

## Truro School Committee Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2022

Regular Session

**Present:** Kolby Blehm, Edwige Yingling, Rachel Rowland, Peter Cook  
**Absent:** Patrick Riley  
**Others:** Stephanie Costigan, Kathleen Rosenkampff

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1. Call to Order: Kolby Blehm called the meeting to order at 5:16 PM
2. Public Comment: No comment
3. Approval of Minutes: Peter Cook moved to approve the May 5, 2022 minutes, second by Rachel Rowland roll call vote, 5 - 0.

Edwige Yingling - yes  
Peter Cook - yes  
Rachel Rowland - yes  
Vida Richter - yes  
Kolby Blehm - yes

Peter Cook moved to approve the May 26, 2022 minutes, second by Rachel Rowland roll call vote, 5 - 0.

Edwige Yingling - yes  
Peter Cook - yes  
Rachel Rowland - yes  
Vida Richter - yes  
Kolby Blehm - yes

4. Dates to remember: TSC meetings, July 21 2022 and August 25, 2022.

### 5. Administrator's reports

5.1 Superintendent Costigan reported the Extended School Year program is all set with the program running for six weeks with 47 students participating. Ms. Costigan gave an update on the ESSER grants which are federal funds. ESSER 1 TCS granted \$20,393. which has been expended on Covid supplies. ESSER grant 2 TCS granted \$85,841. which has been used for a math coach, mini splits in all classrooms and mental health, with \$18,336. remaining. ESSER grant 3 TCS granted \$170,448. which has been used for a temporary medical assistamnt, and additional PK assistant and a part time custodian, with \$111,992. remaining. There are 19 students registered for PK in the 22-23 school year. 16 families asked for 5 full days, 7 are children of town employees, 9 are returning students with 1 school choice sibling. There will be a report on the PK program evaluation which has been completed and shared at the July TSC meeting.

Co-teaching - In September there will be 12 students in 4th grade and 16 students in 5th grade. Between the 2 grades 42% of the students receive Special Education services which is a high % for just 2 grades. The administration has decided to employ a co-teaching methodology with 4th grade

being taught by a regular education teacher and a special education teacher. The 5th grade classroom will be co - taught by Mr. Burns and Mr. Paul with support from a special education teacher. Information will be sent to families. On June 28 a co-teaching expert will do a half day presentation for all staff and then meet with the 4th and 5th grade teachers. In addition the expert will be in to do observations of the classrooms and to provide coaching. TCS will be participating in the MA School Wellness Coaching Program. This is a coaching program called Perfecting Policy. The goal is to assess and update the TCS Wellness Policy to ensure compliance with state and federal standards.

5.2 Principal report - Ms. Costigan reported on EOY events. The TCS spring concert was a success. The 3rd, 4th and 5th grades have been going on field trips. The group Hyannis Sound did a whole school performance. Grades K - 5 attended the Truro Farmers Market. Field Day has many family volunteers signed up to participate this year. 5th grade graduation is scheduled for June 23 at 6:00 PM. The last day of school for students is June 27. The School Council has reviewed the drafted School Improvement Plan with input from the Superintendent Entry Plan and will continue the work in September in tandem with the development of the Strategic Improvement Plan.

6. Subcommittees - Vision/Handbook committee is Edwige Yingling and Rachel Rowland.

Kolby Blehm attended the CC Collab. meeting where the focus was on gas prices and the coming school year.

7. New Business: Overview of School Committee goals process - Superintendent Costigan has been in touch with MASC Jim Hardy to schedule a workshop with TSC members which can include part of the goals process. Superintendent Costigan will provide a rough draft of goals for the July 21, TSC meeting based on feedback from the TSC Superintendent evaluation and updates of goals throughout the school year.

8. Unfinished Business: Update to Open Meeting Law complaints - The previous Open Meeting Law complaint filed in August 2021 was returned with no findings regarding the complaint. The suggestions from the Attorney General's office were the TSC agendas include explicit information on the public's ability to access the meeting and ensure votes are taken by roll call votes.

There has been another Open Meeting Law complaint filed regarding the posting of TSC minutes. Kolby Blehm read page 19 of the Open Meeting Law guidelines which states minutes requires public bodies to create and approve minutes in a timely manner. A timely manner is considered to be within the next 3 public body meetings or within 30 days of the date of the meeting, whichever is later. Edwige Yingling moved to have Kolby Blehm respond to the OML complaint, second by Vida Richter, roll call vote 5 - 0. Kolby Blehm will update the TSC at the July 21, 2022 TSC meeting.

Edwige Yingling - yes

Peter Cook - yes

Rachel Rowland - yes

Vida Richter - yes

Kolby Blehm - yes

9. Other: None

10. Executive Session: None

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11. Adjournment: Rachel Rowland moved to adjourn, second by Peter Cook roll call vote 5 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 PM.

Edwige Yingling - yes  
Peter Cook - yes  
Rachel Rowland - yes  
Vida Richter - yes  
Kolby Blehm - yes

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

July 21, 2022

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathleen Rosenoff

Rachel  
Truro School Committee Member

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