

Town of Provincetown
School Committee
Veterans Memorial Elementary School Library
Minutes of March 14, 2006

Members Present: Terese Nelson (Chairperson), Peter Grosso, (Vice Chair), Debra Trovato, Burton Wolfman (Secretary), Molly Perdue,
Student Representatives: Jasmine Hadley and Helen Hemley

Also in attendance: Janice K. Lachowetz, Superintendent of Schools, Anthony Teso, VMES Principal/DSS, Edward Boxer, PHS Principal, and Jessica Waugh, Curriculum Coordinator, Sean Roderick, Katy Ward, Donald Murphy and Others

The Chair called the meeting to order 4.02 P.M. following roll call of members.

Public Comments:

Terese Nelson presented to Sean Roderick and Katy Ward certificates which stated outstanding public service and for their leadership of the student body regarding community discussions concerning school regionalization.

Mr. Don Murphy told a story about his father, a former Provincetown High School teacher and coach, and about the importance of children to a community.

Jasmine Hadley reported on the Student Council trip to the United Nations and New York City.

Approval of Minutes:

The following minutes were approved:

January 19, 2006. Moved by Peter Grosso, seconded by Debra Trovato, 5-0	
January 18,2006 Moved by Debra Trovato, seconded by Peter Grosso, 5-0	
February 14,2006 Moved by Peter Grosso, seconded by Debra Trovato, 4-0-1	abstention
February 15,2006, Moved by Debra Trovato, seconded by Molly Perdue, 5-0	
March 2, 2006, (student meeting) Moved by Peter Grosso, seconded by Molly Perdue, 5-0	
March 2, 2006, Finance Committee. Moved Debra Trovato, seconded Peter	Grosso, 5-0

Unfinished Business:

5.1 This was the scheduled seconded reading of the PSC Policy Nutrition and Physical Activity. At the request of the Superintendent it was moved by Peter Grosso and seconded by Molly Perdue to postpone this item to a future meeting when the principle authors (Dr. Joely Edwards and Lead School Nurse, Susan Baker) could be present. The motion was so voted 5-0.

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Educational Update:

Mr. Teso and Mr. Boxer reported on the expanded MCAS testing requirements and their dates. Mr. Teso also reported on a joint grant proposal to the Massachusetts Cultural Council being developed by the Schools and the Provincetown Art Association and Museum.

Mr. Boxer reported on a joint project with Mr. John Hanlon (high school teacher), students, and the shellfish warden for Truro and Provincetown. The project is to implement a grant for cultivation of sea clams in the Provincetown/Truro harbor.

Principal Search Committee: Peter Grosso made a motion to appoint Burton Wolfman as school committee representative on the search committee. Debra Trovato seconded. The motion carried 4-0-1 Mr. Wolfman abstained

New Business:

7.1 Burton Wolfman made a motion to approved line item transfer #10-2415-15-500-135 VMES Library Books \$2000 to 10-2415-31-500-134 Library Book PHS. Seconded by Molly Perdue. So voted 5-0.

7.2 Peter Grosso made a motion to approve the Grade 5 overnight trip to Nature’s Classroom. Molly Perdue seconded the motion. So voted 5-0

Peter Grosso made a motion to approve the Grade 6 Overnight Boston Trip. Molly Perdue seconded the motion. So voted 5-0

7.3 The 2006-07 School Calendar *Draft* will be considered and reviewed at the next school committee meeting.

7.4 The revised Memorandum Of Understanding for Management Information Technical Support services for the schools and town was reviewed with Beau Jackett. Peter Grosso made a motion to approve the revised MOU. Seconded by Debra Trovato. So voted 5-0.

Mr. Wolfman requested the chair to schedule, at a future meeting, a discussion of a work schedule and timetables for implementing the schools technology goals and objectives.

Unfinished Business:

8.1 Janice Williams made a presentation regarding a strategic planning process, its components, its requirements and its timetable. The consensus of the Committee was to proceed with the proposal and have Ms. Williams submit a formal proposal to initiate the process.

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Chair Terese Nelson announced the meeting would be going into Executive Session to discuss Union and Non Union Contracts. Ms. Nelson also stated the committee will not be returning to regular session
On a roll call vote by the committee, they entered Executive Session

Open meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary

Date

These minutes were approved at a meeting held on

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