

ACUSHNET SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF AUGUST 7, 2018



The Acushnet School Committee met in the John Tavares Library on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. Members present were Mr. Sumner, Mr. DeTerra, Mrs. Downing, Mrs. Tavares and Mrs. Gomes. Dr. Bailey, Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Silvia, Mr. Oliver were also in attendance as well as others.

1. Call to Order.

2. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Payroll and Warrants:

a. Motion was made by Mrs. Gomes and seconded by Mr. Sumner to approve all payrolls and warrants. The committee unanimously agreed.

4. Delegation:

5. Old Business:

a. Little Toy Budget Update, Mrs. Flynn. Mrs. Flynn gave the committee an update on the progress of the playground and explained that there was a need to increase the budget, mostly due to the asphalt replacement. A motion was made by Mrs. Gomes and seconded by Mr. Sumner to approve the increase of \$16,900.87. Discussion ensued. The committee unanimously approved.

6. New Business:

a. Superintendent's Report, Dr. Bailey. Dr. Bailey mentioned that her transition has been smooth, and thanked everyone for the welcome she has received. She will report back to the committee at a future meeting with an entry plan and the steps she plans to use to move forward.

*Dr. Bailey introduced Mr. T. Scott Johnson, the new assistant principal of the elementary school. Mr. Johnson was welcomed by the committee.

*Dr. Bailey mentioned that there have been numerous personnel changes that have occurred in the district since the last meeting. Discussion ensued.

*Dr. Bailey introduced Mrs. Beck who reviewed the changes to the AES student handbook. Motion was made by Mrs. Downing and seconded by Mrs. Gomes to accept the changes to the AES handbook. Vote was unanimous by roll call.

*Dr. Bailey introduced Mrs. Silvia who reviewed changes to the FMS student handbook. Motion was made by Mrs. Downing and seconded by Mr. Sumner to accept the changes to the FMS handbook. Discussion ensued. Vote was unanimous by roll call.

b. Technology Director's Report, Mr. Oliver. Mr. Oliver gave an update on the numerous technology projects that have taken place over the summer. He also informed the committee about our new ASPEN data base program, as well as the new Acushnet Public School's website. Discussion ensued.

c. Business Manager's Report, Mrs. Flynn.

*Mrs. Flynn gave the committee an update regarding the status of the numerous projects that have been worked on over the summer and an update on those completed.

*Mrs. Flynn presented two budget transfers to be approved by the committee. Motion was made by Mrs. Gomes and seconded by Mr. Sumner to approve the two transfers. The committee unanimously approved.

d. School Committee Member Reports

* Mrs. Gomes mentioned that she and Mrs. Beck will be meeting in the near future to discuss the fundraising for "Little Toy" and will be seeking parents and/or staff members to be a part of this committee.

* Mrs. Tavares sent condolences to the family of Mr. Frank Kuthan, past school committee member, who recently passed away.

7. Communication and Information: See packet.

8. Executive Session: None

9. Adjourn: The next regular school committee meeting will be held in the John Tavares Library in the Ford Middle School on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. Motion was made by Mrs. Downing and seconded by Mr. Sumner to adjourn the meeting. The committee unanimously approved. (6:15 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted:
Mary E. Carter, Secretary

Signature



9/18/18
Date