

APPROVED MAY 6, 2014

Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee

Meeting of April 1, 2014

Members Present: Richard Robinson, Chair
Dana White, Vice Chair
Shelley Poulsen
Michael Lee
Lauren Balk
Clare Graham

Also Present: Steve Bliss, Superintendent
Karen LeDuc, Assistant Superintendent
Christine Tague, Business Administrator
John Smith, Headmaster, DS Regional High School
Scott Kellett, Headmaster, DS Regional Middle School
Ann Dever-Keegan, Assistant Headmaster, DS Regional High School
Ms. McCabe and Ms. Handler, Student Council Representatives

1) Call to Order

Mr. Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm in the Middle School Library.

2) Community Comments – None

3) Reports

a) Student Council Report – Emme McCabe updated the Committee on the upcoming events for the high school student council. Rachel Handler updated the Committee on the upcoming events for the middle school student council.

b) Superintendent - Mr. Bliss

- MASS Academic Excellence Award - Mr. Bliss awarded the 2014 MASS Academic Excellence Award to Daniel Wood.
- Introduction DSHS Assistant Headmaster - Ms. Ann Dever-Keegan was introduced as the new DSHS Assistant Headmaster. She will begin work at DS on July 1, 2014.
- Donation Acceptance - anonymous donation of \$500

Mr. Robinson made a motion to accept a gift of \$500 from an anonymous donor to support SPAN-DS's Social Norming Campaign. Ms. White seconded.

14-26 VOTE: 6 - 0

- Special Education Reorganization - Mr. Bliss met with SEPAC on March 17th. The Administration is currently working on job descriptions for the High School and Middle School Team Chairs. There was discussion about specifics of the plan and concerns were addressed.

Ms. White made a motion to support the Special Education Reorganization Plan as presented. Mr. Lee seconded.

14-27 VOTE: 5 - 0 - 1 (Ms. Balk)

c) Assistant Superintendent - Dr. LeDuc updated the Committee on the work being done on Technology Integration, the Director of Technology Search Process, the International Foreign Students program (SEVIS), and Professional Development.

d) Business Manager

- Status of Appropriations - the initial review of operating results for FY14 indicates excess revenues of \$124,534 and potential expenditure turn backs of \$291,000.
- Facilities - The VCT flooring bid has been awarded to Enterprise Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$50,000. The WWTF failed the Biochemical Oxygen Demand effluent testing in the month of February. The extremely cold temperatures, coupled with the age and recent performance of two of the original post EQ tank pumps appear to be

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the root of the problem. The pumps cost \$1,000 each to replace and have been ordered.

- e) High School - Mr. Smith spoke of recent and upcoming events at the high school.
 - Donation Acceptance - The DS Gridiron Club has donated football uniforms at a value of approximately \$19,000.

Mr. Robinson made a motion to accept the donation of football uniforms from the DS Gridiron Club. Ms. White seconded.

14-28 VOTE: 6 - 0

- f) Middle School - Mr. Kellett spoke of recent and upcoming events at the middle school.

4) Special Items and New Business

- a) Town Meeting Preparation - The Committee discussed any necessary preparation for upcoming Town Meetings.

- b) SEPAC Delegate for 2014-15 - will be discussed in June

- c) School Year Calendar 2014-15 -

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the School Calendar for the 2014-15 school year. Ms. Poulsen seconded.

14-29 VOTE: 6 - 0

- d) Superintendent's Evaluation Update - materials are due to Mr. Robinson on April 14th.

- e) Composting/Recycling Efforts - a textile recycling bin is being added to the campus.

5) Approval of Minutes

- a) March 4 and 17, 2014

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes of March 4, 2014. Ms. Poulsen seconded.

14-30 VOTE: 6 - 0

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes of March 17, 2014. Ms. Graham seconded.

14-31 VOTE: 5 - 0 - 1 (Ms. Poulsen)

- b) The Sherborn School Committee minutes of February 11, 2014 and the Dover School Committee minutes of December 17, 2013 and January 21, 2014 were noted.

6) Routine Business

- a) Enrollments as of April 1, 2014

7) Adjournment at 8:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Davis