



Georgetown School Committee
Tuesday, March 12, 2019 6:30PM
Town Hall 3rd Floor Meeting Room
Regular Session Minutes

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

In Attendance:

Barbie Linares Superintendent Jacobs Margaret Maher
Suzanne MacDonald Suzanne Sutherland Dan Richards
Cheryl Lachendro Jack Tiano
Pamela Lundquist

Chairman Linares called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call To Order:

Barbie Linares - present
Michael Hinchliffe - present
Suzanne MacDonald - present
Cheryl Lachendro - present
Pamela Lundquist – not present

Consent Agenda:

Chairman Linares read the items included in the Consent Agenda for March 12, 2019 which were Regular Session Minutes of 2/26/19, Public Hearing Minutes of 2/26/19, Public Relations Subcommittee Minutes of 2/26/19, Negotiations Subcommittee Minutes of 2/6/19, and Acceptance of Warrants #36P19 and #37V19.

MOTION: Suzanne MacDonald (M. Hinchliffe second) to approve the consent agenda as presented. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

Documents Referenced: Regular Session Minutes of 2/26/19, Public Hearing Minutes of 2/26/19, Public Relations Subcommittee Minutes of 2/26/19, Negotiations Subcommittee Minutes of 2/6/19.

Student representative:

Chloe Martens, the student representative came before the committee to give an update on events at the high school. She mentioned that tryouts for spring sports has started. The induction ceremony for NHS will be at 6:00 pm tomorrow. The Credit for Life Fair will be held next Friday. There was a blood drive held last Friday which was very successful. The college board got moved to the front lobby area which is more visible for parents and visitors to the school. Different clubs and peer leaders have created signs that have been hung in the hallways around the school. These signs are in response to the recent incident at the school. They have a positive message and speak of acceptance and no hate. Principal Richards added that this is an ongoing project and any student is welcome to come to the main office to make a sign. All the materials will be provided by the school.

Audiences:

c) Other

- Winter Sports Report – Ryan Browner, Athletic Director

Athletic Director, Ryan Browner, came before the Committee to present the winter sports review. Mr. Browner announced that awards and recognition in boys basketball (11-11) went to Hunter Lane, Brendan Willis, Michael Lundquist and Arlen Winer. In girls basketball (2-18), awards and recognition were given to Lyla Krol, Zoe Rubino, and Lilly Dionne. The ski team led by first year coach Terry Hartford (10-4) recognized Brenna Slomsky, Lillian Fullford and Elizabeth Keenan. The wrestling team had a record of 16-5-2 and recognized Connor Young, Geno Tirone, Nick Frongillo and Matthew Mansfield. The winter cheer team did not compete in any competitions this winter. They recognized Christina Hardy, Cassandra Spencer and Destini Odle.

Document Referenced: 2018-2019 winter sports review.

Administrative Reports:

c) Department Reports

- Special Education at the MHS – A Day in the Life – Jack Tiano, Director of Student Services

Jack Tiano, Director of Student Services, came before the Committee to present A Day in the Life of a Middle School Special Education Student. Mr. Tiano's presentation explained the difficulties in being a MHS student. He then went on to discuss how many more challenges there are for special education students. He explained all the options and services that are provided to the special education students. He also explained that there is currently a committee that aligns the programs and develops a program description that includes mission, vision and values. Students are given morning routines, a personal developments class, academics and a thrive study skills class. Mr. Tiano also explained the Compass Program at both the Middle and High School. Students are offered study skills, social skills, life skills and school to career. Also, vocational training to help with cover letters and resume writing, financial management and budgeting and online banking. In addition, we offer a transition program for students returning to school after excessive absence. Mr. Tiano ended his presentation with explaining that they are continuing to move toward fully inclusive programming, further definition of district programs and individualizing services.

Document Referenced: A Day in the Life of a Middle School Special Education Student presentation

Financial Report:

a) 2nd Quarter Report – Suzanne Sutherland, Director of Finance

A few of the revolving accounts that usually trend toward ending the year in deficit are not tracking that way at this time. The challenge we face is that our special education lines are not in balance and we are still working at a deficit that will need to be closed by the end of the year. The report and summary that Ms. Sutherland discussed explained the financial status of the district at the end of the second quarter in the budget and the revolving accounts.

New Business:

a) Acceptance of Donation – Class of 2025 Fundraising Committee

The Class of 2025 Fundraising Committee would like to donate the funds to buy a screen to be installed to the Penn Brook School gymnasium. We are extremely grateful to the Class of 2025 Fundraising Committee for their generous donation.

MOTION: Michael Hinchliffe (S. MacDonald second) to accept the donation of \$1,315.00 to cover of the cost of the screen to be installed to the Penn Brook School gymnasium with gratitude. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

b) Acceptance of Donation for Grade 2 Field Trip – Georgetown PTA

The Georgetown PTA would like to donate \$821.42 for the Penn Brook 2nd grade field trip to the North Shore Music Theater.

MOTION: Suzanne MacDonald (C. Lachendro second) to accept the donation of \$821.42 from the Georgetown PTA for the Penn Brook Grade 2 field trip to the North Shore Music Theater, with gratitude. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

c) Declaration of Surplus – Athletic Banners

Athletic Director, Ryan Browner, has requested that the athletic banners that were found in the gymnasium be declared surplus. Ryan is planning to consolidate the information on these banners onto new ones and he would like to allow members of the community the chance to purchase them.

MOTION: Cheryl Lachendro (M. Hinchliffe second) to declare athletic banners found in the gymnasium as surplus as presented. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

d) Acceptance of Donation for GMHS Basketball Uniforms

Parent Peter Lucido has donated a check in the amount \$1,500.00 to pay the balance of the new basketball uniforms for the GMHS.

MOTION: Michael Hinchliffe (C. Lachendro second) to accept the donation of \$1,500.00 from Peter Lucido to pay the balance for the GMHS basketball team's new uniforms, with gratitude. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

MOTION: Michael Hinchliffe (C. Lachendro second) motion to adjourn at 8:36 PM. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Weiss, School Committee Secretary*