

NEW SALEM/WENDELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2019
SWIFT RIVER SCHOOL

7:06 – Call to Order

Present: Johanna Bartlett, Carla Halpern, Barbara Doyle, Jack Radner, Carl Seppala, Karyn Briand, Beth Erviti, members; Bruce Turner, Director of Finance and Operations; Jennifer Haggerty, Superintendent; Kelley Sullivan, Principal (minutes)

Guests: Elizabeth Devlin

A. Public Hearing:

B. Warrants:

4044 - \$7,157.12, 8240 - \$85,261.08, 8241 - \$43,243.63, 8242 – \$49,312.41, 424 - \$70,740.94, 824 - \$25,721.51, 425 - \$71,000.34, 825 – \$25,707.64, 8250 – \$78,781.23, 4045 – \$12,274.76, 2811 - \$16,751.83, 4044 - \$7,157.12

C. Superintendent Report:

- Working with new principals
- Wrapping up fiscal year
- Ransomware in system – reached out to Suzor IT for support – restored to March – impacting functioning – Taking steps to make sure it doesn't happen again
- Home school discussion – Lawyer is concerned about home schoolers private information becoming public record and privy to the press
 - Carla – How do we review without seeing the packet
 - Jen – work with lawyer with procedures
 - Carla – more than one person should look at this – just the age and plan for the committee to review
 - Karen agreed
 - Carla – support the choices for families that home school. It's important to me to review the requests for home school and have my vote recorded
 - We will redact personal information on materials brought to the committee

D. Director of Finance and Operations

- A couple of interesting weeks due to Ransomware - \$7,500 to restore Budget Sense from March 8, 2019
- End of Year Transfers – recommendation “In light of the fact that the accounting system was incapacitated, I am asking the School Committee to approve the Director of Finance and Operation be allowed to make necessary budget transfers with the approval of the Superintendent and the School Committee Chair. All transfers will be reported on at the next regularly scheduled School Committee meeting.”

Carl moves to vote on the motion, seconded by Beth – AIF

- Purchase card – application – vote by the New Salem/Wendell School Committee for the fiscal responsibility of the card

Carla moves to approve the use of a purchase card managed by U28 for 1st year, seconded by Karyn – AIF

- MSBA meeting for Building Project for Swift River School contingent on debt exclusion override on August 21, 2019

E. Principal report

- Graduated 22 students
- Jennylou Powers received Community Action Award at the Talent Show
- Summer School starts July 8, 2019
- Summer work has started – ahead of schedule

F. Committee Reports

- a. Mahar Report:
 - i. (no report)
 - b. Collaborative for Education Services
 - i. (no report)
- B&P meeting – Brief meeting covered in Joint Supervisory Committee meeting
 - Joint Supervisory meeting –
 - Approved Purchase Card
 - Superintendent’s Evaluation
 - Warwick School – no decision on joining U28
 - Updates on all schools
 - JSC - Policy Sub-Committee – updating policies with Lauren Thomas Paquin – whatever is applicable

G. June Items

- a. Warrant Sub-Committee (Summer Signatures) – Karyn, Beth, Johanna; alt. Barbara or Elizabeth – every Thursday or Friday
- b. Policy Update and Review
 - Second reading, first vote on**
 - ADC – Tobacco Products on School Premises Prohibited
Carla moves to vote, Beth seconded – AIF
 - Second vote to delete**
 - ADA – Tobacco Products on School Premises Prohibited
Beth moves to vote, Jack seconded – 6 in favor (1 abstention)

H. Future Items

- a. Next meeting:
 - September 5, 2019

I. Approval of minutes from May 2, 2019 - Carla moves, Barbara seconded – AIF

J. Adjournment: Carla moves to adjourn, Beth seconded – 7:54