

Somers Board of Education Meeting Minutes

November 11, 2019 7:00 PM

Board of Education Chambers

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM:

Present Board Members: Jan Martin, Sarah Bollinger, Bruce Devlin, Rick Lees, Jeremy Anderson, Kate McLellan, Anne Kirkpatrick

Absent Board Members: Barbara Capuano, David Palmer

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Discussion: Rick Lees was recognized for his 12 years of service to the Town of Somers Board of Education

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. Draft of October 28, 2019 Board of Education Minutes

Rationale: The board will review and approve the draft minutes of October 28, 2019.

Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Jan Martin and a second by Jeremy Anderson. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

5. AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

Discussion: Gabrielle Tullock and Sophia Carengo gave an update on student activities at the High School. Highlights included sports scores, an update on the Veterans Day activities and fundraising activities.

6. OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS

Motion Passed: Motion to add item 8.2 first warning of policy 6146 passed with a motion by Anne Kirkpatrick and a second by Sarah Bollinger.

7 Yeas - 0 Nays.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

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Motion Passed: As presented passed with a motion by Jeremy Anderson and a second by Anne Kirkpatrick. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

7.1. Warrant of November 11, 2019

Rationale: Board will review and consent the November 11, 2019 warrant.

7.2. 2nd Warning of DSB Policy 5131.11

Rationale: This policy DBS 5131.11 on Student Bullying is to be deleted and has been replaced by 5131.911.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. 1st Warning of Somers DBS Policy 6142.61 - Physical Activity - Recess

Rationale: 1st Warning of Somers DBS Policy 6142.61 - Physical Activity - Recess.

The Board will ask the Policy Committee any question they might have regarding the changes. The Board will review and vote on November 25, 2019.

8.2. 1st Warning of Somers DBS Policy 6146 - Graduate Requirements.

Rational: 1st Warning of Somers DBS Policy 6146 – Graduate Requirements.

The Board will ask the Policy Committee any question they might have regarding the changes. The Board will review and vote on November 25, 2019.

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.1. Five Year Technology Plan

Rationale: Mr. Rob Wilson will present the Board with the Five Year Technology Plan.

Discussion: Rob Wilson presented attached Five Year Technology plan to the BOE.

10.2. Pupil Services 19-20 School Improvement Plan for Pupil Services

Rationale: Dr. Messina will present the Board the Pupil Services School Improvement Plan (Pages 8-9)

Discussion: Dr. Messina gave an overview of the attached Pupil Services School Improvement Plan.

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10.3. Mabelle B. Avery Middle School's 19-20 School Improvement Plan

Rationale: Mrs. Margot Martello, Principal of MBA will present the Board the 19-20 School Improvement Plan for the middle school. (pages 13-19)

Discussion: Mrs. Margot Martello presented School Improvement plan as attached.

10.4. Enrollment Report

Rationale: The Superintendent will discuss enrollment projections.

10.5. Superintendent's Update

Rationale: Superintendent will update on the Veteran's Day programs and other events.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.1. CURRICULUM

Discussion: Had meeting tonight, many first warning to be presented at upcoming meeting

11.2. POLICY

Discussion:

Had meeting tonight, new policies coming

11.3. SALARY & NEGOTIATION

11.4. PLANNING

12. CREC UPDATE

Discussion: Next meeting on 19th

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Jan Martin and a second by Sarah Bollinger. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Bruce Devlin, Chairperson

Brian Czapla, Superintendent