

AVON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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THE MISSION STATEMENT :

To educate all students to be lifelong learners and responsible citizens in a global society.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

March 2, 2020

Regular School Committee Meeting 7:00 P.M. AMHS Media Center

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AVON SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Tracey Sheehan, Chair
Anne Hagberg, Vice Chair-Absent
Sharon Marble, Secretary-Absent
Rebecca Lundgren, Member
Paul Chapman, Member

STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Mikayla von Ehrenkrook, Samantha Tracey

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Christine Godino

DIRECTOR OF PUPIL SERVICES:

Karen Romans-Absent

CALL TO ORDER BY THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: 7:07 pm

I. THE SIGNING OF WARRANT/PAYROLL:

II. STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Butler Elementary

- Celebration of the love of reading month with Read across America day. Additional activities included guest readers and a school wide love of reading bulletin board contest.
- ASA sponsoring the Spring Book Fair.

AMHS

- Congratulations to Jalen Louro and Kylie Mallett for being named Patriot Ledger's players of the week. Thank you to everyone who voted.

- Jessie Carson, competed at the Poetry Out Loud State's Semi-Finals. Out of the 17 students she was one of 5 students to advance to the State finals. Please cheer her on this Sunday at 9:30am at the Old South meeting house as she completes to be this year's Massachusetts' state champion.
- Avon Cheerleaders experienced working and cheering with the Wheaton College Cheer Team on 2/12.
- The NHS and NJHS hosted the 2nd term Honor Roll breakfast, there were 118 students in attendance. Conor LaHiff, Technology staff member was named term 2 staff member of the term award recipient on 2/13.
- On 2/14, the boys' basketball team hosted a dedication game for Isiah Brown-Hill. Special thanks for his family for their support this year for the basketball season.
- Upcoming events: March 4, a Germany trip meeting will be held in the AMHS library at 6pm, March 5, Winter Sports awards and 3rd term progress reports go live on the SchoolBrains' portal. March 11, School council meeting at 6pm followed by the Boosters have meeting a 6:30pm in the AMHS Library. Spring sports begin on 3/16.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

IV. FINANCIALS: None at this time

V. INFORMATION:

- A.** Superintendent's report: Information regarding the coronavirus can be found on the website. All precautions are in place and the risk is still very low. The Tier Focus Monitoring Review will be taking place on March 4 to review SPED data and Civil Rights. Butler Parking Lot: in the process of arranging a meeting with Mike Carter to hopefully finalize plans. All summer programs will be moved to AMHS to allow the start of the Parking Lot Project.
- B.** Projected enrollment: by the NESDC – over the next 10 years will increase Avon's student population by 125 students in grade k-8. This will call for renovations at the Butler and will require a look at CHOICE numbers.
- C.** Budget: Tracy Sheehan, Paul Chapman, Kathleen McDonald and Superintendent met with the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee on Saturday, 2/29. The Budget Subcommittee will meet prior to the regular school committee meeting to discuss the necessary \$200K cut to the budget.
- D.** Student Opportunity Act: Plan must be completed by April 1 and submitted to the state; two proposed positions in the plan. An ELL teacher as we have a high number and testing needs to be done yearly. School adjustment counselor is also a necessity especially in the Middle High School.
- E.** Music Program: Mr. Ellis is working to make a bridge with the Butler Elementary School students. He is hoping to start a "musical petting zoo" where the students can check out the available instruments, feel them, ask

questions. The goal is to pair the elementary student with a high school student to mentor the elementary students.

VI. ACTION ITEMS:

- A.** Upon the Superintendent's request to approve Butler Elementary Student Council's Family Game Night; moved by Member Lundgren, seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous
- B.** Upon the Superintendent's request to approve AMHS's Drama Club's fundraiser; moved by Member Lundgren, seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous
- C.** Upon the Superintendent's request to approve a donation from the Trustees of the John McElaney Scholarship fund to be used in the Library; moved by Member Lundgren, seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous
- D.** Upon the Superintendent's request to approve a donation from Abington Bank; moved by Member Lundgren, seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous

VII. OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Subcommittees**
 - 1. Budget Subcommittee: FY20, FY21
 - 2. Personnel Subcommittee:
 - a. Collective Bargaining Agreement between AEA and Avon School Committee
 - 3. Maintenance Subcommittee:
 - a. Capital Facilities Improvements: Butler Parking Lot Project
 - 4. Policy Subcommittee: Policy CBI Operations -Superintendent Evaluation
 - 5. Insurance Subcommittee:

XIII. VOTE ON THE MINUTES OF:

- A.** Upon the Superintendent's request to waive the reading of the Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2020; moved by Member Lundgren, seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous

Upon the Superintendent's request to accept the Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2020; moved by Member Lundgren, seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

X. UPCOMING MEETING

- A.** Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, March 16, 7pm AMHS Media Center
- B.** Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, April 6, 7pm AMHS Media Center
- C.** Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, April 27, 7pm AMHS Media Center
- D.** Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, May 4, 7pm AMHS Media Center
- E.** Avon Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 7:30 pm, AMHS Auditorium
- F.** Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, May 18, 2020, 7 pm, AMHS Media Center
- G.** Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, June 1, 2020, 7 pm, AMHS Media Center

H. Regular School Committee Meeting, Monday, June 15, 2020, 7pm, AMHS Media Center

XI.. Adjourn

Chair made a motion to adjourn @ 7:35 pm; moved by Member Lundgren,
seconded by Member Chapman; Vote: Unanimous

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