



Georgetown School Committee
Thursday, February 13, 2020 6:30PM
Town Hall 3rd Floor Meeting Room
Regular Session Minutes

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

In Attendance:

Michael Hinchliffe	Superintendent Jacobs	Dan Richards
Cheryl Lachendro	Suzanne Sutherland	Margaret Maher
Pam Lundquist	Jack Tiano	
	Collin MacDonald	

Vice Chair Hinchliffe called the meeting to order at 6:32PM. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Call To Order:

Barbie Linares - absent
Michael Hinchliffe - present
Suzanne MacDonald - absent
Cheryl Lachendro - present
Pamela Lundquist - present

2. Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Hinchliffe read the items included in the Consent Agenda for February 13, 2020 which were the Regular Session Minutes 1/23/20 and Budget Hearing Minutes of 1/6/2020.

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

3. Student rep:

Student Representative, Olivia Billington came before the Committee to give an update on the MHS. She announced that the students in the Drama Club will be attending Drama Fest on February 29th at Chelmsford High School. They are scheduled to perform at 9:30 am and will be performing “Our Place”. Tonight is the boys varsity basketball senior game and the girls varsity last basketball game will be at Hamilton Wenham. She also announced that the boys will be going to the tournament this year.

4. Audiences

a) Other

- Nicole Parker, Joseph Middlemiss Foundation

Nicole Parker came before the committee to ask for support. Ms. Parker is a Special Education teacher at Penn Brook and is running the Boston Marathon this year. She is running for Team Big Heart that funds will support the Joseph Middlemiss Foundation. They are trying to reach a fundraising goal of \$12,000, which she announced she is already halfway there. Ms. Parker explained that his foundation is in memory of a six year old and their mission to spread kindness and knowledge about his disease. Although he has passed away, his younger brother has been

diagnosed with the same disease and has since received a new heart. Ms. Parker is asking for a vote from the school committee that will allow her to spread this mission and share allow her to fundraise to the staff.

MOTION: Cheryl Lachendro (P. Lundquist second) to approve the request by Nicole Parker to share fundraising materials and solicit funds from colleagues in the district, as presented. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

7. Financial Report

a) Adoption of the Superintendent's Recommended FY21 School Budget

Vice Chair Hinchliffe mentioned that there has been a small change to the paraprofessional position that was listed in the initial budget presentation. This addition of a .4 para was not originally planned for and therefore, would require that the new teacher be hired at a lower salary scale which would result in the teacher having less experience. This addition would not impact any major changes in the bottom line. The Committee has had several weeks to review the budget and is prepared to vote. Vice Chair Hinchliffe added that the adopted budget will be presented to the FinCom on February 26th.

MOTION: Cheryl Lachendro (P. Lundquist second) to adopt the Superintendent's Recommended FY21 School Budget, as presented. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

9. Old Business

a) 2020-2021 School Calendar

Vote for the 2020-2021 School Calendar will be tabled until Chair Linares has time to discuss this calendar at the next School Committee meeting of March 12, 2020.

10. New Business

b) Whittier Regional Vocational School Committee Representative

Jo-Ann Testaverde has expressed an interest in continuing as the Whittier Regional Vocational School Committee Representative. The position has been advertised and there have been no other applicants.

MOTION: Pam Lundquist (C. Lachendro second) to approve Jo-Ann Testaverde as the Whittier Regional Vocational School Committee representative for Georgetown. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

MOTION: Pam Lundquist (C. Lachendro second) motion to adjourn at 6:49PM. So voted (3-0). Motion carried.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Weiss, School Committee Secretary*