



Sutton School Committee

Sutton, Massachusetts 01590

The Sutton School Committee met in Room 1B of the Sutton Municipal Center on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2014.

School Committee Members present at the meeting were Liisa Locurto, Chair; Nate Jerome, Vice Chair; Jesse Limanek, Esquire (late arrival) and Paul Brennan.

School Committee Member absent from the meeting was Kristen Feifert Clark.

Administrators present at the meeting were Theodore Friend, Superintendent; Margo Austein, Assistant Superintendent and Director of Special Education and Student Services; and Justin Falvo, Teacher.

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

Ms. Locurto called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda 3 – Citizen Forum

No one present wished to speak.

Agenda Item 4 – Consent Agenda

Mr. Jerome moved, and Mr. Brennan seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Carried 3-0

Agenda Item 5 – Approval of High School Band Field Trip

Mr. Brennan moved, and Mr. Jerome seconded, to approve the High School Band's Field Trip as presented.

Carried 3-0

Agenda Item 6 – Purchase of Replacement Bus

Mr. Jerome moved, and Mr. Brennan seconded, to approve the purchase of a replacement bus as presented.

Carried 3-0

Agenda Item 7 – Discuss Strategic Plan

Mrs. Austein reviewed the updated Strategic Plan.

(Mr. Limanek entered at 7:24 p.m.)

Agenda Item 8 – Present Fee Structure for Use of New Auditorium

Mr. Friend discussed the fee structure for use of the school facilities, including the new auditorium.

Agenda Item 9 – Discuss School Calendar Options

Possible options for the school calendar were discussed. It was decided that sample calendars would be presented as visuals at the next meeting for further discussion.

Agenda Item 10 – Superintendent’s Update

Mr. Friend advised that we had an increase in the Title 1 grant; he would like to hire a much needed instructional assistant for the Simonian Center for Early Learning (to support the loss of the RTI position). There is a need to make our part-time library assistant full time as our high school library is the “hub” of our school and populated with students. We would like to create a stipend position for someone to operate the complex lighting and sound systems of our new auditorium. Mr. Friend will be sending monthly FAQs to parents to provide information on different topics. The first Alert Now message regarding the updated Strategic Plan will be sent on October 1st. The Sutton Education Foundation Trust is holding a Beer & Wine Tasting Fundraiser on October 11th. Tickets are \$25 (in advance)/\$30 (at the door). All proceeds provide grants for innovative programs. Mr. Friend reviewed his goals.

Mr. Brennan moved, and Mr. Jerome seconded, to approve hiring an instructional assistant and making the library assistant position full time as presented.

Carried 4-0

Agenda Item 11 – New Business/Agenda Items/Action Items

Mr. Limanek attended a MMSI presentation. The presentation was phenomenal and the students seemed to appreciate the program. The Selectmen are having a meeting with the builder tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. to provide an update.

Agenda Item 12 – Adjournment

At 8:10 p.m., Mr. Brennan moved, and Mr. Limanek seconded, to adjourn.

Carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Guillen
Recording Secretary