

Regular Meeting (Wednesday, February 1, 2023)

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Members present

Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Members absent

Jeanne Bartlett, Eric Olson, Jeffrey Raymond, Barbara Reynolds, James Cournoyer, Petersham Vacant, Whitney Marshall

Officers of the School Committee Present

Superintendent-Director 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, Tammy Crockett, Business Manager, Katy Whitaker, Development Coordinator, Victoria Zarozinski, Director of Student Support Services, Donald Kitzmiller, Director of Technology, and Julie Marynok, Recording Secretary

Legal Counsel

Colleen Shea, Stoneman, Chandler & Miller LLP

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

1. Opening Items

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 JANUARY 4, 2023 AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Abstain: Donna Lafayette, Robert Campbell

2. Superintendent-Director's Report

Information: A. Superintendent-Director Update

- Ongoing Entry Plan Meetings - There will be an upcoming meeting with Congresswomen Lori Trahan on February 15, 2023.
- NEADS World Class Service Dogs - Monty Tech and NEADS are working to continue partnership through various programs.
- On March 15, 2023, Monty Tech will participate in a regularly scheduled Tiered Focused Monitoring Review from DESE.
- 270 Westminster Update - On January 11th we held our first Partnership Planning Meeting, with school-based teams in attendance. The Districts reviewed all elements of the online application, and provided all schools with written and electronic files of forms they would need to upload to complete the application.
A collaborative MOU will be created and signed by all partnering Districts.
Each district will submit an After Dark Approval Application to DESE for both Carpentry and Electrical programs which is due March 10, 2023.

Action, Information: B. Out of State Field Trip

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE AN OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP FOR 17 SENIOR COSMETOLOGY STUDENTS TO TRAVEL TO MANHATTAN, NEW YORK, FOR THE INTERNATIONAL HAIR SHOW ON TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by William Brassard.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Information: C. Out of State Field Trip

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE AN OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP FOR FRESHMEN AND JUNIORS TO TRAVEL TO PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND FOR THE JLC LIVE RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION SHOW ON FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

3. Principal's Report

Information: A. Student Representative's Monthly Report is attached to agenda for perusal.

Information: B. Principal's Monthly Report

- On January 5, 2023, Monty Tech hosted a Military awareness night along with our JROTC program in order to support students' post-secondary plans and to provide an opportunity for both, students and families to meet with recruiters from all military branches.
- Monty Tech administered the ACCESS test in January to all English learners (EL's). This assessment measures students' proficiency in learning the English language in four language domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing, and helps determine the language strengths and weaknesses of our ELs. In addition, it identifies the supports needed for teachers, both academic and vocational, to directly address each individual student's language challenges.

Information: C. Enrollment/Withdrawal/New Entry Report/Waitlist

Action, Information: D. Vote to Approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR AS AMENDED.

Motion by Ross Barber, second by Diane Swenson.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Information: E. Program of Studies

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTE TO APPROVE THE PROGRAM OF STUDIES FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR AS SUBMITTED.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Ronald Tourigny.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

4. Personnel

Information: A. Retirement

Information: B. Resignation

Information: C. Appointment

5. Reports by Subcommittees

Action, Information: A. Policy

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE APPROVE FOR A FIRST READING, SECTION C: GENERAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION: CBD, CBI, CH (AS AMENDED), AND CI, AND REMOVAL OF OUTDATED, REDUNDANT, OR DIFFERENTLY INCORPORATED POLICIES: CBG AND CHC.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Peter Capone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Information: B. Policy-2

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE APPROVE FOR A SECOND READING, AA, AA-E, AND AD, AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Ronald Tourigny.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Information: C. Capital Improvements

Information: D. Workforce

Information: E. Student Advisory

Information: F. Scholarship (Ad hoc)

Information: G. Meeting Recording (Ad hoc)

Information: H. Financial Planning

6. Financial

Information: A. Financial Statements

Information: B. Results of Auction

7. Communications

Information: A. Teacher's Information or Proposals

Information: B. School Committee Chairman Report

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 Peter Capone, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Diane Swenson, Donna Lafayette, Eric Commodore, James Boone, Jessica Schanz, John Columbus, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Robert Campbell, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM