

**SMITHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.
HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
MINUTES**

Members present: Mr. Sean Clough, Chair, Mrs. Kellie-Ann Heenan, Vice-Chair, Mrs. Virginia Harnois Secretary, Mrs. Rose Marie Cipriano, and Mr. Brent Barrows. Also present were: Mr. Robert O'Brien, Superintendent, Mrs. Bridget Morisseau, Assistant Superintendent, Kevin McAllister, Esq. School Committee/School Department Attorney. Ryan Strik, Student Representative to the School Committee. Mr. Clough called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Mr. Clough read the Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification, notified the public of the public comment sign-up sheet, and reminded the public to speak at the podium when addressing the Committee.
2. Mrs. Cipriano moved to approve Consent Agenda Items:
 - 2.1 Minutes of the June 1, 2015 School Committee Meeting
 - 2.2 Bills
 - A) Regular Bills
 - B) Prepaid Checks from June 1, 2015 through June 12, 2015.
 - 2.3 Appointments:
 - A) Fall Coaches, 2015-2016 School Year

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Co-Athletic Director	5565	Bruce Ewart
Co-Athletic Director	5849	Anthony Torregrossa
Football Coach	4071	Christopher Branch
Volunteer Assistant Football Coach	100	Brian Steere
Volunteer Assistant Football Coach	100	Michael Benedetti
Assistant Football Coach	2130	James Cook
Assistant Football Coach	2130	Anthony Sasso
Assistant Football Coach	2130	Michael Montella
Boys' Soccer Coach	3626	Stephen Votolato
Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach	1863	Mark Gilchrist
Volunteer Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach	100	Joseph Joyce
Girls' Soccer Coach	3726	Robert Squillante
Assistant Girls Soccer Coach	1863	Dominica Barsoian
Field Hockey Coach	3726	Danielle O'Neill
Assistant Field Hockey Coach	1863	Vicky Santos Silva
Boys' Cross Country Coach	2024	Joseph Bennett
Volunteer Assistant Cross Country Coach	100	Jeffrey Kurbec
Cheerleading Advisor	2399	Kara Martin
Girls' Tennis Coach	2130	Matt Pavao

Assistant Girls' Tennis Coach	1066	posted
Unified Volleyball Coach	SP OLYM	posted
Middle/High Schools Girls' Cross Country Co-Coach	2395	Bruce Ewart
Middle/High School Girls' Cross Country Co-Coach	2395	John Marchand
Middle School Boys' Soccer Coach	1806	Anthony Ward-Smith
Middle School Girls' Soccer Coach	1706	Kathleen McCurdy
Volunteer Assistant MS Girls' Soccer Coach	100	David Maggiacomo

B) Advisors, High School, 2015-2016 School Year

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Student Council – Co-Advisor	882	Elizabeth Russillo
Student Council – Co-Advisor	882	Kristine Sarro
Advisory Co-Coordinator	910	Kristine Sarro
Advisory Co-Coordinator	910	Elizabeth Russillo
Class of 2017 Co-Advisor	707	Adelio Cabral
Class of 2017 Co-Advisor	707	Heather Buckley
Class of 2016 Co-Advisor	707	Elizabeth Pimental
Class of 2016 Co-Advisor	707	Lisa Pereira
Class of 2019 Co-Advisor	1414	Posted
Class of 2018 Co-Advisor	471	David Thibodeau
Class of 2018 Co-Advisor	471	Derek Snow
Class of 2018 Co-Advisor	471	Steven Russillo
Band Director	2380	Kelly Chartier
Choral Director	2380	Katherine Young
Yearbook Co-Advisor	728	Kara Harrington
Yearbook Co-Advisor	728	Thomas Lynch
Newspaper Advisor	1289	Elizabeth Pimental
FBLA Advisor	1295	Ann Andrews
Nat. Honor Society Co-Advisor	593	Morgan Witman
Nat. Honor Society Co-Advisor	593	Karen DiSano
Science Olympiad Coach	1187	Kathleen Babcock
Academy of Finance Director	2142	Erica Valentine

C) Department Heads, High School, 2015-2016 School Year

<u>Department</u>	<u>Name</u>
Math	Adelio Cabral
Health/Physical Education	Mark Atkinson

Science	Elizabeth Russillo
Social Studies	Vin Zibelli
Unified Arts	Kristine Sarro
Guidance	Janet McGinnis
Business	Adam Spring
World Language	Lora Burgess
English	Kerissa Roderick
Special Education	
Detention Supervisor	Michael Twohey

Mrs. Harnois seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

3. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student representative Ryan Strik reported:

- SHS High School Graduation is Tuesday evening from 7-9 pm, with rehearsals scheduled for Monday and Tuesday morning. Immediately following the ceremony, the seniors will be taken to an undisclosed location for their post-grad celebration.
- Undergraduate exams are scheduled to begin June 17th - June 22nd.
- The girls track team achieved the state championship title.
- Last day of school is June 23rd.

4. Mr. O'Brien announced that Cynthia Ripley has been selected as Smithfield's 2016 Teacher of the year. Mrs. Ripley was present and the Committee congratulated and presented her with a teacher of the year plaque. Mr. O'Brien spoke highly about Mrs. Ripley's work ethic and read a few thoughts from the nomination letter that Ms. Beauvais and Mr. Hopkins had submitted.
5. Mrs. Harnois moved that Linda Murphy be appointed Assistant Principal at Smithfield High School. Mrs. Heenan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote. Mr. O'Brien told the Committee that 56 applicants applied for the position, and eighteen were interviewed by parents, teachers, students, the high school principal and assistant principal, Assistant Superintendent and Superintendent in the first round. He said six candidates went on to a second round of interviews with the interview committee, and three candidates were invited back to spend a half-day of interviews with parents, teachers, students and the leadership team at the high school. Two candidates went to a final round of interviews with the school committee. Linda Murphy was the top candidate. Ms. Murphy has been a math teacher for the past 12 years at Somerset Berkley Regional High School and served in various leadership roles during that time. Mrs. Murphy was present with her family members and the Committee congratulated her.
6. Mrs. Harnois moved that the revised medical and epipen policies and procedures be reviewed and approved. Mrs. Heenan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote. Mrs. Morisseau reviewed the changes that were made to the policies with the Committee, and answered questions the Committee had.
7. Mrs. Cipriano moved that the Committee approve the RFP for Chromebooks. Mr. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

8. Mrs. Cipriano moved that the Committee approve to go out for bid for Chromebooks pending Town Council approval and the appropriation of funding. Mrs. Harnois seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.
9. Mr. Barrows moved that the 2014-2015 Budget Line Item changes be approved. Mrs. Cipriano seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote. Mr. O'Brien answered questions that the Committee had.

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A) A copy of the sale of obsolete equipment.

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. O'Brien said although Mr. Barrette was not present for tonight's meeting, he wanted to congratulate him for being selected to participate in the CoSN (the Consortium for School Networking) Trusted Learning Environment (TLE) initiative. He said Mr. Barrette is one of only 25 individuals from around the country selected to participate. The TLE recognition will provide school system leaders with a way of communicating their privacy practices to parents and other stakeholders with the assurance that the school is adhering to best practices regarding the privacy of student data. Mr. O'Brien said Mr. Barrette will attend the conference in Washington, DC on July 22nd and 23rd.

12. PUBLIC FORUM

Parents from Raymond C. LaPerche Elementary School--Justine Sands, Dawn Maguire, Ross McCurdy, Paul Brown, Cori Healey and Aimee Tortolano were present and addressed the Committee with concerns of the possible elimination of a grade one classroom at LaPerche. Mr. O'Brien and Mrs. Morisseau addressed the concerns of the parents. Mr. O'Brien reviewed student enrollment numbers across the district, and said he is unsure if a grade one classroom at LaPerche will be eliminated, he is watching student enrollment numbers closely across the district and he would need to consider the needs of all of the elementary class loads.

13. COMMITTEE COMMENTS: Committee comment was made by Mrs. Cipriano and Mrs. Harnois.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (Closed) pursuant to RI General Laws Section 42-46-5(a):

At 8:15 p.m., Mr. Barrows moved to convene into Executive Session to session to discuss matters pertaining to Collective bargaining (negotiations) in accordance with the Open Meeting Act, RI General Laws 42-46-5(a)2. Mrs. Cipriano seconded the motion. This requires an individual vote. The individual vote was 5-0 polled by Mr. Clough, Chair.

Returned to open session at 9:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn executive session made by Mrs. Cipriano; Mrs. Harnois seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Mrs. Cipriano moved to seal the minutes of the Executive Session. Mrs. Harnois seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Cipriano; seconded by Mrs. Harnois. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Petrone
Secretary