

School Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 13, 2012
Public Session

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mrs. King, at 6:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilyn King, Chair; Angela Volpicelli, Clerk; David Croston; Michael Daly; Thomas Vadney

Also Present: Dr. Krizic, Superintendent; Jeffrey Schoonover, Interim Director of Instruction and Assessment; Patti Cofield, Administrative Assistant; and Joseph Quinn, Little Compton Liaison

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sylvia Wedge; and Jonathan Harris, Vice Chair (Resigned 11/7/12)

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **RECOGNITION**

- A. The PHS Girls' Varsity Tennis Team was recognized as the Division II State Champions.
- B. The outgoing School Committee Members were recognized for their years of dedicated service to the students and staff of the Portsmouth School Department (Marilyn King, Angela Volpicelli, Sylvia Wedge, Jonathan Harris, and Michael Daly).
- C. The School Committee signed a resolution to recognize and celebrate the American Education Week (November 12-16, 2012).

3. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** None

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

5. **SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATION**

- A. PMS Presentation: A presentation was given on the overall performance of Portsmouth Middle School and the initiatives developed to improve student achievement.
- B. PHS Course Proposals: Mr. Littlefield presented three course proposals for FY13 (AP Psychology, 11th-12th Grade Fitness Elective; Personal, Career, and Life-Management Planning).
- C. Current Status of Gate Receipt Funds: Dr. Krizic distributed information on the opening and ending balances for Gate Receipts, as well as requests made to expend money using Gate Receipt funds.

Dr. Krizic announced that the PHS Drama Club will be performing "Dracula" on November 15th, 16th, and 17th, at 7:00 PM, at PHS.

6. **APPROVAL OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ms. Volpicelli and was seconded by Mr. Croston to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2012, School Committee meeting as presented. So voted 5-0.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Appointment – EIS Teacher, .5 Time, Hathaway
- B. Appointment – EIS Teacher, .5 Time, Melville
- C. Coaching Appointments – PHS
- D. Resignation of Assistant Hockey Coach

A motion was made by Ms. Volpicelli and was seconded by Mr. Croston to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. So voted 5-0.

Dr. Krizic announced the appointment of Elizabeth Gill to the position of .5 EIS Teacher at Hathaway, and Ashley DEllena to the position of .5 EIS Teacher at Melville.

Dr. Krizic also announced the following PHS coaching appointments:

- Stephen Carter, Head Coach, Boys and Girls Swim Team
- Evan Denard, Assistant Coach, Boys and Girls Swim Team
- Briana Pacheco, Assistant Coach, Gymnastics
- Brittany Scurry, Assistant Coach, Girls Basketball

8. **BUSINESS AGENDA**

- A. Bid Award for Computer Equipment: Mr. Croston made a motion to approve the IT Department's recommendation to purchase 76 Dell computers for \$60,282.20. Seconded by Ms. Volpicelli. Discussion took place. Mr. Croston withdrew his original motion and made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$64,765.86 for the lease/purchase of 76 Dell computers per the recommendation of the IT Department. Seconded by Mr. Vadney. So voted 4-0-1. Mr. Daly abstained because he feels the next School Committee should be making the decision.

9. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Facilities: None
- B. Finance: None
- C. Health and Wellness: None

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D. Negotiations: None

E. Personnel: None

F. Policy: None

G. Portsmouth Joint Subcommittee on Fiscal Health: None

H. Technology: Mr. Vadney reported that a facility tour of PHS was held last week, and he recommended repeating it for the new School Committee members.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Ms. Volpicelli and was seconded by Mr. Daly to adjourn the meeting. So voted 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Patti Cofield
Recording Secretary for:

Angela Volpicelli, Clerk