

Truro School Committee Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2023

Regular Session

Present: Vida Richter, Peter Cook, Kolby Blehm, Edwige Yingling (remote)

Absent:

Others: Stephanie Costigan, Patrick Riley, Jarrod Cabral, Beth Cook, Jenn Thomas, Kathleen Rosenkampff

1. Call to Order: Vida Richter called the meeting to order at 4:33 PM

2. Public Comment: Jenn Thomas gave feedback on agenda item 5.2, buddy teacher at TCS.

Kolby Blehm moved to approve moving 9.1 up on the agenda, second by Peter Cook, roll call vote 4 - 0.

Peter Cook - yes

Kolby Blehm - yes

Edwige Yingling - yes

Vida Richter - yes

9.1 DPW Director, Jarrod Cabral, reviews roof/HVAC improvements:

Funding was made available for engineering reviews for the roof and HVAC for FY23. Both were completed and resulted in the following scope of work.

HVAC:

Complete replacement of ventilation system

All associated controls and connections to the existing ventilation airflow system for areas serving the classrooms and the nurse's office will be replaced.

With limited space in the attic, the intent is to install the new components on the existing roof.

Ventilation ductwork runs, and exhaust ductwork would be run into the mechanical attic area, and the ductwork runs would be insulated.

Construction would include mechanical and electrical system modifications to support the new energy recovery equipment.

Mechanical heating and ventilation systems shall be specified for improving the ventilation airflow for building occupants in the classrooms and nurse's office to comply with applicable codes and regulations.

Roof Repairs for flat rubber roof:

This will not be an in-kind repair type of project.

Repairs will consist of removing and replacing larger portions of the flat rubber roof altogether.

The new roof will be constructed to support the new HVAC equipment.

3. Approval of Minutes: Peter Cook moved to approve the minutes of May 11, 2023, second by Kolby Blehm, roll call vote 4 - 0.

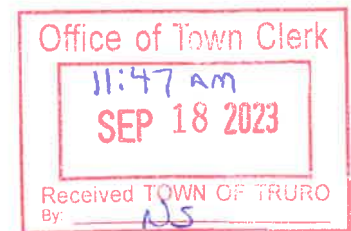
Peter Cook - yes

Kolby Blehm - yes

Edwige Yingling - yes

Vida Richter - yes

4. Dates to remember: TSC meetings are June 8, 2023, and June 20, 2023.



5. Administrator's Reports:

5.1 Superintendent: Superintendent Costigan gave a progress report on the Superintendent's 22 - 23 goals. The presentation included the actions, benchmarks/evidence, and timelines of the following goals.

- #1. Student learning Goal - Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging**
- #2. Professional Practice Goal - New Superintendent Induction Program**
- #3. District Improvement Goal - Community and Family Engagement**

The PowerPoint presentation is included with the minutes.

5.2 Principal's Report: Mr. Riley gave a presentation on PBIS which is Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports. At TCS, the focus is Safe, Respectable, and Responsible students. Mr. Riley explained Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 levels of support and gave examples of transitions and redirecting students school-wide through the school day. Mr. Riley went over the SEL program Second Step which is implemented in grades K - 5. A lengthy discussion ensued on what "take a break" and "buddy teacher" entails. TSC members and parent Jenn Thomas gave feedback on PBIS practiced at TCS.

Mr. Riley's packet is included with the minutes.

6. Subcommittees: Policies A and B - Peter Cook moved to table Policies A and B to the next TSC meeting for a vote, second by Kolby Blehm, roll call vote 4 - 0.

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

7. Unfinished Business: Strategy for District Improvement - There was a brief discussion on sustainability and the School Council's role in developing a plan.

Peter Cook moved to approve The TCS Strategy for District Improvement 2023 - 2028 as presented, second by Edwige Yingling, roll call vote 3 - 1.

Peter Cook - yes
Kolby Blehm - no
Edwige Yingling - yes
Vida Richter - yes

8. New Business -

8.1 - School Choice recommendations; Kolby Blehm moved to approve the school choice recommendations as presented, second by Peter Cook, roll call vote 4 - 0.

Kindergarten - 6 seats

Grade 1 - 9 seats
Grade 2 - 1 seat
Grade 3 - 8 seats
Grade 4 - 5 seats
Grade 5 - 6 seats
Grade 6 - 10 seats



9. Other:

9.1 Moved above

9.2 School Committee Seat Vacancy - The School Committee Vacancy is currently advertised and will be advertised for 30 days. Applicants will be interviewed at a joint meeting with the Select Board and the TSC. The Select Board Chair would like TSC members to each submit 1 to 2 questions.

Vida Richter asked committee members to submit questions to the TCS secretary to be compiled.

9.3 Comprehensive School Health Services Grant update - Beth Cook discussed the CSHS grant of \$33,000. awarded to TCS. The goal of the grant is to build on existing school infrastructure to provide all school age children access to a quality school health program managed by a qualified school nurse. The link to the presentation is below.

9.4 - Wellness Committee Update - TCS was selected to participate in the MASS Farm to School Institute. This is a learning opportunity for school teams across the Commonwealth to develop a sustainability program. This is an opportunity to develop goals and implementation plans to sustain the farm to school program. The link to the presentation is below.

[Mass Farm to School Institute](#)

[CSHS Grant](#)

10. Executive Session: None

11. Adjournment: Peter Cook moved to adjourn, second by Kolby Blehm roll call vote 3 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Peter Cook - yes

Kolby Blehm - yes

Edwige Yingling - remote connection canceled

Vida Richter - yes

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

June 8, 2023

Respectfully Submitted:


Truro School Committee Member