

PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of June 14, 2005 Meeting held in VMES Library

Present: Terese Nelson (Chair), Peter Grosso (Vice-Chair), Burt Wolfman (Secretary), Molly Perdue (excused @ 5:30 pm) and Debra Trovato.

Others Present: Janice Lachowetz (Superintendent), Edward G. Boxer (PHS Principal), Anthony Teso (VMES Principal), Jessica Waugh (Curriculum Coordinator) and Sheila Colburn (Recording Secretary).

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM.

The Committee voted to go into Executive Session and to reconvene in open session.

The Committee reconvened in open session at 5:40 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mrs. Lachowetz thanked the Committee for the reception welcome at PAAM given in her honor.

Mr. James Nickson gave the Committee information on the Linux System as an option to Microsoft regarding technology in schools. He gave the Committee a report for their perusal.

MINUTES:

Debra Trovato made the motion to accept the minutes of May 24, 2005 as written; seconded by Molly Perdue; so voted 5-0.

The Chair represented the Committee in acknowledging retiring teacher Mr. James Brizzi. A heartfelt thank you was given for all his time in effort, not only in the classroom but on the stage.

EDUCATIONAL UPDATE:

- Mrs. Betty White gave the committee a **financial update**. She informed those present of a continuing budget freeze that may run into next school year. Beginning to build the fiscal '07 budget was discussed and is underway.
- Mr. Teso gave an overview of the results of the **third grade reading MCAS**. The fact that only ten students were tested and the profile of the class was discussed. The main issue was that the students are improving and getting the appropriate help that they need.
- Jessica Waugh and Anthony Teso gave the Committee a **status report on grants**. All grants available are being actively pursued at this time.
- Mr. Boxer gave the Committee information about the upcoming **final exam schedule at the high school** and a list of upcoming events.

NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Judith Stayton asked the Committee to support an overnight trip for **Jostens Summer Workshop** for herself and five students. The purpose of the trip is to attend workshops on all aspects of creating a yearbook. The monies will be coming out of student activities account. Burt Wolfman made the motion to support this trip; Debra Trovato seconded; so voted 4-0.

9.2 Debra Trovato made the motion to accept the **bids for milk and ice cream**; seconded by Peter Grosso; so voted 4-0.

CLOSING STATEMENTS:

The Committee discussed the upcoming workshop to be held on Thursday June 16. The Chair will order food.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

These minutes were approved by a vote of the Provincetown School Committee at their meeting on _____, 20_____.

Respectfully Submitted,

School Committee Signature

Title

Sheila M. Colburn, Recording Secretary