# Record of the Marblehead School Committee Meeting October 19, 2017 Glover School Cafetorium

**Members Present:** Meredith Tedford, Kate Lipsitz, Susie Pratt,

David Harris, Jennifer Schaeffner

Also: Maryann Perry, Superintendent

Dr. Bradford Smith, Assistant Superintendent Amanda Maniaci, Director of Business and Finance Ken Lord, Exec. Dir. Of Technology and Operations Robert Bellucci, Dir. Of Student Services & Prog. Acct.

Rachel Bowen, Director of Human Resources

#### **Members Absent:**

#### I. Initial Business

#### A. Call to Order

Ms. Tedford called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

#### **B.** Commendations

Superintendent Perry congratulated all those who were inducted into the National Honor Society last night.

Ms. Tedford thanked Mr. James Maroney of MHTV for taping the meeting.

#### C. Public Comment

None

## D. Student Representative

Melissa Khorda made note of the following announcements:

- Now through October 29<sup>th</sup> the Language teachers and students are holding a fundraiser for the people in Puerto Rico. For more information, please contact the Spanish teacher.
- Auditions for 2018 Marblehead Rotary Club "Marblehead's Got Talent" competition has kicked off. Auditions for Freshman and Sophomores will be held on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 10-12 and auditions for Juniors and Seniors on Saturday, November 4 from 9-11.

Ms. Tedford thanked the Glover School Principal and welcomed the students and their families.

Ms. Graziano and some of her students shared some of their projects on Service Learning. The money they raised was to help those in Puerto Rico.

## II. Consent Agenda & Action Items

1. Minutes: 9/6/2017; 10/5/2017

Ms. Schaeffner made motion to approve the minutes of 9/6/17 and 10/5/17. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lipsitz and the Committee **VOTED** unanimously 5-0, in favor.

Ms. Tedford reminded the community that all documents discussed at school committee meetings are posted online on the Marblehead Public Schools School Committee web page.

## III. Teaching/Learning-Superintendent of Schools

# A. District Reports and Updates

#### 1. Food Service Report

The purpose of this report is to provide the School Committee with a comprehensive evaluation of its current Food Services operations and its mission to serve healthy, well-balanced meals that students and staff will enjoy eating, in compliance with local, School Committee, State and Federal school lunch policies and regulations. Additionally the food services department and its staff continue to be an ongoing part of district goals including allergy awareness, positive behavior, and nutritional and social wellness, through outreach and collaboration with both building and central school faculty. We believe that the Marblehead Food Services department is an important piece of the overall educational experience of the student body and we seek to add a positive and valuable wellness experience to what is often a social and welcome part of the school day. In working with district values of educating the 'whole child' we align our mission by working to promote lifelong healthy eating habits and provide nutritious and enjoyable food in a safe and positive environment.

Mr. Kelleher noted that they continue to improve the collection of accounts in arrears as well as identifying those who are eligible for free or reduced lunches. Another notable improvement is providing fresh, cooked daily on site meals at the Glover School for both students and teachers.

Mr. Kelleher, the Food Service Director, noted the following 2017 successes and challenges: (this entire report which includes challenges and financials is available online at <a href="http://marbleheadschools.org/sc-meetings">http://marbleheadschools.org/sc-meetings</a>

#### FY17 Successes

- Ongoing successes with School Committee and Administrative procedure on arrears collections
- Participated in DESE Food Services audit with successful findings report of compliance and practice
- Conducted ServSafe training to maintain certification of required kitchen staff
- Kitchen staff participated in additional client services and staff management training over and above mandated kitchen safety training
- Purchasing best practices including longer reach of local farm connections and co-operative purchasing when available and in accordance with regulations
- Participated in DOD (United States Department of Defense) fresh produce buying program. Savings of approximately \$4,400 in food costs
- Completed purchasing of all milk coolers to own in lieu of former practice of leasing. This has provided cost savings and efficiencies in our milk purchases and storage. These units were fully amortized prior to their first complete year of service in district
- Successful round of annual Board of Health inspections across all building kitchens

#### IV. Finance Organizational Support

1. Schedule of Bills

#15626 \$ 595.00 #15640 \$ 417.78 #15667 \$246,010.17 #15668 \$ 7,098.50 #15669 \$ 8,836.21 #15670 \$ 22,046.02 #15671 \$ 24,074.48 **Total** \$309,078.16

Motion to approve all schedules of bills totaling \$309,078.16 was made by Ms. Pratt and seconded by Ms. Schaeffner. The Committee **VOTED** unanimously, 5-0, in favor.

## 2. End of Fiscal Year 17 Report

Ms. Maniaci presented the End of Fiscal Year 17 Report and noted that at the final fiscal close, week 52 of a 52 week fiscal year, the operating budget was balanced. She made note to a transfer report which shows closeout period transfers of expense overages out of the operating budget into grants and special funds to balance expenses to original appropriations. The report can be read in full, online on our web site at: <a href="http://marbleheadschools.org/sc-meetings">http://marbleheadschools.org/sc-meetings</a>

## V. School Committee Communication and/or Discussion items

# 1. Gerry Building Update

Mr. Harris noted that the second Listening Tour was held yesterday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at the Glover School. The themes that surfaced were: traffic; what could happen with the current schools should we decide not to use them; how changes at the Tower School could affect our project; and communication to the public in getting out information through many venues.

Mr. Harris noted that they are currently working on a web site for the project. He also noted that the Listening Tours will transition into giving out information as well as receiving questions, comments or concerns. Mr. Harris noted that the next Building Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at the Glover School and there will be a presentation by Gene Raymond, our Design Architect, on the initial space summary. The next Listening Tour will be scheduled for mid November.

#### 2. MASC Conference

Ms. Tedford stated that she attended the conference last year and attended different seminars than those the Superintendent attended in order to broaden the coverage of topics. She will attend again this year on Wednesday and Thursday of the conference but will not be able to attend the Friday and Saturday sessions. She asked if any other member would like to attend the Friday and Saturday sessions in her place, to please let her know. Ms. Tedford also noted that she would like to attend the Delegate Assembly on November 1<sup>st</sup> and this would require the Committee's vote. One of the benefits of being a delegate is that our Committee could propose resolutions and bylaw changes. At the current time there are seven resolutions to be discussed.

Mr. Harris made motion to appoint Ms. Tedford as delegate to MASC Delegate Assembly representing the Marblehead School Committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lipsitz and the Committee **VOTED**, 5-0, in favor.

## VI. Closing Business

# A. New Business

Ms. Tedford noted that the Policy Manual is close to being ready for presentation to the Committee at the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting and hopefully voted on at a December meeting.

# B. Correspondence

Ms. Tedford stated that she will send a thank you note to the Glover School.

## C. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and the Committee **VOTED** unanimously, 5-0, to adjourn. The public session of the meeting ended at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted, Susie Pratt Marblehead School Committee

Meeting Documents:

Minutes: 9/6/2017; 10/5/2017 Food Service Report Schedule of Bills End of Fiscal Year 17 Report Gerry Building Update MASC Conference

Apprved 12/7/2017