

AMESBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 7, 2021

Present were Mayor Gove, Chair; Peter Hoyt, Mel Webster, Kate Currie, Abigail Jurist Levy, Maryann Welch, Elaine Bucher, Anna Bailey, and Superintendent Elizabeth McAndrews.

THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED UNDER THE ACT EXTENDING CERTAIN COVID-19 MEASURES ADOPTED DURING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY, SIGNED INTO LAW ON JUNE 16, 2021 BY GOVERNOR BAKER

A video recording of this meeting can be viewed here: <https://fb.watch/8-DJNiEvlh/>

- I. Call to Order/Moment of Silence/Mission Statement/Pledge of Allegiance (3:30)
- II. School Committee Recognitions (5:00) – The School Committee recognized the following accomplishments within the school community:
 1. Ms. Jennifer Donais – Air Force Association National Teacher of the Year - 3rd Place Winner
 2. Girls Softball Team – CAL Baker Champions, Division 3 N. Sectional Champions, State Finalists
 3. Boys Track Team – Indoor: CAL Baker Champions. Spring: Division 2 N. Sectional Champions
 4. Girls Basketball Team – CAL Baker Champions
 5. 2021 Retirees
- III. Comments by Visitors & Delegations (22:30)
 - Greg Noyes, 8 Clarks Rd – Mr. Noyes spoke about the need to start school council meetings and submit school improvement plans.
- IV. Communications & Reports (25:25)
 - a. Educational Leadership
 1. Superintendent McAndrews updated the committee on Covid-19/Masks, the Entry Plan, the Mascot Committee, Back to School, new hires, the 1:1 rollout, and AHS Principals. Questions and comments by the committee followed.
 2. Business Manager Joan Liporto provided a COVID money/Spending update to the committee followed by questions and comments.
 - b. Student Advisory Council – Ms. Anna Bailey provided an update to the committee on behalf of SAC.
 - c. Liaisons
 1. Ms. Pouliot provided an update to the committee on behalf of Amesbury SEPAC.
 2. Mr. Hoyt provided an update to the committee on behalf of the AES Building Committee.
 - d. Subcommittees
 1. Budget & Finance – Update from Mr. Webster
 2. Personnel – Update from Ms. Currie
 3. Buildings & Grounds – Update from Ms. Bucher
 4. Policy – Update from Ms. Currie

5. Teaching & Learning – Update from Ms. Welch
6. AES Implementation Committee – Update from Mr. Hoyt

E. Other: Mr. Hoyt requested a presentation from the new interventionists after the new year. Mr. Webster requested a meeting with the South Hampton School Committee.

V. New Business (1:42:00)

1. Policy EBCFA – Ms. Currie provided an overview to the committee on the proposed policy as a first reading.
2. Policy EEAA – Ms. Currie provided an overview to the committee on the proposed policy noting changes the subcommittee recommended.
Ms. Welch moved to waive 2nd reading of the policy and approve the policy as proposed, second by Mr. Hoyt. Vote: Passes unanimously.
3. Approval of Interim Assistant High School Principal Agreement – *Mr. Hoyt moved to approve, second by Ms. Bucher. Mr. Webster noted a change that needed to be made. Vote: Passes unanimously.*
4. I Amesbury 2030 Learning Element Discussion – The committee discussed if and what the District's role would be in the plan.

Ms. Currie moved to suspend policy BDE, second by Ms. Welch. Vote: Passes unanimously.

VI. Consent Agenda (1:59:35)

1. Warrants - August 26 \$150,367.88, September 9 \$332,189.38. *Ms. Welch moved to approve, second by Ms. Currie. Vote: Passes unanimously.*
2. Gift & Donations –
 - A. \$5,000 from Susan Pappalardo in memory of Tony Pappalardo, a former volunteer at CES. *Mr. Hoyt moved to approve, second by Ms. Bucher. Passes unanimously.*
 - B. \$250 from the Stone Ridge Properties Foundation for the Janet Brunault Memorial Fund. *Mr. Hoyt moved to approve, second by Ms. Bucher. Passes unanimously.*

Ms. Welch moved to adjourn, second by Ms. Bucher. Passes unanimously.