

Truro School Committee Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2020

Regular Session

Present: Kenneth Oxtoby, Michelle Jarusiewicz, Dennis Clark, Christine Roderick, Kolby Blehm

all members were in person

Absent:

Others: Michael Gradone, Stephanie Costigan, Kathleen Rosenkampff

1. Call to Order: Kenneth Oxtoby called the meeting to order at 5:16 PM.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Approval of minutes: Kolby Blehm moved to approve the minutes of October 27, 2020, second by Christine Roderick, vote 4 - 0 - 1. Michelle Jarusiewicz abstained. Kolby Blehm moved to approve the minutes of November 12, 2020, second by Michelle Jarusiewicz, vote 5 - 0.

4. Dates to Remember: TSC meetings December 3, and December 17. TSC Public Hearing January 7, 2021

5. Administrator's Report:

5.1 Superintendent: Mr. Gradone reported that the collaboration with the DPW in planning and helping to get TCS reopened has led to discussion of further collaboration. DPW Director Jarrod Cabral has presented a proposal to support TCS going forward. The proposal includes cleaning and sanitizing the school on weekends and ongoing maintenance of school grounds. Mr. Gradone and Jarrod Cabral discussed the proposal with the Select Board. The Select Board was unanimously supportive. Mr. Gradone will have a written proposal for the TSC members at the next TSC meeting. Any major project will be brought to the TSC for discussion.

The school custodial staff will continue to be supervised by the TCS Principal.

Going forward Mr. Gradone will report monthly to TSC members.

5.2 Acting Assistant Superintendent - Principal: Mrs. Costigan reported the TEEA and CPC parent groups have combined and are currently working as Truro Central School Family Group (TCSFG). The Parent group sponsored a Payomet Circus performance at the school. TCS has replaced the student water fountain with a touch-free automatic water refill machine. Report card conferences are currently being held. A group of TCS teachers will be presenting a two-day Professional Development seminar on systemic racism to be attended by all staff on November 23 and November 24.

5.3 Business Administrator: FY 21 update - Mrs. Harper gave all TSC members a current financial statement. Mrs. Harper reported the FY 21 budget is in good shape.

6. Subcommittees:

7. Unfinished Business:

7.1 Policies: Policies GCK (Professional Staff Assignments and Transfers), BDG (School Committee Review of Procedures), and JLCB (Immunization of Students) were presented for the third reading, Dennis Clark moved to adopt the policies as presented, second by Kolby Blehm, vote 5 - 0.

7.2 Capital Improvement Plan - Mr. Gradone presented a draft of FY 22 CIP with the information that the town might want to consolidate exterior work. Mr. Gradone recommends approving the FY 22 CIP as presented. Christine Roderick moved to approve the FY 22 CIP as presented, second by Michelle Jarusiewicz, vote 5 - 0.

7.3 Superintendent Search - Jim Hardy will provide the TSC with Superintendent search tools for the next TSC meeting. Mr. Gradone provided TSC members with a sample copy of a Superintendent search survey. Mr. Gradone will provide the TSC with updated and specific job descriptions for the positions of Superintendent, Principal, and Director of Student Services. The TSC discussed advertising for the position of a two day per week Superintendent.

7.4 Budget Transfers: Mrs. Harper gave the TSC members a list of line item transfers. Kolby Blehm moved to approve the line item transfers as presented, second by Christine Roderick, vote 5 - 0.

7.5 Continue Assistants to the Principal: The discussion was tabled to the next TSC meeting.

8: New Business

8.1 Accept donation: An anonymous donor has offered a nearly new Chromebook to TCS. Michelle Jarusiewicz moved to accept the donation, second by Kolby Blehm, vote 5 - 0.

9. Other: Kenneth Oxtoby has been appointed to the Walsh Property Committee.

10. Executive Session: ****To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining****

****Committee entered Executive Session at 6:23 PM, re-entered Regular Session at 6:43 PM, both by unanimous roll call votes****

No action was taken.

11. Adjournment: Dennis Clark presented a motion to adjourn, second by Kolby Blehm, vote 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 PM.

These minutes were approved by a vote of the Truro School Committee at their meeting on

December 3, 2020

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathleen Rose

Ken B Oxtoby
Truro School Committee Member

