PEMBROKE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, March 19, 2019
Pembroke High School Library
7:00PM

PLEASE NOTE TIME & LOCATION

Call to Order
Mr. Chilcott called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Present from Administration: Erin Obey, Superintendent and Marybeth Brust, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Learning

Present from Committee: James Agnew, Secretary; Michael Tropeano and David Boyle
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins, Vice Chair

Acknowledge & Schedule Visitors
Mr. Tropeano welcomed the visitors.

Adjustments to the Agenda
None

Approval of Bill Schedule
Bills were circulated electronically for committee approval.

Communications
None

Recognition of Students
Mr. Tropeano said Cross Country, Volleyball, Golf and Cheerleading athletes will be recognized tonight. Mr. Talbot presented all students with a certificate. Mr. Tropeano added that the Visual Arts department had students recognized at Dartmouth. Mr. Talbot said 10 students were recognized by the Boston Globe as honorable mentions. There was also several silver key winners and a gold key winner. He added that DECA students competed in States and received 2nd place, 3rd place, 4th place and several others earned top ten spots. Three DECA students are invited to attend Nationals.

Visit from Senator deMacedo and Representative Cutler
Mr. Cutler said the Governor filed his budget and the House Ways and Means is reviewing. He said the budget will come out at the end of April and added that there is a big focus on Chapter 70. He said the Governor’s budget is $20 per pupil but he is optimistic that will increase. He said the Governor’s budget of $13.7 is up modestly from $13.52. Mr. Cutler said he and about 60 colleagues have a document to request $100 per pupil. He added that the out of district vocational transportation has some legislation to allow districts to charge a fee and that could provide some relief. He said he would like to see reimbursements on
par with the regional schools at 70%. He said there is a lot of discussion around the education funding formula. Mr. Cutler went on to say that there is a new Safe Communities grant to help fund security at schools and he encouraged the committee to jump on that quickly as deadline is 4/3.

Senator deMacedo said there is a lot of conversation around how the funding formula will play out. He said it has focused on urban communities with high ELLs and high educational gaps and the suburban communities gave push back. He said the urban communities think we are doing just find and it is a battle to fight for what’s fair. He said the challenge is how to tweak the formula to help suburban communities. He said they can advocate on the per pupil amount and told the committee to let them know if they have ideas. He said that more money is the answer. Mr. Tropeano said the $100 per pupil would be great. He said what’s below benchmark, but he said the district is getting quotes for uniform purchasing for FY20 including from the current supplier Piesco Sporting Goods. He said Mr. Domingos is consistent on the branding and quality of uniforms. Mr. Talbot said some capital items needed for Athletics include a scoreboard for the softball field, new hurdles for track and field and sand pit covers, a sound system for the gym and a new scoring table for the gym. Mr. Talbot said Mr. Domingos is proposing a new fundraiser in place of the annual Taste of Pembroke and some of the funds raised will be used to outfit the weight room with modern equipment. The fundraiser is called SNAP! Raise and each sports team will be asked to email out friends and family a short video explaining the process and fundraiser. Teams will receive a percentage of the funds raised to use for team needs. The committee talked about advertising on a new scoreboard

Superintendent’s Report
FY20 Budget Update

Athletics Presentation
Mr. Talbot said he will present the Athletics budget in Mr. Domingos’ absence. He said the goals are to create a summer leadership program for captains, build a captain education platform for monthly Titan Time meetings, and create a summer strength and conditioning program in partnership with Marathon Sports. Mr. Agnew said these are all good goals. Mr. Boyle questioned the revenue from gate receipts for games and Mrs. Obey Mr. Tropeano said the funds pay for ticket takers, clock keepers, etc. Mr. Talbot went on to say that Mr. Domingos is getting quotes for uniform purchasing for FY20 including from the current supplier Piesco Sporting Goods. He said Mr. Domingos is proposing a new fundraiser in place of the annual Taste of Pembroke and some of the funds raised will be used to outfit the weight room with modern equipment. The fundraiser is called SNAP! Raise and each sports team will be asked to email out friends and family a short video explaining the process and fundraiser. Teams will receive a percentage of the funds raised to use for team needs. The committee talked about advertising on a new scoreboard

Maintenance Presentation
Tabled until next meeting.

Visual and Performing Arts Presentation
Mrs. Chapman said her department is revising all curriculum to align to the new MA Arts Curriculum Frameworks. She reviewed the staffing by building and said she still teaches two courses. She said elementary enrollment has been consistent, with strings being down a bit. She said the PCMS teachers serve a larger number of students. She said the increase is driven by student interest and an uptick in 2D and 3D Art. Mr. Tropeano asked about the increase in Drama and Mrs. Obey said it is due to STEM and Math Apps no longer being offered. Mrs. Chapman said she listens to student feedback and electives are created based on student interest. She said once students pick courses she sits down with Mr. Talbot to go over electives. She reviewed the enrollment in clubs for this school year. She said some chamber music ensembles have run during Titan Time. She said when developing her budget, she asks for input from her department as to what they need. She said instructional material and equipment and maintenance/repair of equipment make up the biggest part of her budget. Mr. Chapman went on to say her departmental requests for FY20 include a one-year request for instructional supplies and materials for the new 3D printing and product design class. She said a second request is to replace eight risers over a five-year period at two per year at a cost of $1900 each. She added that the final ask is to replace art kilns over a 5-10-year period, especially for the elementary schools. She said the next steps are to update curriculum elective offerings at PHS and PCMS. Mrs. Obey said she believes the district can chip away at these requests.

Consideration of Approval: DECA Overnight Field Trip Request
Mr. Tropeano presented the DECA trip request.

VOTE: On a motion made by James Agnew and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to approve the DECA trip to Orlando as presented.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

Mrs. Obey said she is excited that there are enough numbers to field another JV softball team. She said the only cost would be about $2,300 for the coach and the funding is available within the coaching stipends because indoor track did not run at PCMS.

VOTE: On a motion made by James Agnew and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to approve JV softball.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

Consideration of Approval: School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 12\textsuperscript{th} and 26\textsuperscript{th}

VOTE: On a motion made by James Agnew and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to approve the School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2019 as presented.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins
VOTE: On a motion made by James Agnew and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to approve the School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2019 as presented.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

Joint Budget Report Out
Tabled

**Future Meeting Dates and Topics**
April 2\textsuperscript{nd}, April 23\textsuperscript{rd} April 30\textsuperscript{th}

VOTE: At 8:25pm, on a motion made by James Agnew and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

**APPROVED: APRIL 2, 2019**

**MOTIONS**

VOTE: On a motion made by David Boyle and seconded by James Agnew, it was unanimously voted to approve the DECA trip to Orlando as presented.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

VOTE: On a motion made by James Agnew and seconded by David Boyle, it was unanimously voted to approve JV softball.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

VOTE: On a motion made by David Boyle and seconded by James Agnew, it was unanimously voted to approve the School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2019 as presented.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, James Agnew and David Boyle
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins
VOTE: On a motion made by David Boyle and seconded by James Agnew, it was unanimously voted to approve the School Committee Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2019 as presented.

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  Voting No: none
  Abstaining: none
  Absent: Patrick Chilcott and Suzanne Scroggins

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