



Georgetown School Committee

Thursday, April 26, 2018 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 1 Library Street

Third Floor Meeting Room

Regular Session Minutes

Barbie Linares, Chairman
Pamela Lundquist, Vice Chairman
Michael Hinchliffe, Clerk
Cheryl Lachendro
Suzanne MacDonald

In Attendance:

Barbie Linares	Superintendent Jacobs	Collin MacDonald	Jack Tiano
Pamela Lundquist	Suzanne Sutherland	Liz Marchetti	Peter Lucia
Cheryl Lachendro	Margaret Maher	Sandra Schwarzkopf	Marianne Fravel

Chairman Linares called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Linares requested a moment of silence for Scott Erlandson, a Georgetown Public Schools student that passed away.

Consent Agenda

Included in the consent agenda are the Negotiation Subcommittee Session Minutes of March 29, 2018, Governance Subcommittee Session Minutes of April 10, 2018, Safety Subcommittee Session Minutes of April 12, 2018 and Acceptance of Warrants #44P18 and 43V18.

MOTION: Cheryl Lachendro (P. Lundquist second) to approve the consent agenda as presented. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

Document Referenced: Negotiation Subcommittee Session Minutes of March 29, 2018, Governance Subcommittee Session Minutes of April 10, 2018, Safety Subcommittee Session Minutes of April 12, 2018 and Acceptance of Warrants #44P18 and 43V18.

Student Representative

Chairman Linares introduced student representative Chloe Martens. Chloe announced that the Senior Showcase was scheduled to be today but since not enough seniors signed up, it has been moved to Friday, May 11th at 7:00 pm and has been opened up to all grades. The Junior/Senior Prom will be held Friday, May 18th at the Ipswich Country Club. Tickets will be going on sale beginning Monday, April 30th for \$65.00 per person. AP Testing will begin in 2 weeks. Chloe added that the Chorale concert will be on Thursday, May 10th.

Administrative Reports

MHS 1-1 Progress Report – Collin MacDonald

Chairman Linares introduced Director of Curriculum and Instruction Collin MacDonald who presented a progress report for the MHS 1-1 iPad initiative. He announced that a letter will be sent out to all GMHS parents and to the parents of 6th graders at Penn Brook, introducing them to the program and explaining their options for participation. In addition, this letter will explain to parents who they should contact if they should qualify for a scholarship. Mr. MacDonald stated that this will not be much different as last year’s roll out with the options that

we are offering, the price point that the iPad comes in, if they choose to lease from the school, and the company we are using to management payments. He also mentioned that he has met with the company's representative a couple of weeks ago to discuss fees and options. Last year we paid \$470 in fees since most families decided to purchase the iPad in 1 payment rather than use the payment options. Mr. MacDonald went on to explain the management app that is not only available to students who lease the iPad, but also to students who brought their own. This allows the district to control the apps the students are using and what they are accessing on the internet while in school for a small fee. The letter was sent on Monday to everyone, but incoming 7th and 9th grade parents have been asked to fill out a participation form to send it back. May 1st is the deadline for this to be completed and returned.

Document Referenced: iPad 1-1 Initiative Letter

Technology Integration Specialists – Liz Marchetti, Sandra Schwarzkopf & Marianne Fravel

Mr. MacDonald introduced Marianne Fravel, Liz Marchetti and Sandra Schwarzkopf, technology integration specials, who presented technology and makerspace at both the Penn Brook and the Middle High School.

Marianne Fravel began the presentation by explaining she works together with Michelle Rio and Georgianna Fazio librarians and media technologists at the Penn Brook to bring technology and makerspace to the students. Some of the projects they have worked on include the Robot Band, Deconstruction Station, Building Bridges, Ozobots (making instruments with art & music classes), global read aloud & making robots, Google Hangout with a class in Chicago and science volcanoes and egg drops, just to name a few.

Next to present were Liz Marchetti and Sandra Schwarzkopf, who spoke about the makerspace at the GMHS. Ms. Marchetti and Ms. Schwarzkopf went over several different projects they have worked on such as States of Matter Tic Tac Toe Maker Project and the Enlightenment Philosophers Blog Project. They also described forms of digital organization and classroom management, such as Schoology, Apple Classroom and Google Drive that is currently being used. Ms. Marchetti and Ms. Schwarzkopf also explained to the Committee various Professional Developments that are being conducted to support technology and makerspace.

Document Referenced: Technology Integration Power Point presentation

Superintendent's Information for the Committee

Financial Report

Line Item Transfers – Suzanne Sutherland

Finance & Operations Director Suzanne Sutherland reported that there is a need for several line item transfers.

MOTION: Pam Lundquist (C. Lachendro second) to approve Line Item Transfers #174-#225 dated 4/26/18 in the amount of \$136,794.93 presented. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

Document Referenced: Line Item Transfers spreadsheet #174-#225 dated 4/26/18 in the amount of \$136,794.93

Old Business

Superintendent Evaluation Process and Timeline

Chairman Linares announced that the Superintendent's evaluation binder is ready for review. It is currently being reviewed by Member Lundquist. Chairman Linares noted a change to the dates on the timeline.

Document Referenced: Superintendent Evaluation Process and Timeline and School Committee Self-Evaluation Form

New Business

Change in Meeting Time

Chairman Linares stated that at the School Committee meeting of April 12, 2018, it was mentioned that the School Committee members would like to consider the possibility of changing the meeting times from a 7:00 pm start time to 6:30 pm start time. After some discussion, Chairman Linares proposed voting on changing the start time for School Committee meetings from 7:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

MOTION: Pam Lundquist (C. Lachendro second) to approve the change in start time for School Committee meetings from 7:00 pm to 6:30 pm effective at the May 10, 2018 School Committee meeting. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

Acceptance of Donation for Gr 2 Field Trip – Georgetown PTA

Chairman Linares announced that the Georgetown PTA has made a donation to support the cost of the second grade field trip. This trip has been approved by Principal Margaret Maher.

MOTION: Pam Lundquist (C. Lachendro second) to accept the donation from the Georgetown PTA to offset the cost of the second grade field trip as presented. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

Chairman Linares announced the Georgetown Education Foundation Gala will be held on Friday May 4th, at Peirce Farm at Witch Hill in Topsfield. Tickets are available online at www.gef-kids.com.

MOTION: Cheryl Lachendro (P. Lundquist second) motion to adjourn at 8:20 PM. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Weiss, School Committee Secretary*