A meeting of the Wareham School Committee was held on Wednesday, July 22, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Wareham Middle School Auditorium. Present were Geoff Swett, Cliff Sylvia, and Judy Caporiccio as well as Superintendent Kimberly Shaver-Hood, and recording secretary, Mrs. Ruiz.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Swett at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

Minutes of the Meeting

Dr. Sylvia moved to approve the minutes of July 8, 2015, seconded by Ms. Caporiccio.

VOTE: yea -3; nay -0; abstain - 0

Appointment of Special Education Administrator

Dr. Shaver-Hood recommended Mrs. Beverly Shea as our new Special Education Administrator.

Chair Swett thanked the screening committee present this evening and Ms. Caporiccio for serving as the school committee representative.

Ms. Caporiccio shared that Mrs. Shea has experience in program development. Ms. Caporiccio looks forward to a district wide needs assessment from our new administrator.

In response to questions from the Committee members, Mrs. Shea explained how she would evaluate current programs to better use resources for special education and her thoughts about RTi.

Dr. Sylvia welcomed Mrs. Shea and hoped her stay in Wareham will be a fruitful one.

Ms. Caporiccio asked the principals about Wareham's trained team of teachers for RTi and has RTi been disrupted with the movement of staff this past year?

Chair Swett stated that Ms. Capriccio's question was out of order as it was not part of the interview with Mrs. Shea but addressed to the principals.

Dr. Sylvia moved to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Shaver-Hood on the appointment of Beverly Shea as Special Education Administrator in the Wareham Public Schools, seconded by Ms. Caporiccio.

VOTE: yea -3; nay -0; abstain - 0

Superintendent Shaver-Hood thanked the screening committee for their efforts.

Any other business

a) Dr. Shaver-Hood informed the committee that three members must sign for payroll and recommended the committee nominate one person who can sign off with an alternate.

Mr. Swett stated that the committee had tried this before and was told it could not have one member sign off on bills.

Dr. Shaver-Hood read Ch. 41, Sec. 41 which allows one designated member to sign just for payroll.

Chair Swett would prefer both the Town Administrator and Town Accountant give their approval on the procedure first before any votes are taken. We will keep three signatures on payroll at this time.

b) Dr. Shaver-Hood had Principal Noonan present her proposal for an office upgrade at the Decas Elementary School to increase safety for staff and student and increase efficiency in the main office. The proposal included removing glass panes from two windows in the hallway, installing an electric door buzzer on interior door, moving the reception counter, relocating teacher mailboxes, adding an electrical outlet and purchasing a locking file cabinet and small counter. A quote for the work is \$1,814 to be taken from the existing budget.

Dr. Sylvia moved to approve Principal Noonan's request for office renovation which includes minor construction, seconded by Ms. Caporiccio.

VOTE: yea -3; nay -0; abstain - 0

Ms. Caporiccio moved to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Sylvia.

VOTE: yea -3; nay -0; abstain - 0

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: 12

List of documents:

Resume Beverly Shea

Proposal for Office Upgrade - John W. Decas School

Correspondence: Notice of Vacancy Listing