

**SCITUATE SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2013
TOWN HALL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER

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The School Committee Meeting was called to order by Chair Umbriano at 6:30 PM.

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Esposito to adjourn to Executive Session RIGL 42-46-5(a)2. The committee unanimously approved the motion.

The School Committee Meeting reconvened at 7:00 PM.

Present were Marylou Umbriano, Brian LaPlante, June Guglielmi, and Jean Esposito. Also present was Paul Lescault, Superintendent, Lawrence Filippelli, Assistant Superintendent.

Not present was Lillian Jean Delmonico.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Led by Chair Umbriano, all participated in a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Mrs. Guglielmi moved, seconded by Mrs. Esposito, to approve minutes of the Executive Session of June 4, 2013. The Committee unanimously agreed.

Mrs. Guglielmi moved, seconded by Mr. LaPlante, to approve minutes of the Regular Committee Meeting of June 4, 2013. The Committee unanimously agreed.

GENERAL FUND

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Mrs. Guglielmi moved, seconded by Mr. LaPlante, to approve The General Fund for month of July (2013-2014) in the amount of \$362,561.53. The Committee unanimously approved motion.

GRANT BILLS

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Mrs. Guglielmi moved, seconded by Mr. LaPlante, to approve Grant Bills for month of July in the amount of \$33,980.73. The Committee unanimously approved motion.

CORRESPONDENCE

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1. The following letters to the Superintendent were received requesting home schooling for the 2013-2014 school year:

Rhonda and Thomas Andrews for son Richard; John and Corinna Lotter for daughters Emily and Holly Lotter; Sarah Santaniello for daughter Molly.

2. An e-mail to the School Committee members from Nick and Ellen Russo requesting a change in the school calendar.

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1. Recommendation: Approve the requests, according to the policies and procedures established by RIDE and the school department.

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Guglielmi, to approve the requests according to policies and procedure established by RIDE and the school department. The committee unanimously approved the motion.

2. Recommendation: Take the letter under advisement.

Mr. LaPlante stated there is a lot of feedback of moving start date back to August as well as consolidating spring vacations.

Mrs. Guglielmi stated Foster-Glocester will start in August and also get out early. Mrs. Guglielmi stated the concern from teachers is that unless consolidating school vacations is a state-wide initiative, it will be difficult for teachers with children in other towns.

Dr. Lescault added that this also was addressed by the Superintendent's Association but to be successful it does need to happen across the state as many work in other towns as well. Each time it has been tried, it has failed.

Dr. Lescault added that an early start will not be possible this school year as that is an item which needs to be negotiated and contract negotiations are currently underway.

Mr. LaPlante stated if possible, it could be an agreed upon point soon and then rolled out.

Chair Umbriano stated seniors graduated so late and some missed college orientations because they were still in school.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE LIAISONS

BUDGET	Chair Umbriano stated nothing to report.
CURRICULUM	Mrs. Guglielmi stated nothing to report.
FOOD SERVICES AND HEALTH/WELNNESS NEGOTIATIONS	Chair Umbriano stated nothing to report. Mrs. Guglielmi stated negotiations with teachers are currently underway.
POLICY	Mrs. Delmonico stated nothing to report.
RIASC	Chair Umbriano stated nothing to report.
SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL EDUCATION	Chair Umbriano stated nothing to report. Mrs. Esposito stated nothing to report.
SCHOLARSHIP FUND	Mrs. Esposito stated nothing to report.
STRATEGIC PLANNING SCITUATE PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP	Mrs. Guglielmi stated nothing to report. Chair Umbriano stated nothing to report.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

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There is no unfinished business for the month of July.

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ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

**SUMMER
CURRICULUM WORK**

Over the summer, some teachers will be involved in the Rhode Island Writing Project Summer Institute. Additionally, some teachers doing curriculum work on common core in preparation for more intensive common core work throughout the next school year.

RTTT UPDATE

As Dr. Filippelli noted in previous reports, the district data training team is set for August training. Additionally, Dr. Filippelli made plans with representatives from RIDE for interim assessment training for next year and is awaiting more information from RIDE before he can plan out what PD will look like. However, there are teachers from each school who agreed to take part

in the interim assessment training. RIDE is using 'train the trainer model' as training funding has been cut back and their contract with Measured Progress for reviewing assessments has expired. In regards to teacher evaluations, all principals have completed the evaluations and submitted the final ratings to Dr. Filippelli who will upload them to RIDE prior to the 7/15 deadline.

Mrs. Esposito asked about summer intervention for those students who need additional assistance.

Dr. Filippelli will discuss with Dr. Sollitto and report back to the committee.

Mrs. Guglielmi indicated the summer program for those students needing NECAP assistance in Math is running because she personally knows a student who is in it.

BULLYING REPORT

Each school reported incidents of bullying for the time period spanning 2/1/2013 through 6/27/2013. At the MS/HS for all grades (6-12) there were 29 total incidents of bullying across 12 possible behavioral reporting fields on the sheet. This is a decrease of 7 total incidents from the same time last year where there were a total of 36 incidents reported at the middle/high school. Given that there are approximately 864 students at the MS/HS complex, 29 total reported bullying incidents is exceptionally low. At the elementary schools, there were no reported incidents at Hope Elementary School. There were two reported incidents at North Scituate Elementary School, and there was one reported incident at Clayville. In summary, it is clear that the reported incidents of bullying at the schools that subsequently resulted in disciplinary action remain minimal but all principals are aware of the seriousness of bullying and consequences it can have on students.

**MONTHLY
ACTIVITIES**

Committee members received copies of monthly activities.

**127-11
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**PROPOSED TRUCK
PURCHASE**

Dr. Lescault notified the committee on June 19 (Committee members received copies of original email), of proposal for the purchase of a replacement truck under "New Business." As noted in that email, the truck that needed to be replaced is 9 years old, has over 135,000 miles on it, needs between \$7,000-8,000 of work and has a severe rot area on the engine block, which calls into question how much longer the truck will last, even with repairs.

Mrs. Esposito asked about truck purchase in spring.

Dr. Lescault stated the trucks are used for plowing and salting which is considered extreme usage and therefore should be replaced at least every 6 years. As there are 3 vehicles, ideally one vehicle should be replaced every 2 years. However due to the budget freeze during the last 5 years, all major purchases were delayed.

CLASSIFICATIONS

Dr. Lescault stated classifications have been identified and Clayville is commended, High School is commended, Hope is leading, North Scituate is typical and Middle School is typical.

**MONTHLY
ACTIVITIES**

Committee members received copies of Dr. Lescault's monthly activities.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

127-12
There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

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1. Emergency Truck Purchase Recommendation: Approve the purchase of a new truck.

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Esposito to approve the purchase of a new truck. The committee unanimously approved the motion.

**RESIGNATIONS/
APPOINTMENTS/
REAPPOINTMENTS/
TRANSFERS/NON-
RENEWALS/LAYOFFS**

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Dr. Lescault recommended the following appointments for approval:

Lisa Theroux; .65 School Nurse Teacher, Clayville Elementary School; Lita Motroni; Yearbook Advisor, Scituate High School; Mike Nehring; High School Boys and Girls Cross Country Head Coach; Jessica Rego; High School Girls Volleyball Head Coach; Tim Brown; High School Boys Soccer Head Coach; Peter Ceprano; High School Boys Soccer Assistant Coach; Robert Parmenter; High School Girls Soccer Head Coach; Abbie Groves; High School Girls Soccer Assistant Coach; Richard Kanaczet; High School Girls Soccer Volunteer Coach; Mark Reed; High School Football Head Coach; Matthew Vieira; High School Football Assistant Coach; Carlo Catucci; High School Girls Tennis Head Coach; Patrick Morgan; Middle School Boys Soccer Head Coach; Stephanie Parker; Middle School Girls Soccer Head Coach; Jamie Grissom; 17 hour Paraprofessional, North Scituate Elementary School; Sandy Cannella; 19.5 hour Paraprofessional, North Scituate Elementary School; Brenda Walsh; 17 hour Paraprofessional, Scituate Middle/High School; Ann Baumlin; 17 hour Paraprofessional, Scituate Middle/High School; Kim Cavros; 11.5 hour Paraprofessional, Hope Elementary School; Lori Colucci; 19.92 hour Paraprofessional, Hope Elementary School

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Esposito to approve appointments transfers as set forth. The committee unanimously agreed.

Dr. Lescault recommended the following involuntary transfers for approval:
Janet Farrar; 1.0 Kindergarten Teacher, North Scituate Elementary School

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Esposito to approve involuntary transfers as set forth. The committee unanimously agreed.

Dr. Lescault recommended the following resignations for approval:
Sandra Perrotti; Paraprofessional, Scituate High School; Darryl Drake; Custodian, Scituate High School, effective 6/28/2013; Anne Pedro; National Honor Society Advisor, Scituate High School effective 9/1/2013; Christine Connell; RTI Coordinator, Scituate High School, effective 6/27/13

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Esposito to approve resignations as set forth. The committee unanimously agreed.

Dr. Lescault recommended the following ratification of appointments for approval:
Marissa Palumbo; 1.0 Grade 5 Teacher, Hope Elementary School; Jennifer Bromage; 1.0 Special Education Teacher, Scituate Middle School; Elizabeth Keough; 1.0 Special Education Teacher, Clayville Elementary School; Joanne Derosier; 1.0 Grade 6 Teacher of English / Language Arts and Social Studies, Scituate Middle School; Kristen Pontarelli; 1.0 Grade 5 Teacher, North Scituate Elementary School; Anita Hall; 1.0 Grade 6 Teacher of Science and Social Studies, Scituate Middle School

Mr. LaPlante moved, seconded by Mrs. Guglielmi to approve ratified appointments as set forth. The committee unanimously agreed.

127-15 COMMITTEE REMARKS

MRS. DELMONICO

Mrs. Delmonico was not in attendance.

MRS. GUGLIELMI

Mrs. Guglielmi stated nothing to report.

JEAN ESPOSITO

Mrs. Esposito stated nothing to report.

MR. LAPLANTE

Mr. LaPlante stated Craig Feeney passed away; Mr. Feeney was a great man.

CHAIR UMBRIANO

Chair Umbriano stated the August 6 school committee has been cancelled.

**DISCUSSION OF
FUTURE BUSINESS**

127-16

~~August 6 School Committee Meeting (Cancelled)~~

September 3 School Committee Meeting

October 1 School Committee Meeting

November 5 School Committee Meeting

December 3 School Committee Meeting **at Scituate High School (6:00 PM)**

ADJOURNMENT

127-17

Mrs. Guglielmi moved, seconded by Mr. LaPlante to adjourn meeting at 7:16 PM. The Committee unanimously approved the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Guglielmi, Clerk

Minutes prepared by Laura Field-Swallow, Recording Secretary. Neither the Clerk nor the Recording Secretary is the designated Public Records contact for the Scituate School Committee or Scituate School Department under the RI Access to Public Records Act ("APRA"). For all APRA inquiries, please contact the Superintendent's office.