

**Minutes of the
Monson School Committee
Regular Business Meeting
Quarry Hill Community School – School Committee Meeting Room
July 11, 2018**

Present: Chair Jeffrey Lord; Vice Chair Patricia Oney; Secretary Michelle Heroux and Committee Member Emily Graves-Harrison

Also Present: Superintendent Cheryl Clarke and Recording Secretary Karen Methe

Note: This meeting was video-recorded.

Mr. Lord called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

Ms. Heroux read the Mission and Vision Statements.

Announcements:

The annual Athletic Boosters Golf Tournament Fundraiser, in memory of high school principal, Michael Kane, will be held again this year at the Quaboag Country Club. Mrs. Clarke will get specific information to Committee members and noted that it was included in the "*In the Loop*" weekly newsletter. She will also put it up on Facebook.

Minutes:

- **Motion by Ms. Oney to accept the June 13, 2018 Re-Organization/Business Meeting minutes as presented. (Second by Ms. Heroux)**
- **No discussion**
- **Motion carries 4-0**

Subcommittee and Liaison Reports:

Human Resources/Negotiations Subcommittee

Mr. Lord stated that the negotiations meetings for Units B, C, D and E continue.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Clarke thanked everyone that visited the district's table at Summerfest. Information for individual grade levels was available and a raffle was held for a free after-school MADE Program class.

Together, she and Ms. Morneau raised \$200 for the Special Olympics that the district is hosting on October 5, 2018.

The Extended School Year (ESY) Program for students requiring summer services began on July 9, 2018. Mrs. Clarke reported that she feels it the best one so far. She told Committee members that all new Special Education staff hired for next year have had the opportunity to interact with students this summer and Ms. Bernat and Ms. Morneau have been able to observe the interactions.

Mrs. Clarke mentioned that it has been a very busy July so far. She has had numerous meetings which included a home school parent and her daughter who showcased the wonderful work she's

done over the past year, a parent meeting regarding athletics, the My School Bucks on-line payment system for parents, as well as the on-going negotiations meetings.

Old Business:

Mr. Lord said that the Superintendent’s Summative Evaluation had been prepared by Ms. Oney, and he thanked her for compiling the information. All revisions that were voted on at the Working Meeting will be made to the draft document by Ms. Oney and distributed to Committee members. Mr. Lord thanked Mrs. Clarke for all of her hard work, noting it is visible and appreciated by members of the Committee.

Mrs. Clarke thanked everyone for the time, effort, thoughtfulness and comments put forth in examining all the evidence to develop the Summative Evaluation stating that it is a privilege to be here.

The district has collected \$1,556, to date, to host the October 5, 2018, Special Olympic Games. She expressed overwhelming gratitude to the Board of Selectmen (BOS) for allocating \$3,000 to this wonderful event. Mrs. Clarke thanked Mr. Lord for facilitating the donation from the BOS. Ms. Morneau has drafted a letter to solicit donations that has not gone out to local businesses yet, adding that the district is so close to meeting the goal of \$5,000. Any additional donations received over the \$5,000 goal will be earmarked for next year’s event.

New Business:

Mr. Lord explained that at least one new member of the Committee needs to take the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC), Charting the Course class. He will reach out to a representative at MASC to coordinate a Saturday date in the fall to hold the class, in district, for the entire Committee.

There was a brief discussion of attending the annual MASS/MASC conference in early November.

Public session:

Mr. Lord skipped over this Agenda item as there were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Review of Action Items:

Mr. Lord will contact MASC to obtain dates for the Charting the Course class.

Mrs. Methe will send all MASS/MASC Annual Conference information to Committee members.

Ms. Oney will revise the Summative Evaluation and send to Committee members.

- **Motion by Ms. Oney to move into Executive Session under M.G.L. Chapter 30A, §21a, Purpose #3, to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and litigation, including Unit A ongoing negotiations and subsequent negotiations with other units, not to return to Open Session. (Second by Ms. Heroux)**
- **No discussion**
- **Roll Call Vote**

Mr. Lord	Yes
Ms. Oney	Yes
Ms. Heroux	Yes
Ms. Graves-Harrison	Yes
- **Motion carries** **4-0**

Open session closed at 7:27 p.m.

Executive Session began at 7:36 p.m.

Documentation for this meeting:

Agenda-Regular Business Meeting

June 13, 2018-Re-Organization/Business Meeting Draft Minutes

Distributed at Meeting:

N/A

Approved by Committee:

Ms. Heroux, Secretary