

## **Regular Meeting (Wednesday, December 7, 2022)**

*Generated by Julie Marynok on Thursday, December 8, 2022*

### **Members present**

Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard (7:26 PM)

### **Members absent**

Whitney Marshall, Robert Campbell, James Cournoyer, John Columbus, John Mollica, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Petersham Vacant

### **Officers of the School Committee Present**

Thomas Browne

### **Student Representative to the school Committee (Non-Voting)**

Hannah Army

### **School district personnel present**

Dayana Carlson, Principal, Kathryn Schmidt, Assistant Principal, Ryan Rege, Director of Vocational Programs, Donald Kitzmiller, Director of Technology, Tammy Crockett, Business Manager, Katy Whitaker, Development Coordinator, Victoria Zarozinski, Director of Student Support Services, Michael Gormley, Facilities Director, and Julie Marynok, Recording Secretary

### **Legal Counsel**

Colleen Shea, Stoneman, Chandler & Miller LLP

### **Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM**

#### **1. Opening Items**

Information, Procedural: A. Call to Order

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

Information: C. Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Information: D. Public Comment

Action, Minutes: E. Approval of Minutes

**MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2022 AS PRESENTED.**

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes

Abstain: Donna Lafayette, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond

#### **2. Superintendent-Director's Report**

Information: A. Superintendent-Director Update

- Monty Tech Co-op Placements Update - As of this week, Co-Op Coordinator Kim Curry has approved 125 Seniors (that's 39% of the Senior class) to work off-site during shop week and learn alongside industry professionals as part of our Co-op Program.

- Monty Tech continues to partner with regional businesses to help support our students entering the workforce.
- Grants Submitted - Monty tech submitted a proposal for the CTE Equitable Access Grant, *Fund Code 427*, in the amount of \$40,000. The grant will support English Learners and students with disabilities through the implementation of academic and programmatic supports.
- Month Tech submitted a proposal for the round 7 Career Technical Initiative. We expect to hear in January.
- Superintendent Browne has been asked to be a member of the Collaborative Council for the Central Massachusetts STEM Network (CMSN) Ecosystem.
- Update on 270 Westminster - Monty tech continues to work with Gelinis & Ward to finalize lease language. Administration anticipates bringing lease to full School Committee for approval on January 4, 2023.
- Monty Tech will be holding a Professional Development Day on December 16th offering a variety of topics.
- Monty Tech was made aware that, following the release of the results of the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), all fourteen of the Monty Tech LPN students who recently sat for the exam received a passing score.
- The newly renovated school store, The Dog House, will have its grand opening Friday, December 16, 2022.

Information: B. Superintendent-Director 2022-2023 Goals Presentation  
 Superintendent Browne's 2022-2023 Goals - In the packet for perusal.

Information: C. Program Advisory Committee Notes - In the packet for perusal.

Information: D. Special Education Program Advisory Committee Notes - In the packet for perusal.

Information E. Practical Nursing Advisory Committee Notes - In the packet for perusal.

### 3. Principal's Report

Information: A. Student Representative's Monthly Report - In the packer for perusal.

#### Athletics

Information: B. Principal's Monthly Report

- Parent/Teacher Conferences- were held November 15th and 17th virtually via ZOOM.
- Monty Tech partnered with Walgreens for its annual flu clinic for faculty and staff on November 17th.
- ASVAB - 21 Students participated in the ASVAB Assessment on November 30th.
- VIP Session # 2 is under way from December 1st - December 22nd. The participating towns: Barre, Hubbardston, Harvard, Holden, Princeton, Sterling, Lunenburg
- Monty Tech played in the State Vocational Championship Football Game on December 1st vs Bay Path.

Information: C. Enrollment/Withdrawal/New Entry Report/Waitlist - In the packet for perusal.

### 4. Personnel

Information: A. Retirement

Ellen Gammel, Instructional Technologist, will retire on June 30, 2023, after 6 years.

Nina Welch, Dean of Students Administrative Assistant, will retire on December 23, 2022, after 20 years.

Information: B. Resignation

Dominque Berube, a Paraprofessional, has resigned after 3 months.

Madison Lowe, a Paraprofessional, has resigned after 3 months.

Information: C. Appointment

Melissa Lord has moved from cafeteria worker to Community Outreach specialist at a salary of \$50,000.00

5. Reports by Subcommittees

Information: A. Policy

Information: B. Capital Improvements

Action, Information: C. Workforce

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE WORKFORCE SUBCOMMITTEE TO ACCEPT AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED GOALS AS PRESENTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Eric Olson, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Information: D. Student Advisory

Information: E. Scholarship (Ad hoc)

Information: F. Financial Planning

6. Financial

Information: A. Financial Statements

Action, Discussion: B. Acceptance of Grant - St. Gobain

MOVE THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE GRANT FROM ST. GOBAIN IN A CHECK AMOUNT OF \$7,575.00 TO BENEFIT THE YOGA & MEDITATIVE ART PROGRAM.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Discussion: C. Acceptance of Grant - DESE Partnership Planning Grant

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP PLANNING GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 TO BE USED TO DEVELOP PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM WITH SENDING DISTRICTS.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Jeffrey Raymond.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

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Action, Discussion: E. Acceptance of Donation - Ray Hachey Inc.

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ACCEPT A DONATION FROM RAY HACHEY INC. OF SOLID WOODS IN VARIOUS LENGTHS AND WIDTHS WITH AN APPROXIMATE VALUE OF \$4000 TO BENEFIT THE CABINETMAKING PROGRAM.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

7. Communications

Information: A. Teacher's Information or Proposals

Information: B. School Committee Chairman Report - An updated Subcommittee assignment sheet was in the packet.

Information: C. School Committee Information or Proposals

Information: D. School Committee Comments

Information: E. Correspondence/Reports

8. Other Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair Forty-Eight Hours Before the Meeting

9. Closing Items

Action, Information: A. Adjournment

MOVE TO ADJOURN

Motion by James Boone, second by William Brassard.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, Eric Olson, James Boone, Jeanne Bartlett, Jeffrey Raymond, Jessica Schanz, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM