



Sutton School Committee

Sutton, Massachusetts 01590

The Sutton School Committee met in the Wally Johnson Room of the Sutton Municipal Center on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017.

School Committee Members present at the meeting were Nate Jerome, Chair; Paul Brennan, Vice Chair; Bruce Edwards, Secretary; Peter Tufts; and Kristen Feifert Clark.

Administrators and Staff present at the meeting were Theodore Friend, Superintendent; Nancy Konisky, Business Manager; and Christina Tuomala, Athletic Director.

Student Representatives were not present at this meeting.

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Mr. Jerome called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item 4 – Citizen Form

Parents and students expressed that they would like the Sutton/Douglas football team to continue and that they would work on getting numbers to make this happen.

Agenda Item 4 – Consent Agenda

Mr. Brennan moved, and Ms. Feifert Clark seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Carried 5-0-0

Agenda Item 5 – 2016-2017 Superintendent's Scholar

Congratulations to Samantha Woolf who was this year's Superintendent's Scholar!

Agenda Item 6 – Student Update

As our student representatives were not available, Ray Nichols provided an update as follows: Girls Track had a very big win; AP mock exams went well; Student Council is working on March spirit week.

Agenda Item 7 – Fall Cheerleading

The Athletic Director discussed offering a Fall Cheer Program for the 2017-2018 school year.

Ms. Feifert Clark moved, and Mr. Edwards seconded, to approve the Fall Cheer Program for 2017-2018 as presented.

Carried 5-0-0

Agenda Item 8 – Purchase of Gym Mats

Mats currently being used by our indoor and outdoor high jump athletes are over 20 years old, deteriorating, and need to be replaced. Ms. Tuomala would like to use \$6,299 from the Athletic Revolving account to purchase 3 base mats, a top landing mat, 2 standards and 2 poles.

Mr. Edwards moved, and Ms. Feifert Clark seconded, to approve using \$6,299 from the Athletic Revolving account to purchase 3 base mats, a top landing mat, 2 standards and 2 poles as presented.

Carried 5-0-0

Agenda Item 9 – FY17 Budget Update

At this point in time, there is nothing new to report; everything is going along smoothly.

Agenda Item 10 – Approve Fuel Oil Bid

Ms. Konisky recommended that the FY2018 Fuel Oil Bid be awarded to Petroleum Traders.

Mr. Brennan moved, and Ms. Feifert Clark seconded, to approve the fuel oil bid for FY2018 be awarded to Petroleum Traders as recommended by the Business Manager.

Carried 5-0-0

Agenda Item 11 – 2017-2018 School Calendar

Three draft calendars were reviewed and discussed.

Agenda Item 12 – Update of Superintendent’s Goals

Mr. Friend provided an update of his goals, including a building by building update.

Agenda Item 13 – Superintendent’s Update

It is anticipated that there will be 115-120 students in Grade K next year, so in addition to hiring a teacher for Grade 4, we will also need to hire a teacher for Grade K. Contract negotiations with the Sutton Teachers Association (STA) began. A voice mail message will be sent to parents of children who have school lunch balances exceeding \$15.00, which shall advise them that effective February 13th, their child will be offered a cheese sandwich, fruit and milk for \$1.50 until the balance is paid. A general email will be sent to all parents attaching a copy of Sutton Public Schools’ Meal Charging Procedure. Technology funds may be utilized to build another computer lab in the Middle School so we can maximize computer space for testing and not have to shut down the library.

Agenda Item 14 – New Business/Agenda Items/Action Items

It was great to have an audience and discussion.

Agenda Item 15 – Adjournment to Executive Session

At 8:56 p.m., Mr. Brennan moved, and Kristen Feifert Clark seconded, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations and not reconvene in Open Session.

Mr. Tufts, Yes
Mr. Brennan, Yes
Mr. Jerome, Yes
Mr. Edwards, Yes
Ms. Feifert Clark, Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Guillen
Recording Secretary

Documents:

Agenda
Briefing Sheet
Minutes (01-23-17)
Bill Schedules (1-25-17; 01-26-17; 2-02-17)
FY17 Year-To-Date Budget Report
Memo re: FY18 Fuel Oil Bid
2017-2018 School Calendar (drafts)