

**Marlborough Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Thursday, February 25, 2021 @ 6 pm**

Note: Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, attendees participated via Zoom

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Wesley Skorski, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm

BOE Members Present: Wesley Skorski, Ruth Kelly, Louise Concodello, Susan Stolfi, Patrick Pabouet, Logan Tyler, Michele Thomas, Judithe Kaplan and Priya Fitzgerald.

Administration Present: Dr. David Sklarz, Superintendent
Dan White, Principal
Kim Kelley, Assistant Principal

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Celebrations – Kim Kelley showed a video presentation on school happenings in February.

4. Public Comments – none

5. Additions to the Agenda – Dr. Sklarz asked to add to agenda item #8 'and receive capital improvement plan.

Michele Thomas moved to approve the addition as presented, seconded by Louise Concodello. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consent Agenda

6.1 Minutes of 1/28/21 regular business meeting and 2/11/21 special meeting

6.2 Personnel Actions – none

6.3 Reports – receive and file the following document: monthly enrollment report

6.4 Grants – none

Louise Concodello moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Ruth Kelly. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

7. Oral Reports

7.1 Advisory Groups –

- Operations, Wellness & Safety– Dan White – group has not met.

7.2 Subcommittees

- Operations, Wellness & Safety – Pat Pabouet – no report
- Policy Committee - Louise Concodello – no report
- Board of Finance Liaison - Louise Concodello – meeting on 2/10, discussed capital projects for the town and budget proposal process. BOE scheduled Tuesday night to present. RHAM budget is around 2.5% increase.
- .AHM – Sue Stolfi – met 2/3, two events planned; Hidden in Plain Sight on 3/11, and Cocoa with a Cop on 3/9. Both taking place remotely. All community members invited to attend.

- SAC Liaison – Logan Tyler – no report
- Regional Shared Services Study Group – Sue Stolfi – next meeting on March 31st

7.3 Chairperson

- Update on Superintendent Search Process – Wes Skorski stated they have signed a contract with JE Consulting. He will forward the survey questions proposed to the Board. Dr. Sklarz stated will need to figure out how to fund the consultant.
- Ruth Kelly reported there was an All Boards meeting on 2/25. First Selectman discussed chairs notifying him of people leaving Boards and he will then get in touch with the appropriate town committee to fill the vacancies. There may be a process in the Town Charter to follow. The First Selectman gave thanks to all Board members.

7.4 Superintendent and Administrative Team

- Update on Paraeducator/Custodian Negotiations–Dr. Sklarz has made contact with the union, but a meeting has not taken place yet.

8. Unfinished Business

- **Continue Review, Discussion and Take Possible Action Re: FY2021-22 Proposed Budget and Receive Capital Improvement Plan**
- Dr. Sklarz reviewed Enclosure 8.1 'Proposed Budget & Supplemental Budget. Reviewed and discussed in detail every line item in the budget. Highlights included; additional teachers to be prepared for COVID extension, Special Ed staff added, staff development, water system, magnet school kids decreased, and Chromebooks.
- Reviewed Capital Budget – the FOB and Exterior door system was postponed for safety while kids were in school. Oil pump improvement needed.

Wes Skorski moved that the Board approve a bottom line budget of \$7,931,361.00 for FY2021-22 to forward to the Marlborough Board of Finance for consideration, seconded by Louise Concodello. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Louise Concodello moved that the Board approve the Capital Improvement Plan of \$138,000, seconded by Sue Stolfi. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

9. New Business

- 9.1 Review February Financial Report – Dr. Sklarz reported there was no significant changes from last report. Deficit of \$2,286.10.

10. Public Comments - none

11. Communications

- 11.1 Staff Vacancy Summary – distributed

12. Future Meeting & Topics

- 12.1 BOE Budget Presentation to Board of Finance, Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 7:00pm
12.2 Policy subcommittee meeting, Thursday, March 25, 2021, 5:30pm.
12.3 Next regular business meeting, Thursday, March 25, 2021, 6:00pm

13. Adjournment

Sue Stolfi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:11p.m., seconded by Ruth Kelly. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.