

FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 8, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Kuechler, Mrs. Powers, Mrs. McKenna
Mr. Veitch, Mr. McNamara

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Monroe (prior notice)

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Baldwin, Mrs. Tavares

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OTHERS PRESENT: Alyssa Botelho, Student Advisory Representative, Kim Leblanc, FEA President, Tara Kohler and Family, Nicole Potter, Staff

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: McNamara, Powers, Veitch, McKenna, Kuechler

Motion was made by Mr. McNamara and seconded by Mr. Veitch to suspend the regular School Committee meeting and open the FY 2018 budget hearing. Voted 5-0 unanimously

Motion was made by Mrs. McKenna and seconded by Mr. Veitch to begin the FY 2018 budget hearing. Voted 5-0 unanimously

Mrs. Kuechler announced the open Public Hearing of the FY' 18 Budget. Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee that the proposed FY' 18 budget figure represented a 3.5% increase from the FY' 17 budget. The FY 2018 Preliminary Draft Figure presented to the Fairhaven School Committee was \$20,062,696.

Mrs. Kuechler invited the public to ask questions. There was no public comment.

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mrs. Powers to close the public hearing on the FY' 18 Budget. Voted 5-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mrs. McKenna to re-adjourn the regular School Committee meeting. Voted 5-0 unanimously

The meeting was reconvened by the Chair.

Roll Call: Mr. McNamara, Mrs. Powers, Mrs. McKenna, Mr. Veitch, Mrs. Kuechler

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mrs. McKenna to approve the February 8, 2017 regular session School Committee minutes. Voted 5-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. McNamara and seconded by Mr. Veitch to approve the February 8, 2017 executive session School Committee minutes. Voted 5-0 unanimously

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Alyssa Botelho, student representative informed the School Committee of recent and upcoming events taking place at FHS.

Mrs. Kuechler asked the School Committee to take the appointment of the Assistant Superintendent out of order. Motion made by Mrs. Powers and seconded by Mr. Veitch to appoint Mrs. Tara Kohler as the Assistant Superintendent for the Fairhaven Public Schools. Voted 5-0 unanimously

The School Committee received and placed on file the March 1st, 2017 monthly enrollment.

The School Committee received on first reading Policy IHAMB-Teaching about Alcohol, Tobacco and Drugs.

The School Committee received on first reading Policy JICH- Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drug Use by Students Prohibited.

The School Committee received on first reading the revised Exhibit-JICFA-E Hazing.

Dr. Baldwin gave the School Committee an update regarding the DESE Comprehensive District Review that recently took place.

The School Committee received on first reading the draft 2017-2018 School Calendar.

The next School Committee meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2017.

Motion made by Mr. McNamara and seconded by Mr. Veitch to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Fairhaven and the Fairhaven Public Schools. Voted 5-0 unanimously

The School Committee passed over the Town Meeting Articles agenda item.

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mr. McNamara to adjourn the regular School Committee meeting, go into executive session to discuss contractual issues and not return into regular session. Roll Call: McNamara-yes, Powers-yes, McKenna-yes, Veitch-yes, Kuechler-yes. Voted 5-0 unanimously

Adjourned 7:20p.m.

Robert Baldwin, Ed.D
Secretary to the School Committee
Fairhaven Public Schools