

**OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**476 North Avenue  
Rochester, MA 02770**

**Wednesday  
November 14, 2018**

**DISTRICT MINUTES**

**Present: Mr. John Bandzul, Mrs. Shirley Bourque, Ms. Nancy Souza, Mr. Donald Foster, Mrs. Sharon Cruz, Mr. Richard Gamache, Mr. David Hughes, Mr. Maurice St. Amand, Mr. Donald Williams, Mr. Robert Marshall, Mrs. Evelyn Bouley, Mr. Justin Brodeur, Mr. Gary Mansfield, Mrs. Joanne Puskar**

**Absent: Mr. Stephen Cassidy**

**Also: Mr. Aaron L. Polansky, Superintendent-Director; Mr. J. Michael Parker, Principal; Mrs. Catherine Tuccinardi, Academic Coordinator/Data Analyst; Mrs. Bethany Botelho, Vocational Coordinator; Mrs. Sarah Griffith, Business Manager; Mr. Matthew Trahan, Athletic Director; Mrs. Rebecca Mitchell, Title I/MCAS/EPP Coordinator; Mrs. Jolene Costa, District Committee Secretary; Ms. Jeanne Downey, CADD Instructor; Mr. Zachariah O'Hare, Chairperson, Student Advisory Council to District Committee**

**Guests: Ms. Kathy O'Hare, Parent/P.T.O  
Mr. Michael Christian, General Advisory Board, House & Mill Carpentry  
Mr. Robert Chiarito, General Advisory Board, Business Technology  
Mrs. Jen Patnaude, Parent, Lakeville  
Mr. Brian Patnaude, Parent, Lakeville  
Ms. Lauren Patnaude, Student O.C.R.V.T.H.S.  
Ms. Susan Hannon, Parent  
Mr. Pat Hannon, Parent  
Ms. Amanda Hannon, Student O.C.R.V.T.H.S.  
Mr. Bob Plakias, Solect Energy**

**Mr. Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**

**All in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.**

**Mr. Hughes announced the General Advisory Board meeting and invited Mrs. Bethany Botelho to speak.**

**Mrs. Botelho stated that members of the General Advisory Board were present to discuss the needs of industry and equipment of their respective shops.**

**Members of the General Advisory Boards discussed the needs of Old Colony's technical programs.**

**Mrs. Cruz entered the meeting at 6:03 p.m.**

**Mrs. Bourque stressed the need for more room for our vocational shops and overall for the school.**

**Mr. Polansky recognized Old Colony student Amanda Hannon (Carver) and presented her with the MASS Certificate of Excellence Award.**

**Ms. Hannon fielded questions from the School Committee members and spoke about her reason for choosing House & Mill Carpentry. She was commended for her hard work and dedication to her education.**

**Mr. John Bandzul entered the meeting at 6:15 p.m.**

**Mr. Bandzul introduced Ms. Jeanne Downey, CADD Instructor, and Lauren Patnaude, CADD Student, to present the School Committee with the lobby redesign project.**

**Ms. Patnaude presented the slideshow and fielded questions from School Committee members. She was commended for the work she did. Mr. Foster requested her presentation be sent to him digitally.**

**Mr. Bandzul introduced Mr. Bob Plakias from Solect Energy.**

**Mr. Plakias explained what his company does and presented the School Committee members with solar energy options and what that means for Old Colony.**

**Mr. Plakias fielded questions from School Committee members regarding solar energy.**

**Mr. Bandzul introduced Mrs. Rebecca Mitchell, Title I/MCAS/EPP Coordinator, who presented the School Committee members with an Accountability presentation.**

**Mrs. Mitchell fielded questions from School Committee members regarding Accountability information.**

**The District Committee Chairman waived the reading of items listed on the Consent Agenda and a motion was made by Mrs. Shirley Bourque and seconded by Mr. David Hughes, it was unanimously**

**Voted: To approve the Consent Agenda a. and b.**

**Acceptance of minutes listed below:**

**October 17, 2018 District School Committee minutes**

**October 17, 2018 Insurance Advisory Subcommittee minutes**

**On a motion duly made by Mrs. Shirley Bourque and seconded by Mr. David Hughes, it was unanimously**

**Voted: To approve the sale or disposal of surplus property in accordance with District Policy NEPN Code DN as previously approved by the District School Committee.**

**Mrs. Griffith discussed the financial reports that were requested at the last District Committee meeting.**

**Mrs. Bourque requested the Student Activity and productivity report be referred to the Budget Subcommittee, to be reviewed on an annual basis.**

**Mrs. Bourque commended Mrs. Griffith on her work on the audit resulting in the audit management letter that was received.**

**Mr. Bandzul stated there was an unanticipated item surrounding the MASC/MASS conference attended by both Ms. Nancy Souza and Ms. Evelyn Bouley.**

**Both Committee members discussed the benefit of attending the conference.**

**Mr. Hughes suggested canceling the December 19<sup>th</sup> District Committee meeting and proposed the next meeting be on January 16, 2019.**

**On a motion duly made by Mr. David Hughes and seconded by Mr. Don Foster, it was unanimously**

**Voted: To cancel the December 19, 2018 District Committee meeting and propose the next meeting be Wednesday, January 16, 2019.**

**Following discussion around the length of contract, on a motion duly made by Mrs. Shirley Bourque and seconded by Ms. Nancy Souza, it was unanimously**

**Voted: To approve the contract for appointment of the Superintendent-Director from 2019-2022.**

**Mr. Polansky spoke to the Charter Review Subcommittee meeting held with the Town Officials and the continued positive collaboration with the towns.**

**Mr. Zachariah O' Hare addressed the School Committee members with the student body concerns and presented them with a survey based upon the general overall feeling of electives.**

**Mrs. Bethany Botelho discussed the success of all recent events including Vocational Exploration Days and Open House.**

**Mr. Matt Trahan addressed the School Committee and discussed the successes of the Old Colony sports teams and their accomplishments along with the awards they have won.**

**Mr. Trahan also requested permission from the School Committee to investigate costs for lighting on the sports fields.**

**On a motion made by Mr. Robert Marshall and seconded by Mr. David Hughes, it was unanimously**

**Voted: To approve the request of the Athletic Director and investigate potential costs for lightening on the sports fields.**

**Mr. Bandzul presented Mr. Trahan with a letter congratulating him on being nominated as the Athletic Director of the year in the State of Massachusetts.**

**Mr. Bandzul discussed the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship Recognition Ceremony scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2018 at 8 a.m.**

**Mr. Polansky discussed the Adult Education courses, Culinary and the possibility of TIG Welding (that may be offered through a grant).**

**Mr. Polansky explained "Back to the Classroom" and having an Administrator teach a class.**

**Mr. Parker spoke about the Principal's Newsletter.**

**The Budget Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library**

**The Insurance Advisory Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room.**

**The District Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jolene Costa  
District Committee Secretary**

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**Mr. John Bandzul, Chairman**

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**Date**

