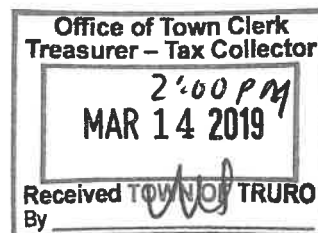


TRURO SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
March 19, 2019 5:15 PM
Truro Central School Media Center
AGENDA



Chair - Terri Humes
Vice Chair - Michelle Jarusiewicz
Tim Dickey
Secretary - Dennis Clark

Superintendent- Mike Gradone
Principal - Bob Beaudet
Director Special Ed.-Stephanie Costigan
Recorder - Kathleen Rosenkampff

1. Call to Order:
2. Approval of Minutes: February 26, 2019
3. Dates to Remember:

Mar. 22 - Farm to school pasta party
Mar. 25 - 29 6th gr. to Puerto Rico
Mar. 26 - nomination papers due
April 9 or 23 - School Committee?
April 15-19 - school vacation
April 30 - Town Meeting

4. Administrator's Report:

4.1 Superintendent/Mike Gradone - The Committee should evaluate the Superintendent this spring. We expect to have a three-year transportation agreement with the Collaborative ready for your review and approval in April. Discussions about our teachers' contract seniority language are necessary to clarify some teachers' status. Once we have an agreement, the proposed clarification will be presented for the Committee's ratification. We are moving ahead with bid specs for the gas conversion.

4.2 Principal/Bob Beaudet - Report card conferences and upcoming 6th grade trip to Puerto Rico.

4.3 Director Special Ed/Stephanie Costigan - Social Emotional Learning Update

5. Visitor/Faculty Statements:

6. Subcommittees: Policy should set a meeting date.

7. Unfinished Business:

8. New Business:

8.1 Tuition agreement with Nauset - We have reached an agreement with Nauset for the next five years. The 19-20 tuition will go up 3%, slightly less than was budgeted. The following three years will increase 2.5% each, and the final year will increase 3.5%. That year is one in which we project a decrease in enrollment, and can accommodate a greater increase in the tuition rate. The five-year total increase, 14%, is lower than the expiring agreement. No other terms of the agreement have been changed. A vote to approve this agreement is recommended.

8.2 Vote not to maintain grades 7 - 12 - A vote is required annually.

8.3 Consider reducing FY20 budget request - As reported last month, the Board of Selectmen has asked that the Committee determine whether the FY20 budget request might be reduced. We have found four accounts where reductions may be made without affecting the Central School program:

- The Collaborative's most recent quote for regular transportation service is \$9,409 less than we anticipated in November.
- We can reduce the cost of the annual audit \$2,000 by using the same firm the Town uses.
- The boiler conversion will eliminate the need for maintenance in FY20, saving \$5,000 (the equipment will be covered by the warranties).
- The lower rate for Nauset tuition, and an update of enrollment projections, allows a reduction of \$59,490.

Altogether, this would reduce the FY20 budget to \$5,965,297, a net savings of \$75,899. I recommend the Committee's approval of the new total.

8.4 Set fee for after-school program - After further discussion of the options as outlined last month, I recommend a fee of \$2 per day, with waivers available for any family on free or reduced-price lunch, or who otherwise justify a financial hardship. Mrs. Costigan's analysis was provided for last month's meeting, but will be available if needed. A vote is required.

9. Other:

10. Executive Session: none is anticipated.

11. Adjournment:

Town Clerk

Posted: March 14, 2019

The matters listed above are those reasonably anticipated by the chair that may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.