

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

**476 North Avenue
Rochester, MA 02770**

**Wednesday
March 16, 2016**

MINUTES

**Present: Mr. Raymond Andrews, Mr. John Bandzul, Mrs. Shirley Bourque,
Mr. Stephen Cassidy, Mr. Donald Foster, Mr. Michael Gagliardi,
Mr. Richard Gamache, Mr. David Hughes, Mr. Gary Mansfield,
Mr. Maurice St. Amand, Mr. Donald Williams, Mr. Sylvester Zienkiewicz**

Absent: Mrs. Evelyn Bouley, Mrs. Donna Forand, Mr. Paul Guilbeault

**Also: Mr. Frank K. Cote', Superintendent-Director; Mrs. Karen Guenette,
Principal; Mrs. Jacqueline Machamer, Assistant Principal/Vocational
Coordinator; Ms. Krystla Fay, Special Services Coordinator; Mrs.
Sarah Griffith, Business Manager; Mrs. Rosemarie Canessa, District
Committee Secretary; Mr. Dylan Picariello, Chairperson, Student
Advisory Committee to the District Committee**

**Guests: Nancy Souza, Mattapoisett
Holly Raposa, Old Colony Parent, Acushnet
Taylor Raposa, Old Colony Student, Acushnet
Phil Rose, Freetown
Paula Rose, Freetown**

Mr. Cassidy called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

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

On a motion duly made by Mr. Maurice St. Amand and seconded by Mrs. Shirley Bourque, it was unanimously

**Voted: To accept the minutes of the following meetings:
January 6, 2016 Budget Subcommittee meeting
January 20, 2016 District Committee meeting
January 27, 2016 Budget Subcommittee meeting
February 10, 2016 Budget Subcommittee meeting
February 24, 2016 Budget Subcommittee meeting**

Warrants were available for review.

Mr. St. Amand reviewed the FY2017 budget process. He stated that the budget meetings went very well and all five of the member towns Finance Committees were very receptive to the FY2017 budget.

Mr. St. Amand stated that the FY2017 budget was a 4.06% increase and the major increases in the budget represented contractual salary increases and health insurance premium increases.

Mrs. Bourque commended the administration on the preparation of the FY2017 budget.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Donald Foster and seconded by Mr. John Bandzul, it was unanimously

Voted: To approve Old Colony’s 2016-2017 Tentative Operating and Maintenance Budget as follows:

1000	Administration	\$ 767,615.00
2000	Instruction	5,780,561.00
3000	Health/Student Activities/Athletics	540,886.00
4000	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	890,316.00
5000	Fixed Charges	2,004,950.00
	Net School Spending	9,984,328.00
3300	Pupil Transportation	613,850.00
7000	Site, Building & Equipment	60,000.00
8000	Debt Service	490,661.00
	Other School Spending	1,164,511.00
	FY17 Total Budget	11,148,839.00
	Old Colony FY17 Estimated Revenue	
	Chapter 70 School Aide	3,224,859.00
	Transportation Aide	358,774.00
	Regional Transportation Fund	96,182.00
	Total Estimated Revenue	5,181,899.00

Total Dollars Assessed to Member Towns 5,966,940.00

The District Committee will vote on the Final Operating & Maintenance Budget at a Public Hearing to be held on March 23, 2016 at 6 pm.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Michael Gagliardi and seconded by Mr. David Hughes, it was unanimously

Voted: To approve a field trip for the House & Mill Carpentry students to attend the Journal of Light Construction Trade Show on March 18, 2016 at the Rhode Island Convention Center in Providence, RI.

Mrs. Guenette discussed and reviewed the revised District Wellness Policy NEPN Code ADF.

Mrs. Guenette stated that she held several meetings with a committee to set the goals and benchmarks and an action plan for the revised policy. She stated that the revised policy is recommended by the DESE and the District needs to be in compliance with the DESE regulations.

Mrs. Bourque stated she has an issue with the fitness portion of the policy stating that students couldn't walk or ride bicycles to school due to safety concerns with no sidewalks and well-traveled roads that lead to Old Colony. She stated that she could not support this portion of the policy.

Mrs. Guenette stated that she will provide evidence to the DESE that it is not safe for students to walk or ride bicycles to school because there are no sidewalks. She stated that the students will have access to walk on the paths and trails of the school campus.

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

Voted: To approve the revised District Wellness Policy NEPN Code ADF as recommended by the administration with the changes discussed.

Mrs. Bourque requested that the form for sale or disposal of surplus property include the condition of the property.

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

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

Mr. Guenette reported that the Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held on May 14, 2016.

Mrs. Guenette reported that nine members of the Student Council attended the State Convention in Hyannis, MA on March 9, 10, & 11, 2016.

The Annual Spring Advisory Board meeting will be held on April 6, 2016.

Mr. Cassidy stated that he would like to have the Future Planning Subcommittee meet to review and discuss the capital project needs of the District.

The member town Finance Committee members recommended that the District prepare an article to be presented to the towns in the fall at their special town meetings to apply for money from their free cash for one of our capital project needs.

Mr. Cassidy stated that he would like the Negotiating Subcommittee to meet in Executive Session after the Public Hearing on March 23, 2016 to review the proposals of the clerical staff.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Rosemarie Canessa
District Committee Secretary**

Mr. Stephen Cassidy, Chairman

Date