw reported that the subcommittee discussed a bill to be submitted to the state regarding an act to allow school districts to collect a fee associated with nonresident pupil transportation, by Representative Hannah Kane of Shrewsbury.

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to have the superintendent write a letter of endorsement to our representative on this bill.

VOTE: 5-0-0

- Budget and Capital Planning - Mr. Pedone indicated the subcommittee met to discuss the budget following up on the presentation from last month

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Morrissey to approve the FY19 budget as presented with a town appropriation of \$12,045,166 and a total school budget of \$13,264,126.

VOTE: 5-0-0

9. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

- Major Edwards Elementary School Principal Richard Meagher reported on:

- Staff survey regarding lunch/recess schedules
- MCAS updates

- Middle/High School Principal Christopher Fournier reported on:

- Fourth quarter has begun
- Guidance - fall course scheduling
- MCAS testing updates
- Gr. 9 Washington, D.C. trip - May 1-4, 2018
- Spring fling dance
- Prom
- Alice in Wonderland play
- Sports updates

c. Business Administrator – Mr. Pontbriand reported on:

- Middle/High School weight room - old equipment disposal

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to declare equipment obsolete under policy DN - School Properties Disclosure Procedure.

VOTE: 5-0-0

- March monthly expenditure report

d. Superintendent of Schools – Dr. Schaper asked the School Committee to reaffirm Policy JJIF - Athletic Concussion Policy as required by Massachusetts General Law.

Mr. Morrissey moved, seconded by Ms. Breen to reaffirm Policy JJIF as required by Mass General Laws.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Dr. Schaper also reported -

- School committee members are invited to the Day on the Hill for the Mass. Association of School Committees, which will be held on April 25, 2018 in Boston.
- Budget and Capital Planning Subcommittee will be meeting with the Town FISP group (Facilities Implementation Strategic Planning) to discuss long term facility needs on May 8, 2018
- Budget Subcommittee met with the Town Finance Committee on April 3, 2018 to review the FY19 budget proposal
- No application for the CORE program of the MSBA will be able to be submitted until the town is ready to build or renovate facilities.

e. School Committee – No report.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Marie K. Johnson, Recording Secretary