

Regular Meeting (Wednesday, March 6, 2019)

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Members present

Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Boone, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

Members absent

James Cournoyer, Diane Swenson, Amy Morton, Maureen Ward, Eric Olson

Administrators present

Thomas Browne, Principal, Michael Gormley, Director of Facilities, Tammy Crockett, Business Manager, Donald Kitzmiller, Director of Technology, Christina Favreau, Director of Academic Programs and Julie Marynok, Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

1. Opening Items

Procedural: A. Call to Order

Matthew Vance announced he was recording the meeting

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Walker reviewed a letter he received from Gardner's Mayor Hawke

Discussion, Information: C. Public Hearing

Mr. Walker called the Public Hearing to order at 7:03 pm.

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 38N, notice of the Hearing on the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget was published in the Gardner News, the Sentinel & Enterprise, Fitchburg, and the Telegram & Gazette, Worcester for a Public Hearing on March 6, 2019. The meeting notice was emailed to all city/town clerks in the District for posting and was posted on the Monty Tech website.

Copies of the Monty Tech Preliminary Budget Plan for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 were sent to all the cities and towns in the District.

Mrs. Tammy Crockett, Business/Human Resources Manager, presented a PowerPoint explaining the budget process, the foundation budget, net school spending, and minimum contribution and explained the calculation of a community's assessment. She presented individual information on their city or town to all the School Committee members. The budget figures are based on Governor Charles Baker's budget figures.

There were no representatives from communities of the District present.

Mr. Walker closed the Public Hearing at 8:07 pm.

Information: D. Public Comment

Information: E. Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Action, Minutes: F. Approval of Minutes

Move that the District Committee vote to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2019, as presented.

Motion by Mary Barclay, second by Ross Barber.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, John Mollica, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

Abstain: James Boone, James Gilbert, Kathleen Airoidi

2. Superintendent-Director's Report

Information: A. Superintendent-Director Update

- Update on grant submitted to CFNCM for \$15,000.00 for AED and CPR equipment and supplies.
- Resubmitted FY20 Skills Capital Grant for \$384,258.00.
- Superintendent provided updated matching grant funds received this year for Vet tech Program.
- Update on Motivational Day, March 6, 2019 with Mr. Abagnale.
- Reminder of the Superintendent's Dinner on April 3rd.

Action: B. JROTC Cyber Team Out-of-State Field Trip

That the district committee votes to approve the overnight out-of-state trip for six students and two chaperones to Baltimore, Maryland from April 7 through April 11, 2019. All expenses to be paid by the Marine Corps JROTC.

Motion by James Boone, second by Peter Capone.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Boone, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

3. Principal's Report

Information: A. Student Representative's Monthly Report – None

Information: B. Principal's Monthly Report

- Principal Browne gave an update on Athletic success.
- Mount Wachusett Community College held a Decision Day at Monty Tech on February 27th.

Information: C. Enrollment/Withdrawal/New Entry report/Attendance Report from 2/1/2019 – 2/28/2019 was presented for perusal.

Action: D. Enrollment Quota for Class of 2023

That the district committee votes to approve setting the enrollment quota for the Class of 2023 at 355 students and authorizes the Dean of Admissions to accept up to 365 students after June 1, 2019.

Motion by Mary Barclay, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Boone, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

4. Personnel

Information: A. Spring Coaches – A list was provided for committee members.

5. Reports by Subcommittees

Action, Information: A. Financial Planning

That the district committee votes to approve the amended FY2020 fiscal budget. Total Budget of \$29,000,202 less Revenues of \$18,107,513 for a Total Community Assessments of \$10,892,689.

Motion by Matthew Vance, second by James Boone.

Final Resolution: Motion Failed

Aye: James Boone, Matthew Vance, Ross Barber, William Brassard

Nay: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall

That the district committee votes to approve the tentative fiscal 2020 budget. Total Budget of \$28,760,202 less Revenues of \$17,867,513 for Total Community Assessments of \$10,892,689.

Motion by Whitney Marshall, second by William Brassard.

So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

Abstain: James Boone

Action, Information: B. Policy

Information: C. Capital Improvements

Information: D. Workforce

Information: E. Student Advisory

Information, Procedural: F. Scholarship (Ad hoc)

6. Financial

Information: A. January 2019 Financial Statements

Action: B. Acceptance of Grants - MassCue

The District Committee accept the grant from Mass Computer Using Educators (MassCUE) for \$3,000 for a Collaborative Technology Learning Station.

Motion by Mary Barclay, second by Barbara Reynolds.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Boone, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

7. Communications

Information: A. Teacher's Information or Proposals

Information: B. School Committee Chairman Report

Chairman Walker stated that the Fitchburg Planning Board minutes from their December 11, 2018 meeting had been revised.

Action: C. School Committee Information or Proposals

That the district committee approves up to \$2500 for Diane Swenson to attend and participate in the National SkillsUSA Competition in Louisville, KY from June 22 through June 29, 2019.

Motion by Mary Barclay, second by Kathleen Airoidi.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Boone, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

Action, Information: D. Safeguarding Quality Chapter 74 Standards in Massachusetts

M. Barclay requested that Safeguarding Quality Chapter 74 Standards in Massachusetts be put on the April agenda to allow her to look into the topic.

Information: E. School Committee Comments

Information: F. Correspondence/Reports

8. Closing Items

Action: A. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Peter Capone, second by Mary Barclay.

Final Resolution: So Voted

Aye: Barbara Reynolds, Brian Walker, Edward Simms, James Boone, James Gilbert, John Mollica, Kathleen Airoidi, Mary Barclay, Matthew Vance, Melanie Weeks, Peter Capone, Robert Babineau, Ronald Tourigny, Ross Barber, Toni Phillips, Whitney Marshall, William Brassard

Meeting adjourned at 9:37