

FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 6, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Veitch, Mr. McNamara, Mrs. McKenna
Mr. Monroe, Mrs. Kuechler, Mrs. Powers

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Baldwin, Mrs. Kohler

STAFF ABSENT: Mrs. Tavares

OTHERS PRESENT: Kimberly LeBlanc, FEA President, Nicole Potter, Director of Technology & Finance, Abigail Bernardo, Student Advisory Representative Mira Yin, Student Advisory Representative, Andrew Kulak, Fairhaven High School Principal, Nelson Bernardo, FHS Staff

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:30 p.m.

The Chair informed the audience that the meeting was being videotaped.

Roll Call: McNamara, Powers, Kuechler, Veitch, McKenna, Monroe

Motion made by Mrs. Kuechler and seconded by Mrs. McKenna to approve the February 6, 2019 regular session minutes. Voted 6-0 unanimously

There was no public comment.

Abigail Bernardo and Mira Yin informed the School Committee of recent and upcoming events taking place at FHS.

Mr. Monroe asked to take the vote for the FHS Robotics Club student travel to Worcester, MA out of order.

Motion made by Mr. McNamara and seconded by Mrs. Kuechler to approve the FHS robotics club student travel to Worcester, MA . Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mrs. Kuechler and seconded by Mrs. Powers to give the FHS robotics club preapproval to fundraise and organize a trip to the National Championship in Louisville, KY. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Dr. Baldwin reviewed with the School Committee the FPS March 1st monthly enrollment, the Acushnet enrollment and the GNBRVTHS enrollment. Discussion took place at meeting.

Dr. Baldwin gave the School Committee an update regarding net school spending.

Dr. Baldwin gave the School Committee an update regarding the FY 20 Budget process.

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Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee that the Town Administrator's recommended budget for the Fairhaven School Department is \$21,082,516. This figure is \$442,247.00 less than the School Committee budget request of \$21,524,763.

Dr. Baldwin reviewed with the School Committee the status of the submitted Capital Plan projects.

Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee that the FHS Dehumidification project was a FY'19 Capital Plan project which was budgeted at \$283,000. The lowest bidder came in at \$482,700. Dr. Baldwin stated that he submitted a placeholder article with the town for the FY'19 Capital Plan funding. As a result, the School Committee asked Dr. Baldwin to go back to the town to see if any additional funds were available to help cover the additional costs of the project.

Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee that he is waiting to hear back from the Community Preservation Committee regarding the FHS Wood Window Project.

Dr. Baldwin gave the School Committee an update regarding the Student Transportation Bid. Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee that the lone lowest bidder was Reliable Bus Lines, Inc.

Dr. Baldwin gave the School Committee an update regarding the strategic partnerships taking place.

The next School Committee meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2019.

Motion made by Mrs. Kuechler and seconded by Mr. Veitch to award the FPS Transportation Bid to Reliable Bus. Voted 6-0 unanimously

The School Committee received on first reading the 2019-2020 proposed school calendars.

Motion made by Mrs. Kuechler and seconded by Mrs. McKenna to adjourn the regular School Committee meeting. Roll Call: McNamara-yes, Powers-yes, Kuechler-yes, Veitch-yes, McKenna-yes, Monroe-yes. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Adjourned 8:26p.m.

Robert Baldwin, Ed.D
Secretary to the School Committee
Fairhaven Public Schools