

**Regular Meeting (Wednesday, May 3, 2023)**

*Generated by Julie Marynok on Thursday, May 4, 2023*

**Members present**

Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

**Members absent**

Barbara Reynolds, Donna Lafayette, James Cournoyer, Jeanne Bartlett, Petersham Vacant, Robert Campbell, Whitney Marshall

**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, Katy Whitaker, Development Coordinator, Christina Favreau, Director of Academic Programs, Victoria Zarozinski, Director of Student Support Services, Donald Kitzmiller, Director of Technology, and Julie Marynok, Recording

**Secretary Legal Counsel**

Thomas Delmar, 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 APRIL 5, 2023 AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Barbara Reynolds, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes

Abstain: Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, William Brassard

## 2. Superintendent-Director's Report

### Information: A. Superintendent-Director Update

- On April 29, 2023, 35 members of the Monty Tech SkillsUSA Chapter participated in the State competitions in Marlborough. Three students will be representing Monty Tech and SkillsUSA Nationals Competition from June 20 to June 23rd.
- Monty Tech has chosen Day Time Supervisor, Juan Valentin, as Monty Tech's Employee of the Year.
- On April 13, 2023, Kiana Cintron, a senior Graphic Communication's Student, represented Monty Tech at the MAVA Most Outstanding Vocational Student Award ceremony.
- Monty Tech will host its Annual Regional Job Fair on May 4, 2023.
- Superintendent Browne gave an update on the 270 Westminster Street project.
- Superintendent Browne reviewed and provided supporting evidence of the completion of his Annual Goals for 2022-2023.

### Information: A. Superintendent-Director Update

Superintendent-Director End of Year Update was in the packet for perusal.

### Action, Information: C. Out of State Field Trip

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE AN OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR 34 AUTO BODY AND AUTO TECH STUDENTS TO TRAVEL TO EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE TO ATTEND THE NEW ENGLAND DRAGWAY NHRA YOUTH EDUCATION SERVICES PROGRAM ON JUNE 2, 2023 FROM 7:45 AM TO 2:00 PM AT NO COST TO STUDENTS.

Motion by William Brassard, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

### Action, Information: D. Out of State Field Trip

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE AN OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR 20 VETERINARY SCIENCE FRESHMEN TO TRAVEL TO BROOKLYN CONNECTICUT TO THE AKC CONFIRMATION DOG SHOW ON MAY 12, 2023 FROM 8:30 AM TO 6:00 PM AT NO COST TO STUDENTS.

Motion by William Brassard, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

### Action, Information: E. Out of State Field Trip

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTES TO APPROVE AN OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR 54 MCJROTC STUDENTS TO TRAVEL TO PRINCE WILLIAM FOREST PARK,

TRIANGLE VIRGINIA FROM JUNE 10 - JUNE 16 FOR THE PURPOSE OF A HISTORICAL SITE VISIT, LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT, AND TEAM BUILDING.

Motion by William Brassard, second by Peter Capone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

### 3. Principal's Report

Information: A. Student Representative's Monthly Report in the packet for perusal.

Information: B. Principal's Monthly Report

On March 31-April 2 our Drama Club provided three performances of Lucky Stiff. We had a great turnout from students and the community.

In support of mental and physical health issues, Monty Tech hosted Sullivan's Message student assemblies and a Community Event on April 25, 2023. Their mission is to bring more awareness to alcohol/drug abuse, mental health and the importance of making good decisions.

Information: C. Enrollment/Withdrawal/New Entry Report are in the packet for perusal.

### 4. Personnel

Information: A. Retirement

Information: B. Resignation - Jenae Thom, Accounts Payable, has resigned after 8 years.

Information: C. Appointment - Chelsea Gaudet from Athol, has been hired as a Paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$18.78.

### 5. Reports by Subcommittees

Action, Information: A. Policy - Diane Swenson Chair

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE APPROVE FOR A SECOND READING, BEDH - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by William Brassard.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Information: B. Policy - Diane Swenson Chair

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE APPROVE FOR A FIRST READING, AC, ACA, ACAB, ACB, ACD, ACF, BCB, CG, CM, FE, AND FF.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Information: D. Capital Improvements - Diane Swenson Chair

Information: E. Workforce - Eric Olson Chair

Information: F. Student Advisory - Melanie Weeks Chair

Information: G. Scholarship (Ad hoc) - Barbara Reynolds Chair

Information: I. Financial Planning - Eric Olson Chair

## 6. Financial

Information: A. Financial Statements

Action, Discussion: B. Acceptance of Donation - The Barre Masonic Charitable  
MOVE THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE BARRE  
MASONIC CHARITABLE EDUCATIONAL CORP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250.00 TO  
BENEFIT THE AUTOMOTIVE STUDENT ACTIVITIES ACCOUNT

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Ronald Tourigny.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Discussion: C. Acceptance of Donation - The Barre Masonic Charitable  
MOVE THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE BARRE  
MASONIC CHARITABLE EDUCATIONAL CORP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250.00 TO  
BENEFIT THE ELECTRICAL PROGRAM ACCOUNT

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by Ronald Tourigny.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Action, Information: D. Acceptance of Donation - L.S. Starrett Company  
MOVE THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE L.S.  
STARRETT COMPANY OF ATHOL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350,000 TO BENEFIT THE  
ADVANCED MANUFACTURING AND AUTO TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENTS.

Motion by Diane Swenson, second by William Brassard.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

## 7. Communications

Information: A. Teacher's Information or Proposals

Action, Discussion, Information: B. School Committee Chairman Report

MOVE THAT THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE CHANGE THE START TIME OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO 6:30 PM.

Motion by Eric Commodore, second by Peter Capone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Information: C. School Committee Information or Proposals

Information: D. School Committee Comments

Information: E. Correspondence/Reports

## 8. Executive Session

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

## 10. Closing Items

Action, Information: A. Adjournment

MOVE TO ADJOURN

Motion by Peter Capone, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Diane Swenson, Eric Commodore, James Boone, John Mollica, Melanie Weeks, Michael Hurley, Peter Capone, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Sara Dilg, Tamarah Estes, William Brassard

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM