

Approved

Milford Board of Education

Committee of the Whole and Live Streamed on YouTube

Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2023

Board members present:

Katherine Alling
Adam De Young
Meghan Doyle
Andrew Fowler
Susan Glennon (Board Chair)
Tracey Irby
Emily McDonough Souza
Cindy Wolfe Boynton

Administration present:

Dr. Anna Cutaia
Jim Richetelli
Chris Brown

Board members Absent:

Gary Peluchette (excused)
Una Petroske (excused)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Glennon called the board meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Board of Education room at Parsons. By a roll call, eight (8) Board members were present. Mrs. Petroske and Mr. Petuchette were excused.

Ms. Glennon told the Board an agenda item needs to be added to the agenda for action.

Mr. Fowler made a motion to add the Approval of the Plans, Specifications and Estimates for the Partial Roof Replacement Project at Joseph A. Foran High School (State Project #084-0216 RR). Mr. De Young seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fowler made a motion that the Milford Board of Education approves the Approval of the Plans, Specifications and Estimates for the Partial Roof Replacement Project at Joseph A. Foran High School (State Project #084-0216 RR). Mr. De Young seconded the motion.

Mr. Richetelli said the administration received the paperwork today and will need the Board to approve it before it can be submitted for reimbursement.

Ms. Wolfe Boynton told the Board the Permanent School Building Facilities Committee is very anxious to get this work done.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Glennon moved the Opioid policy to the next agenda item as Dr. Carlson and Ms. Campbell were in attendance for that item.

Mr. Richetelli told the Board it is recommended to add the Opioid Overdose Prevention policy. This is not a required but recommended policy. A discussion ensued.

During the overview of the policy, the Board requested more clarity on the paragraph that refers to who, if anyone, would administer the medication after school hours.

II. PARENT INVOLVEMENT UPDATE

Dr. Cutaia introduced Dr. Christianne Golesky and Mr. Sean Smyth to go over the report with the Board. Dr. Golesky and Mr. Smyth are the instructional supervisors who oversee the student development and wellness for pk-12 in the district.

The parent survey was administered at the end of the 2021-22 school year. The Board was reminded the students were in school but there were still limitations in place until March 2022. The survey questions were modified to align better with how the schools reacted to the pandemic. However, school climate, emotional well being and engagement continued to be measured. The results were shared with the Board as well as a comparison to the questions administered the previous year. While the district experienced gains from the 2020-21 survey, this could be the result of the pandemic and restrictions being lifted. The highlights of events throughout the district were shared. The survey will be revised next year to better align with current trends.

The Board requested the survey questions be presented in the format it was done prior to the pandemic.

III. BOARD POLICIES FOR A FIRST READING

Dr. Cutaia asked Mr. Brown to update the Board on the Attendance and Truancy policies.

Mr. Brown reviewed the changes made to the 5113 Attendance and 5113.2 Truancy policies. He assured the Board the policies have been updated to reflect the current legislation. The Board suggested some changes be made to the policies before bringing it back to the Board for approval.

Dr. Cutaia reviewed the revisions made to the 6142.10 Health Education Program/Physical Activity. The revisions were made to be in alignment to new legislation around the allowance to restrict recess if the student presents danger to him/herself or others. The Board discussed the policy changes and asked for some edits.

The policies will be presented to the Board for approval at the May business meeting.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fowler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. De Young seconded. Seeing no objections, Ms. Glennon adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Recording Secretary: _____
Mrs. Pam Griffin

Corresponding Secretary: _____
Mr. Andrew Fowler