

MINUTES

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Location: 5 West Street, School Committee Room

April 5, 2023 6:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Jessie Harrington

Meghan McCrillis

Gail Holloway

Brooke Wrenn

Beth Chamberland, Superintendent

Alan Keller, Assistant Superintendent

Ceceila Wirzbicki

Erick Berg, High School Teacher/Ski Club Advisor

Ella Berg - Student

Logan Costa - Student

Gregory Walton, Director of Pupil Services

Joseph Fahey, Director of Facilities

Eric Bouvier, Director of Technology

Brooke Beverly, Bryn Mawr Elementary School

Jennifer Stanick, Pakachoag Elementary

Susan Lopez, Swanson Road Intermediate School

Gregg Desto, Auburn Middle School

Absent

Samantha Raphael

Zoom

Karen Ballway

Daniel Delongchamp, Auburn High School

CALL TO ORDER:

Jessie Harrington called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.
Meghan McCrillis read out loud the Auburn Public School Vision & Commitment.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS: None

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS: None

Minutes: 3/15/23

Jessie Harrington entertained a motion to accept the minutes from 3/15/23.

Brooke Wrenn made a motion to accept the minutes from 3/15/23. Gail Holloway seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Spotlight on Students:

Dr. Chamberland introduced Auburn High School teacher and ski club advisor, Erik Berg and students, Ella Berg & Logan Costa, that all attended the Utah Ski Trip.

The students, along with Mr. Berg, shared with the committee their experience in Utah, as well as showed a brief video.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Chamberland asked the chair if the committee would entertain a motion to open tonight's public hearing on the FY' 24 budget.

Jessie Harrington entertained the motion.

Meghan McCrillis made a motion to open the FY'24 public hearing. Brooke Wrenn seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved.

Dr. Chamberland opened the Public Hearing and went over the Budget Overview slides that are provided in the packet.

Alan Keller, Assistant Superintendent/Preschool Principal then presented.

- Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, and Preschool = \$626,085.53

Cecilia Wirzbicki, Business Manager (Central Office) then presented.

- Central Administration Salaries = \$1,546,163.54
- Central Administration Support Costs = \$1,320,788.91
- Central Administration Total Budget = \$2,866,952.45

Gregory Walton, Director of Pupil Services then presented.

- Pupil Services' Salaries = \$1,415,047.38
- Pupil Services' Support Costs = \$932,302.88
- Total Costs for Pupil Services = \$2,347,350.26

Joseph Fahey, Director of Facilities then presented.

- Director of Facilities' Costs = \$291,742.79

Eric Bouvier, Director of Technology then presented.

- Director of Technology Costs = \$230,096.20

Brooke Beverly, Bryn Mawr Elementary School then presented.

- Bryn Mawr Salaries = \$2,542,237.48
- Bryn Mawr Support Costs = \$91,645.00
- Bryn Mawr Total Budget = \$2,633,882.48

Jennifer Stanick, Pakachoag Elementary School then presented.

- Pakachoag Salaries = \$2,184,267.86
- Pakachoag Support Costs = \$120,267.30
- Pakachoag Total Budget = \$2,304,535.16

Susan Lopez, Swanson Road Intermediate School then presented.

- SWIS Salaries = \$4,667,163.00
- SWIS Support Costs = \$217,581.25
- SWIS Total Budget = \$4,884,744.25

Gregg Desto, Auburn Middle School then presented.

- AMS Salaries = \$5,525,612.18
- AMS Support Costs = \$319,953.97
- AMS Total Budget = \$5,845,566.15

Daniel Delongchamp, Auburn High School then presented.

- AHS Salaries = \$7,165,891.68

- AHS Support Costs = \$ 457,529.55
- AHS Total Budget = \$7,623,421.23
- Athletics & Fine Arts Total Costs = \$477,899.50

Dr. Chamberland thanked the leadership team, the school committee, and the people of the town for their support.

Jessie Harrington: We appreciate the town for their support.

Dr. Chamberland asked the chair if the committee would entertain a motion to close tonight's public hearing on the FY' 24 budget.

Jessie Harrington entertained the motion.

Meghan McCrillis made a motion to close the FY'24 public hearing. Brooke Wrenn seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved.

Residency Requirements

Dr. Chamberland: Since the committee approved the residency check points, we have reviewed the current School Admission Policy JF. It is out of date and needs to be expanded to assist in making sure the process is thorough and rigorous.

Brooke Wrenn: I suggest you add closing paperwork to the requirements as well.

Jessie Hrrington: And we should remind everyone that only one item from each category is requires. This gives you many options.

Meghan McCrillis: When will this need to be provided?

Beth Chamberland: For the residency check points, this will need to be provided prior to the start of school.

Cecelia Wirzbicki: Auburn is not alone, other districts are having residency issues as well.

Beth Chamberland: This is the only policy update for the time being. We did reach out to other districts to see what they require. The MASC site with policies has been down, when we have access again, we will continue to update and bring forward policies.

TEACHING AND LEARNING REPORT:

Alan Keller: On Wednesday, April 12th at 6pm, Dr. Meghan McCoy of the Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center will host a Zoom presentation for all Auburn parents and guardians focused on bullying and cyberbullying. At the conclusion of the presentation, there will be a question and answer session. In the coming weeks, students will have sessions on bullying and cyberbullying during the school day.

Jessie Harrington: Can you promote this on Facebook for parents?

Beth Chamberland: Yes.

BUSINESS/FINANCIAL REPORT:

Year to Date Budget Report

Mrs. Wirzbicki provided a year to date budget report dated March 27, 2023 for review.

Budget Transfers

Mrs. Wirzbicki provided a listing of Budget Transfers dated March 27, 2023, between the same series for information and between different series for approval.

Jessie Harrington entertained a motion to *approve the list of Transfers dated March 27, 2023, as presented by the Business Manager.*

Brooke Wrenn made a motion to *approve the list of Transfers dated March 27, 2023, as presented by the Business Manager.* Gail Holloway seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved.

Executive Session:

At 6:46pm Jessie Harrington entertained the motion to adjourn into executive session to discuss the bargaining position with non-union personnel that could be compromised if discussed in open session. We will not return to open session.

Gail Holloway made the motion to adjourn into executive session to discuss the bargaining position with non-union personnel that could be compromised if discussed in open session. We will not return to open session. Brooke Wrenn seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned into executive session at 6:46pm.

Roll Call Vote Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Mandy Williams

Recording Secretary

Referenced Documents:

Meeting Minutes for 3/15/23

Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Overview

Policy JF - School Admissions

Year to Date Budget Report Dated 3/27/23

Budget Transfers Dated 3/27/23

Approved 4-26-23