

NORTHPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE AGENDA
February 11, 2020 Edna Drinkwater School
6:00 pm Regular School Committee Meeting

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum – Mark called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. The Superintendent requested to move the audit report before the reports listed in #4.
2. Citizen Comments – No Citizens Present
3. Consent Agenda - Deb made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Sandy seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.
 - A. Approval of Minutes of Regular School Committee meeting
4. Reports
 - A. Superintendent
 - * The Superintendent and Business Manager have begun the process of looking at High School Tuition for next year.
 - * Based on current information, it appears that Special Education costs should be significantly less next year.
 - * The Superintendent thanked the Business Manager for her wonderful work both on the audit and in day to day operations.
 - * The Superintendent notified the board that in March she would like to invite Officer Kevin Littlefield to the Board meeting to talk about ALICE training to provide an overview of what this model looks like regarding school safety. If the district moves to this model it will impact staff development training at the end of this year. Mr. Martin will invite Officer Littlefield to the meeting.
 - B. Principal
 - * The calendar presented tonight for next year’s school year was co-created with staff input.
 - * Wrestling has started at Troy Howard Middle School. Our wrestlers leave school at 2:40 to make practice.
 - * An additional therapist from Sweetser is on our campus to provide therapeutic needs for students one day per week.
 - C. School Committee
 - * Mark and Todd went to the February Select Board meeting to provide a Drinkwater School update to the Selectmen. We provided information regarding budget, athletics, and Mark mentioned the idea of a joint venture with the town in the implementation of a solar project. Mark will contact the Select Board chair to talk about how this venture might move forward. Todd will talk with Ms. Plummer and Mr. Collins about solar energy to support the greenhouse.
 - D. Finance
 - * Luci presented the finance reports. Accounts to monitor are food service and athletics.
5. Audit Report – Peter Hall, auditor from Smith & Associates, CPAs, presented the financial audit report from last year. The audit was completed and received a clean, unmodified opinion with positive feedback.

6. Policy: Deb made a motion to approve the final reading of the Tobacco policy. Sandy seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

*Final Reading – NEPN/NSBA Code: ADC

Tobacco Products

7. Transportation – There was a minor bus accident on the morning of February 11th and has been resolved with minimal damage to the bus.

8. Budget Calendar – The board was given the budget development timeline for the 2019-2020 school year.

9. Facilities

* Bathroom renovation updates – Todd has contacted the plumber several times to make an appointment with him about designing specs for the bathroom renovations. He has not had a response yet and will arrange a time to meet with the plumber and Mark.

* Todd met with Mark from MAC Electric. Mark visited the campus and will calculate how much we could add to the generator to ensure the building could be used as an emergency shelter if necessary.

10. School Calendar 2020-2021 - Deb made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Drinkwater School Calendar as presented. Sandy seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Deb made a motion to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Sandy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

Next School Committee meeting: **Tuesday, March 10, 2020.**