

AVON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

THE MISSION STATEMENT

To educate all students to be life-long learners and responsible citizens in global society.

MINUTES

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

January 23, 2017

Regular Meeting
Avon Middle High School Media Center

Monday Evening
7:00 p.m.

Avon School Committee:

Jeanne Martineau, Chair - Absent
Tracy Sheehan, Vice-Chair
Sharon Marble, Secretary
Anne Hagberg, Member
Rebecca Lundgren, Member

Student Advisory Committee:

Jodee Frias - absent, Andre Siqueira

Superintendent of Schools:

Paul A. Zinni

Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services:

Christine Godino

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Vice-chair called the Regular School Committee Meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

II. SIGNING OF WARRANT/PAYROLL

III. WELCOME TO VISITORS:

IV. FINANCIAL:

None at this time

V. STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

AMHS

- Drama Club @ Emerson Competition went well. Avon received 3 “outstanding actor awards”, a director's award, and compliments on the comedic content of the play.
- Student Council sponsored a “stress relief” activity after exams. 2 bus loads of students went to the roller skating park for 2hrs on Monday afternoon, after school.
- College night was informative. An admissions counselor from Stonehill College was present for questions.

BUTLER ELEMENTARY

- ASA, 1/20, Family Bingo was a huge success and a lot of fun. There were 100+ people.
- ASA 3/2, Adult Trivia Night, Avon VFW.
- Ms. Leaver, a 5th grade teacher will be organizing - a Geography Bee for grades 4-6.

VI. INFORMATION:

A. Principals report: Mr. Reynolds present to share updates for the Butler Elementary.

- Since this past summer, Mr. Reynolds has served as a DESE Principals Ambassador providing workshops for principal throughout the state on inclusive practices for all students.
- Technology – students are coding in grades K-6th.
- Thanks to the purchase of refurbished MAC books 10 computers are available in each classroom.
- Early literacy initiative: Focus K-2 continues to be implemented in grades K and 1. Visits from a number of school systems have come to Butler School to observe in these classrooms.
- Katie Frias and several co-workers heading up “small group” through Harvard Institute.
- Student Council is very active. They are doing lessons on safety topics and fundraising to help various community causes. The “school store cart” is also very popular.

B. Last review of the 2017-18 school calendar before a vote of approval.

C. Sharing the Boston Globe article on Project 351 which we participate in every year.

- D. DOE visit is coming April 25-27, 2017. There will be focus groups, observations, student/parent/admin/school committee interviews. A schedule will be given in advance.
- E. The Superintendent will prepare report for review to submit to the Board of Selectmen for inclusion in the Town Report.
- F. FYI: Superintendent will continue to serve on a National Special Education study group to Research future trends in special education.

VII. ACTION ITEMS: **(ANY VOTE UNANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR)**

- A. Upon the Superintendent's request to approve the Type 2 fundraiser "Trivia Night" at the Avon VFW; moved by Member Marble, seconded by Member Lundgren; Vote: Unanimous
- B. Upon the Superintendent's request to accept a donation of 12 basketballs to the Butler Elementary School; moved by Member Marble, seconded by Member Lundgren; Vote: Unanimous

VIII. OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Subcommittees
 - 1. Budget Subcommittee:
 - a. Budget FY17, FY18
 - 2. Personnel Subcommittee:
 - 3. Maintenance Subcommittee:
 - a. Capital Facilities Improvements
 - 4. Policy Subcommittee:
 - 5. Insurance Subcommittee:

IX. VOTE ON THE MINUTES OF:

- A. Upon the Chair's recommendation to waive the reading of the Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2017; moved by Member Marble, seconded by Member Lundgren; Vote: Unanimous

Upon the Chair's recommendation to accept the minutes of the Regular School Committee Meeting of January 9, 2017; moved by Member Marble, seconded by Member Lundgren; Vote: Unanimous

X. NEW BUSINESS:

XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- A. Policy Subcommittee Meeting, Tuesday, January 24, 2017, 5:30 pm, Supt. Conference Room
- B. School Committee & Board of Selectmen Joint Meeting, Thurs., Jan. 26, 2017, 6pm, AMHS
- C. Avon Special Town Meeting, Thurs., Jan. 26, 2017, 7pm, AMHS Auditorium
- D. Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, February 13, 2017, 7pm, AMHS Media Center
- E. Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, March 6, 2017, 7pm, AMHS Media Center
- F. Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, March 20, 2017, 7pm, AMHS Media Center
- G. Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, April 10, 2017, 7pm, AMHS Media Center
- H. Avon Annual Town Election, Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 7pm, Avon Town Hall
- I. Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, May 1, 2017, 7pm, AMHS Media Center
- J. Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 2, 2017, 7:30 pm, AMHS Auditorium

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Superintendent requests that the committee enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. The committee will not reconvene into open session.

Roll Call Vote: Member Sheehan, Aye; Member Hagberg, Aye; Member Marble, Aye; Member Lundgren, Aye.

XIII. ADJOURN:

7:35 pm moved by Member Marble, seconded by Member Lundgren; Vote: Unanimous