

**SMITHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 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, Mr. Craig Levis, Director of Special Education, Mrs. Lisa Cournoyer, Director of Financial Operations, Ben Scungio, Esq. School Committee/School Department Attorney, Absent: 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 September 21, 2015 School Committee Meeting
 - 2.2 Bills
 - A) Regular Bill invoices totaling \$106,158.80
 - B) Prepaid Checks from September 21, 2015 through October 2, 2015 totaling \$56,237.85
 - 2.3 Appointments
 - A) Bethany Giarrusso, Paraprofessional, Raymond C. LaPerche Elementary, effective October 7, 2015 for the 2015-2016 School Year.
 - 2.4 Homeschooling:

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Parent(s) or Guardian</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Abigail Martineau	Mr. & Mrs. Norman Martineau	SHS	11
Aaralyn Hubbell	Mr. & Mrs. Nathanael Hubbell	Winsor	1

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

3. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

A high school representative was not present at the meeting.

4. Mrs. Harnois moved that the RFP for security cameras for the middle school be approved. Mrs. Heenan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.
5. Mrs. Cipriano moved that the RFP for the high school track repairs be approved. Mr. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote. Mr. O'Brien told the Committee that the authorization of the RFP for the high school track repairs will be on the town council's agenda tomorrow night. Mr. Mencucci was present to answer questions that the Committee had. He said to avoid the interruption of this year's spring sporting events, the project will be set to begin after this spring sports season. He said if all goes well, the project will be completed in time for next school year.

6. Mrs. Cipriano moved that the annual school committee calendar for 2016 be approved. Mrs. Heenan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote. There were no changes to the proposed calendar.
7. Mrs. Harnois moved that the Paraprofessional/Secretarial contract be approved. Mrs. Cipriano seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote. Mr. O'Brien told the Committee that the paraprofessionals and secretaries in the district do an outstanding job working with the students and deserve a raise. Pat Amore, the union representative for paraprofessionals and secretaries was present, and Committee members thanked her for a positive experience with the negotiations. The fiscal impact statement that was given to the Committee with the cost over the three years will be posted on the district's website.
8. **COMMUNICATIONS:** None.
9. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**
Mr. O'Brien shared a copy of the district's Annual Report for 2014-2015 and thanked everyone involved in developing the report. He told the Committee that one of our Strategic Plan goals is to increase communication, and he hopes that the Annual Report will help to increase communication with the community. The report will be emailed to parents and staff, and distributed throughout the community. The Observer will also be doing a story on the Annual Report.
10. **PUBLIC FORUM:** None.
11. **COMMITTEE COMMENTS:** Committee comment was made by Mrs. Harnois and Mrs. Cipriano.
12. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Petrone
Secretary