

**WELLFLEET SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
MINUTES ~ Tuesday, April 8, 2014 ~ 4:30 PM  
Wellfleet Elementary School Staff Room

Members Present: *Chair*, Jan Plaue *Vice-Chair*, Betsy Pontius, Terri Frazier, Mort Inger, and Jill Putnam, Terri Frazier  
Administration Present: *Superintendent*: Dr. Hoffmann, *Director of Finance and Operations*: Giovanna Venditti  
*Principal*: Mary Beth Rodman Staff Present: Mr. Miller, Ms. Millette-Kelley, Mrs. Kocaba, Dr. Mack

**I. CALL TO ORDER/AGENDA CHANGES**

CTO at 4:30 PM by Chair, Jan Plaue. Jan removed Section 5, Food Service, from the agenda.

**II. CHAIR'S REPORT**

On behalf of the Committee, Jan thanked Terri Frazier for her wonderful years of service, extending to Terri an open invitation to return any time!

Jan suggests it would be a good idea for new School Committee Members to attend a Charting the Course workshop at Cape Cod Tech via MASC being it is conveniently available.

**III. MEMBERS SPEAK**

Members echoed Jan's sentiment to outgoing member, Terri Frazier, who has been on the Committee for four consecutive terms. Tonight is Terri's final meeting on the Committee.

**IV. CITIZENS SPEAK ~ None.**

**V. PRIORITY BUSINESS**

**A. Technology Presentation**

Kathleen Kocaba led members into her classroom where Title 1 Reading takes place. Kathleen, assisted by Marianne Millette-Kelley, showcased how students use iPads in class.

**B. Food Service Update**

Removed from this agenda under Call to Order/Agenda Changes.

**C. Administrators' Reports**

In addition to her written report, Mary Beth Rodman added that School Nurse, Claudia Cope-Crosen, received \$459.89 from the Jan Chase Rutz Grant to purchase materials for a gardening project at WES.

Jan asked who was teaching MCAS Academy to which Mary Beth replied: Dr. Cahill, Ms. Norton, Mrs. Ferri, and parent/teacher sub, Mrs. Annis.

Other written reports were acknowledged.

**D. FY14 Budget Update**

Mort Inger noticed and applauded the numbered budget pages! Giovanna Venditti reviewed the current budget and provided a handout of Mary Beth's End of Year Spending Plan.

**Betsy motioned and Mort seconded, to approve the End of Year Spending Plan as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.**

**E. Review School Improvement Plan**

The School Improvement Plan for 2014-2017 was presented by Mary Beth, highlighting the new and ongoing focuses under each of the three goals. **Betsy motioned and Jill seconded to adopt the School Improvement Plan as presented. The motion passed unanimously.** Jill Putnam closed this agenda item by applauding the Council's effort in presenting such a comprehensive, meaningful, well thought out document. It was suggested to include a Newsletter article to let families know the new SIP is posted online.

**F. Policy Discussion**

Betsy Pontius led the discussion on School Committee Policy #9326 Fundraising and #4213 School Committee-Staff Communication.

### **G. Coverage Plan for Town Meeting**

Jim Nowack will be present for questions regarding the Roof Project article. Dr. Hoffmann and Mary Beth will be present for questions regarding the Elementary School budget.

### **H. Survey Results**

Dr. Hoffmann provided two handouts with survey results data. It was decided to ask families how they interpreted the lowest rated questions.

### **I. Superintendent's Evaluation**

Dr. Hoffmann provided a handout, and the Summative Evaluation process was discussed.

## **VI. REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

### **A. Cape Cod Collaborative**

Jill said the next meeting is tomorrow night. The March 12 meeting included the following:

- the Articles of Agreement gleaned a 12 page document from DESE with their input
- Executive Director Evaluations will occur every two years
- The budget is under 3%
- Coordinator Program Review (CPR)
- Waypoint's alternative HS Academy had success with sampling a flipped schedule
- \$20,000 planning grant to develop a 4C's program for severely disabled 18-22 year olds.

**B. PTA** ~ Betsy said the next meeting is tonight. Board membership is on the agenda.

**C. School Council** (See School Improvement Plan above)

**D. Joint Meeting** ~ April 29, 2014

**E. Nauset Preschool Enrollment**

### **F. PreK Sub Committee**

Terri said a statement is forthcoming from Paul Pilcher (independent of this School Committee) which will note that the School Committee endorses the idea of a funded preschool voucher program.

**G. Wellfleet Elementary School Roof Project**

**H. Policy Subcommittee Update**

## **VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The last line of section III of the March 11, 2014 minutes, was amended to read... *“Terri shared that the rate of graduates who continue on to college has increased from 65% to 95% in the 15+ years that Mr. Conrad has been Principal at NRHS.”* **Mort motioned and Betsy seconded to approve the Mary 11, 2014 minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.**

## **VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The School Committee did not enter an Executive Session.

## **IX. PAYMENT OF BILLS**

## **X. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Ferro