



QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Committee Minutes
Thursday, June 8, 2017
Educational Support

PRESENT

Chair	Lee Wolanin	Member, Barre
Vice-Chair	Mark Brophy	Member, Barre
	Dr. Richard Allan	Member, Barre
	Debra Chamberlain	Member, Hubbardston
	David Deschamps	Member, Barre
	William Hansen	Member, Hubbardston
	Jason Leclair	Member, Hubbardston
	David Marsh	Member, Barre
	Walter Nutter	Member, Oakham
	Marcelino Sarabia	Member, Hardwick
	Geoffrey Spier	Member, Hardwick
	Peggy Thompson	Member, New Braintree
	Mark Wigler	Member, Hubbardston

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Maureen Marshall	Superintendent of Schools
Cheryl Duval	Director of Administrative Services
Sheila Muir	Assistant Superintendent
Townspeople	
Parents	
Press	

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Lee Wolanin. Mr. Kenan Young, Selectboard member from Hardwick, was introduced. Per protocol, Mr. Young was appointed by the five member towns to participate in the negotiation process.

2. REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to enter into executive session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and to ratify recent negotiations of three year contracts for AFSME Council 93 Local 2885 AFL-CIO Office Managers and Custodial/Maintenance Staff, Quabbin Regional Paraprofessionals Association, Quabbin Regional Teacher's Association, Quabbin Regional Secretarial Association and Quabbin Regional Food Service.

The Committee will return to open session.

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:49 p.m.

3. REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH POSSIBLE VOTE

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to accept the negotiations of a three year contract (7/1/17 – 6/30/20) as written for Quabbin Regional Food Service.

The motion passed by a unanimous hand vote. (includes vote of Kenan Young)

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to accept the negotiations of a three year contract (7/1/17 – 6/30/20) as written for AFSME Council 93 Local 2885 AFL-CIO Custodial/Maintenance Staff.

The motion passed by a hand vote of 13-1-0 with Mr. Leclair opposed. (includes vote of Kenan Young)

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to accept the negotiations of a three year contract (7/1/17 – 6/30/20) as written for AFSME Council 93 Local 2885 AFL-CIO Office Managers.

The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-1-1 with Mrs. Thompson abstaining and Mr. Leclair opposed. (includes vote of Kenan Young)

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to accept the negotiations of a three year contract (7/1/17 – 6/30/20) as written for the Quabbin Regional Paraprofessional Association.

The motion passed by a hand vote of 13-0-1 with Mr. Brophy abstaining. (includes vote of Kenan Young)

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to accept the negotiations of a three year contract (7/1/17 – 6/30/20) as written for Quabbin Regional Secretarial Association.

The motion passed by a unanimous hand vote. (includes vote by Kenan Young)

A motion was made by Mr. Brophy and seconded by Dr. Allan to accept the negotiations of a three year contract (7/1/17 – 6/30/20) as written for Quabbin Regional Teacher's Association.

The motion passed by a unanimous hand vote. (includes vote by Kenan Young)

4. REPORT AND DISCUSSION ON NEEDED REPAIRS AT OAKHAM CENTER SCHOOL

Dr. Marshall reported that the Oakham Center School is need of an asbestos abatement. When the building was built 46 years ago, asbestos tile was used in areas in the kitchen, cafeteria and 2 surrounding hallways. Inspection of this area is completed every 3 years. Upon last inspection, it was reported that there is continuing destruction, but no friability, and that, in the very near future, replacement would be required. A couple of months ago, the dishwasher leaked which caused the tiles to raise and come loose. Due to this, it is time to remediate before the tiles begin to break.

To begin the process of the asbestos abatement, there is a procurement process to go through. The town of Oakham does not have a Procurement Officer, and the Superintendent has offered to act as the town's Procurement Officer. The funds necessary to do this project will be voted on at the Oakham annual town meeting next week.

Dr. Marshall will hold a parent meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at the Oakham Center School to discuss the issue with parents. OCS students will be moved temporarily to the New Braintree Grade School. Pre-K and special programs will be moved to Ruggles Lane School. Some portions of the special education programs may remain at Ruggles Lane.

5. **BUDGET UPDATE**

Dr. Marshall met with representatives from the towns of Hardwick, Oakham, Barre & New Braintree on June 7th for a budget discussion and discussion of the current assessments. The towns relayed that they are unable to meet assessments as presented and were hoping the District could help with lowering assessments some way.

Discussion ensued that Budget Subcommittee and Plant and Facilities Subcommittee should meet to discuss reductions in the Capital Plan in an effort to reduce assessments for the member towns. The subcommittees will meet on Wednesday, June 14th at 6:00 p.m. with the full Committee meeting immediately thereafter at 7:00 p.m.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Dr. Allan and seconded by Mr. Brophy to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Bennett
Secretary