



Provincetown Schools

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**PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL
ELMER I. SILVA LEARNING CENTER
12 Winslow Street
PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657**

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

TIME: 4:30 P.M.

Public Hearing on FY 20 Budget

TIME: 5:30 PM

Attendees

Ngina Lythcott - Chair

Liz Lovati - Vice Chair (left at 5:50pm)

Dr. Beth Singer - Superintendent

Jennifer Rhodes - minutes

Tracey Kachtick-Anders

Cass Benson

Dr. Timothy Reynolds - Principal

Minutes

1. Call To Order at 4:31pm
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comments - no public comments
4. Minutes: November 14, 2018
MOTION: Cass Benson motioned to accept meeting minutes from 11/14/2018
SECOND: Liz Lovati seconded
VOTE: 4-0-0
5. Superintendent's Update:
 - 5.1 Winter Wednesdays
 - Dr. Singer informed the committee that we are hosting Winter Wednesdays for the third year. Shane Landry is managing the program. All call out for instructors. February 6th to March 27th from 6pm to 8pm. Program is free.
 - 5.2 2019 Musical
 - This year's musical will be Shrek Jr. Casting has occurred and they are rehearsing. Dr. Singer suggested that there is consideration to have two musicals a year. One would be a collaboration with Truro.
 - 5.3 Early Educator search
 - Search has been completed. Steven Stahl has been offered the position.
6. Unfinished Business:
 - 6.1 FY 20 Budget Adoption
MOTION: Liz Lovati

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SECOND: Cass Benson

VOTE: 4-0-0

6.2 School Zone - moved to next meeting because Eva Enos was not present.

6.3 School Uniforms

- Tracey consulted with local store owners. More information to come. Dr. Singer informed the committee that she asked the basketball coach to order warm up suits for visibility as was suggested.
- More information to be discussed at future meetings.
- Tracey will work on pros and cons.

6.4 Scholarship Committee

- Michelle Axelsan has been suggested.
 - MOTION: Motion to nominate Michelle Axelsan by Tracey Kachtick Anders
 - SECOND: Cass Benson
 - **VOTE: 3-0-0**
- Sarah Piper and David Oliver were also suggested as nominees. It was suggested that Liz Lovati be asked to check with Sarah Piper.

7. New Business:

7.1 Overnight Field Trip request for Future Cities (moved up to earlier in the agenda)

- MOTION: Liz Lovati motioned to accept the overnight field trip request to the Museum of Science
- SECOND: Tracey Kachtick-Anders
- **VOTE: 4-0-0**

7.2 Policy JH - Student Absences and Excuses

- Dr. Singer reviewed the revised policy and why the policy was being revised.
- The committee will review and revisit at next meeting.

7.3 Wee Care: Discussion on Policy Development

- Questions asked:
 - Should employees be part of collective bargaining and the union vs. employees at will?
 - Should we consider expanding WeeCare program? Currently a waitlist.
 - Should a teacher be added?
 - If program is expanded, how is that funded?
 - Should toddlers have the benefits of all students at Provincetown schools ie. specials, gym, art, etc?
- Committee requested a list of questions and for this to be continued at the next meeting for further discussion.

7.4 Superintendent Search Process (moved up to the beginning of the meeting after Meeting Minutes)

- Ngina suggested determining qualities that were important for a superintendent.
- Discussion regarding the process and how to move forward.
- Advertise starting in January 2019 for 6 weeks.
- Suggestion made to consult with MASC for a list of interview questions.
- Tracey Kachtick-Anders would like to include the special education director as well as a teacher from the MYP and PYP.
- Qualities and requirements were discussed.

8. PSC Comments

- Ngina Lythcott: Very grateful to have members of the public present at this evening's meeting. Wondering how to resolve not having members in attendance and causing delays. Happy with the budget process and how transparent the process has been up to this point.

Would like committee members to update themselves on what happened at the missed meetings. Suggested viewing meetings on PTV.

- Cass Benson: Wanted to say thank you to all people who donated to the gift drive.
- Tracey Kachtick-Anders: Want to be careful always and to be conscious of keeping religious stuff out of school.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Cass Benson motion to adjourn

SECOND: Tracey Kachtick-Anders seconded

VOTE: 3-0-0