

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

**476 North Avenue
Rochester, MA 02770**

**Wednesday
March 20, 2019**

MINUTES

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

Absent: Mr. Stephen Cassidy III, Ms. Evelyn Bouley

Also: Mr. Aaron Polansky, Superintendent-Director, Mr. J. Michael Parker, Principal; Mrs. Bethany Botelho, Vocational Coordinator; Ms. Krystla Fay, Special Services Coordinator; Mrs. Sarah Griffith, Business Manager; Mrs. Jolene Costa, District Committee Secretary;

Guests: Rochester Police Chief Robert Small
Officer Robert Nordahl
Kathy O'Hare, Parent/PTO
Paula Rose, Parent/PTO

Mr. Bandzul 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. Bandzul introduced Rochester Police Chief Robert Small to the School Committee.

Chief Small presented the School Committee with a proposal for a School Resource Officer that would be assigned to Old Colony 4 days a week.

Sharon Cruz enters the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Chief Small explained the financial implication of the School Resource Officer on Old Colony's budget.

Mr. Marshall made a recommendation to take under advisement and create a subcommittee to review the document provided by Chief Small.

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

Voted: To establish a School Resource Officer Subcommittee.

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. Donald Foster, it was unanimously

Voted: To approve the Consent Agenda a. through f.

Acceptance of minutes listed below:

January 16, 2019 Insurance Advisory Subcommittee

February 11, 2019 Budget Subcommittee minutes

February 20, 2019 District Committee minutes

February 20, 2019 Charter Review Subcommittee minutes

March 5, 2019 Budget Subcommittee minutes

Mrs. Griffith was available to discuss the Operating Statement and warrants were available for review.

Mrs. Bourque inquired about the Treasurer's line item and if she was billing Old Colony.

Mrs. Griffith confirmed she is billing.

Mrs. Bourque inquired about the encumbrance of gas and athletic transportation.

Mrs. Griffith explained that gas prices have gone up and that there is a reserve in regular transportation line item to offset any additional athletic transportation costs.

Mr. St. Amand reviewed the preparation of the FY2020 budget. He asked the full committee if they had any questions or concerns.

Mr. St. Amand stated that the FY20 budget represents a 3.68% increase.

On a motion duly made by Mr. David Hughes and seconded by Mr. Maurice St. Amand, it was unanimously

Voted: To approve Old Colony's FY2018-2019 Proposed Budget and Member Town Assessments as follows:

1000	Administration	\$722,841.00
2000	Instruction	\$6,374,312.00
3000	Health/Student Activities/Athletics	\$591,516.00
4000	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	\$894,172.00
5000	Fixed Charges	\$2,298,930.00
	Net School Spending	\$10,881,771.00
3300	Pupil Transportation	\$670,000.00
7000	Site, Building and Equipment	\$50,000.00
	Other School Spending	\$720,000.00
8000	Debt Service	\$521,995.00
	Total FY20 Draft Budget	\$12,123,766.00
	Chapter 70 School Aide	\$3,277,704.00
	Transportation Reimbursement Aide	\$426,950.00
	Regional Transportation Fund	\$46,903.00
	Tuition Income	\$1,519,408.00
	Total Estimated Revenue	\$5,270,965.00
	Total Dollars Assessed to Member Towns	\$6,852,801.00

The District Committee will vote on the Final Budget and Member Town Assessments at the Public Hearing to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 27th.

Mr. St. Amand recognized and commended Mrs. Griffith on her efforts regarding the budget process.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Robert Marshall and seconded by Mrs. Shirley Bourque, it was unanimously

Voted: To approve a cooperative MIAA Hockey program with host Apponequet High School through 2019-2020 school year.

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

Voted: To approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar as prepared by the administration.

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

Voted: To approve Dr. George Gagne to serve as school physician effective August 2019.

Mr. Polansky stated that Old Colony was nominated for an APEX award and There is an awards ceremony at Century House in Acushnet on April 9th.

Mr. Polansky discussed the next steps for the Charter Review subcommittee regarding the District Agreement, In District vs. Out of District status for Freetown as well as an assessment for Special Education Students.

Mr. Zachariah O' Hare reviewed the issues discussed with Principal Parker at the Student Advisory Council meeting.

Mr. Polansky discussed the nomination of Amanda Hannon as the Outstanding Vocational Student Award where she will be honored at the Award banquet on April 11th at Mechanics Hall.

This year's Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held at the Acushnet River Valley Golf Course on Saturday, May 18, 2019. Mr. Polansky commended Kathy Peterson and Samantha Clarke for their work on the golf tournament and the money collected for scholarships.

The Annual Spring Advisory Board meeting was discussed.

Mr. Polansky discussed the NEASC Decennial visit that will be taking place April 8-April 11th 2019 and the welcome dinner being held on April 8th.

Mr. Polansky reviewed the Vocational Program Enrollment Report with the committee.

Mr. Polansky provided the Committee with an Admissions update and stated they have surpassed last year's numbers and as of right today there have been 107 acceptances.

Mr. Polansky commended Ms. Fay for her work with Go2Solutions and Mr. Trahan for providing tours to potential students.

Mr. Parker spoke about the Principal's Newsletter and asked for any feedback or ideas for upcoming newsletters.

Ms. Nancy Souza voiced her concern regarding the Public Participation policy (BEDH) and requests it be reviewed to offer clarification surrounding the wording. Ms. Souza recently obtained information that may suggest BEDH may need to be adjusted.

Mr. Polansky agreed to contact James Hardy with MASC and inquire about the wording and concern as well as the future of wording for vested employees.

Mrs. Bourque commended the Drama Club and all those involved for putting on an amazing show.

Mr. Bandzul called a 10 minute caucus at 7:13 for committee members to discuss representation from their respective towns to serve on the School Resource Subcommittee.

Mr. Bandzul called the meeting back to order at 7:22 p.m.

Mr. Bandzul requested the name of the School Committee Member who will represent each town on the Insurance Advisory Subcommittee.

The members are as follows:

Town of Acushnet	Mr. Justin Brodeur
Town of Carver	Mr. John Bandzul
Town of Lakeville	Mr. Robert Marshall
Town of Mattapoisett	Ms. Nancy Souza
Town of Rochester	Mr. David Hughes

The next District Committee meetings will be held Wednesday, March 27, 2019 for Public Hearing on FY'2019 Operating & Maintenance Budget at 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the cafetorium.

The Building Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library.

The Negotiating Subcommittee meetings will be held Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library

The School Resource Officer Subcommittee will be held Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the cafetorium.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jolene Costa
District Committee Secretary**

Mr. John Bandzul, Chairman

Date