

Vice Chair, S. Reed, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Roberta G. Doering School auditorium.

Present: A. Bonavita, B. Burbank, D. Juzba, C. Mineo, & W. Rua
S. Lemanski, A. LeClair, R. Clickstein, & student representative Honesty Osbourne

Absent: R. Cohen

During Citizen's Speak Time, no one from the public came forward.

Under Highlights on Education, Opioid Grant writer, Teresa Urbinati, provided the Committee with an update regarding the status of the grant, which included the following information:

- Goal
- Objectives
- Outcomes
- 2-year grant
- Botvin Life Skills Program
- Parent Program
- Life Skills curriculum taught to students in grades 6, 7, & 8
- Sessions are 45 minutes per week
- One out of three Hampden County districts were awarded the Opioid Grant
- District received approximately \$20,000.00
- Five people die each day in Mass. due to opioid overdose
- Implementing Botvin Life Skills program this year

At the conclusion of her report, the Committee thanked Mrs. Urbinati for her dedication and hard work in securing the Opioid Grant and for overseeing the implementation of the Botvin Life Skills Program for the welfare of our students.

Under Superintendent's Notes, Mr. Lemanski reported on the following items:

- Congratulations to AHS junior Angela Garvin, who won the *2017 Western Mass. Girls Golf Title*. Also congratulations to junior Alia Godek who placed 3rd in the prestigious tournament which took place at Elmcrest Country Club.
- Attendance with Safety & Security Supervisor, John Nettis, at the *Family Reunification Training*, which will be held at Springfield College on October 25th. The event is sponsored by the Western Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council.
- Attendance at the *Annual Joint MASC/MASS Conference* in Hyannis from November 1st to November 3rd. Mrs. Rua and Mr. Burbank will also be in attendance.
- Announcement that Rosie Robotics will host its *World Famous Ziti Dinner* on November 3rd from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Congregational Church. Tickets are \$8.00 and can be purchased at the door.
- Reminder that schools will be closed for students on November 7th in observance of *Election Day*. Staff will participate in a full day of professional development.
- Announcement that the AHS Drama Club will perform the play, "*Into the Twilight Zone*," on November 8th and November 9th. The play is open to the public with general admission of \$5.00 and \$3.00 for students and seniors.
- Reminder that schools will be closed on November 10th in observance of *Veteran's Day*. Schools will reopen on Monday, November 13th.
- Announcement that the *Fall Band Concert* will take place on November 15th from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.
- Reminder that the next DWST meeting will take place on November 17th, at 7:30 a.m. in the high school cafeteria.
- Announcement that Doering School students will once again participate in the *Take a Veteran to School Day* on Thursday, November 9th.

Under Student Advisory Committee Representative Update, Honesty reported on the following events and activities taking place at AHS:

- 10th & 11th grade students recently took the PSATs
- 9th graders participated in a team building and anti-bullying activity, as well as technology awareness
- Teachers will participate in ALICE Training on October 26th

- Child Development classes are planning their Annual Kid Party
- Career Clusters will be ongoing each month
- The Drama Club will perform on November 8th and 9th
- The Golf Team finished in 1st place in their league and in 2nd place in all of Western Mass. They will advance to the state finals next.
- Students are looking forward to the Annual Pep Rally on November 22nd

Under Unfinished Business, the only item was SCR-17-18, *MASC Resolutions*. Mrs. Ferioli read the following resolutions and the Committee voted on each one as follows:

- Resolution #1 – *Movement of the Chapter 70 Funding Enrollment Date to March 15th*
On a motion made by A. Bonavita, 2nd by D. Juzba, the Committee voted to support Resolution #1.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

- Resolution #2 – *Reform of Circuit Breaker Funding*
On a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by B. Burbank, the Committee voted to support Resolution #2.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

- Resolution #3 – *Litigation for Fair School Finance*
On a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to support Resolution #3.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

- Resolution #4 – *Privatization of Public Education and the Oversight of Public Schools, Including Small and Regional Districts*
On a motion made by C. Mineo, 2nd by D. Juzba, the Committee voted to support Resolution #4.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

- Resolution #5 – *Use of Federal Funds*
On a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by B. Burbank, the Committee voted to support Resolution #5.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

- Resolution #6 – *Foundation Budget*
On a motion made by B. Burbank, 2nd by D. Juzba, the Committee voted to support Resolution #6.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

- Resolution #7 – *Affordable Care Act and Medicaid*
On a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by A. Bonavita, the Committee voted to support Resolution #7.
Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Under Business Meeting, on a motion made by C. Mineo, 2nd by B. Burbank, the Committee voted to approve the September 26, 2017, regular meeting and October 17, 2017 Workshop minutes.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Under Correspondence, D. Juzba had nothing to report.

Next, on a motion made by A. Bonavita, 2nd by B. Burbank, the Committee, via roll call, voted to approve the following warrants as read: SW-18-22 in the amount of \$31,824.95; SW-18-24 in the amount of \$12,928.61; SW-18-25 in the amount of \$67,135.95; SW-18-26 in the amount of \$8,347.35; SW-18-27 in the amount of \$93,442.56; SW-18-28 in the amount of \$42,501.02; SW-18-29 in the amount of \$8,629.21; SW-18-30 in the amount of \$23,570.15; SW-18-31 in the amount of \$5,168.66; SW-18-32 in the amount of \$15,405.06; SW-18-33 in the amount of \$72,292.93; and SW-18-34 in the amount of \$243,394.95.

Also approved was payroll warrant PW-17-15 in the amount of \$2,956,082.43.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Under Reports, S. Reed said the Committee should have received four paper reports in their packet of materials regarding Personnel, Finance, Student/Teacher Enrollment, and High School Course Elimination.

Next, Mr. Lemanski reviewed the *2017 – 2018 School Year Priorities* with the Committee. During his report, he noted that some of the priorities have been realized, whereas other are either on-going or being implemented for the first time this year. At the conclusion of his presentation, the Committee thanked Mr. Lemanski for creating an ambitious and worthwhile agenda of initiatives for the district.

Under Subcommittee Updates, no reports were provided.

Under New Business, SCR-17-19, *Approval of AJHS PTO Scholarship*, and SCR-17-20, *Approval of \$2,500 in School Supplies from the Dixon Ticonderoga Co. to James Clark School*, were moved to the next meeting where they will appear under Unfinished Business.

Under Policy Review, on a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by B. Burbank & W. Rua, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy ADC, *Tobacco Products on School Premises Prohibited*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Next, on a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy FA, *Facilities Development Goals*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Then, on a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy FF, *Naming New Facilities*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Next, on a motion made by B. Burbank, 2nd by D. Juzba, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy GBED, *Tobacco Use on School Property by Staff Members Prohibited*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Then, on a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy BBA, *School Committee Powers & Duties*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Next, on a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy BBBA/BBBB, *School Committee Member Qualifications/Oath of Office*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Then, on a motion made by B. Burbank, 2nd by C. Mineo, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy CBD, *Superintendent's Contract*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Next, on a motion made by A. Bonavita, 2nd by D. Juzba, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy CE, *Administrative Councils, Cabinets, & Committees*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Next, on a motion made by B. Burbank, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to approve the 2nd & 3rd readings of Policy GBEA-1, *Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest*.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Next, Mrs. Ferioli read Policy AB-1, *School District Traditions & Rituals*, into the record.

Items: C. Mineo wished his colleagues good luck in their bid for re-election to the School Committee on November 7th. He also urged all residents to vote. A. Bonavita echoed Mr. Mineo's sentiment and asked everyone to vote on November 7th. D. Juzba wished her colleagues good luck on November 7th, noting she is not seeking re-election. She also wished good luck to the three new candidates seeking election to the school committee. W. Rua thanked the students and staff at Doering School for lining Main Street in front of their school, as well as the school driveways and parking lot as Mr. Janulewicz's funeral procession drove by in a show of respect for the former teacher and school volunteer. Mrs. Rua said she is proud to have been a member of the District Wide Support Team for the past 6 years noting that the district takes drug and substance abuse addiction seriously and makes it a priority. She also thanked Mrs. Urbinati for all her work securing and overseeing the Opioid Grant. S. Reed concluded remarks by announcing that the next regular school committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 14th, in the junior high school library, explaining that Doering School will be conducting Parent/Teacher Conferences that same night.

There being no further business, on a motion made by D. Juzba, 2nd by W. Rua, the Committee voted to adjourn.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 absent

Time: 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Alexis Ferioli
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & School Committee

D. Juzba, Committee Secretary