

**Andover School Committee
Minutes of March 15, 2018**

Members in Attendance:

Chair, Susan McCready, Vice-Chair, Shannon Scully, Joel Blumstein, Paul Murphy, and Ted Teichert

Others in Attendance: Superintendent Berman, and Assistant Superintendent Paul Szymanski, Assistant Superintendent Nancy A. Duclos, Noah Colby, AHS Student Government Liaison to the School Committee

I. Call to Order

Susan McCready called the School Committee to order at 6:05 P.M. in the School Committee Meeting Room located in the School Administration Building.

II. Executive Session

At 6:05 P.M. on a motion by Paul Murphy and seconded by Joel Blumstein the School Committee voted to enter into Executive Session for Purpose 7: To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements (Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, s. 22); specifically, to perform a review of Executive Session Minutes dated 2/8/18, 2/13/18, and 2/15/18 pursuant to G.L. c. 30A s. 22(g)(2) to determine whether all or portions thereof may be publicly released, and to reconvene in Open Session at 6:30 P.M. and not to return to Executive Session. Roll call: S. Scully-Y, T. Teichert-Y, P. Murphy-Y, J. Blumstein-Y, and S. McCready-Y.

III. Regular Meeting Resumes

A. Call to Order /Moment of Silence/Salute to the Flag

Susan McCready reconvened the School Committee to order at 6:32 P.M. The meeting began with a Moment of Silence followed by a Salute to the Flag led by Owen Goldstein (Gr 2) and Olivia Goldstein (GR 5) from High Plain Elementary School.

B. Communications

Dr. Berman reported that AHS students walked out of school this morning to hold a 17-minute moment of silence in remembrance of the high school students in Parkland, Florida.. The speakers at the high school were very articulate and the students very respectful. A similar walkout was held at WMS and WHMS, and a number of our students went to the State House yesterday.

A Connect 5 message was sent out to alert the public about the AHS Facility Public Forum scheduled for March 21st at 7:00 P.M. at the High School Media Center. The focus of the forum is to update the public and gather feedback.

At the March 29th School Committee Meeting there will be an agenda item on making up snow days and to answer questions from parents.

Susan McCready acknowledged Ted Teichert for his three-year commitment to the School Committee. The members thanked Ted for his representation and presented him with a parting gift.

C. New Business

1. Memorandum of Agreement-Secretaries:

The MOA with the Secretarial Unit was provided to the Committee and Chair will review and answer any questions the Committee may have.

Susan McCready and Human Resources Director Candace Hall oversaw the contract negotiations with the secretarial unit. Given that we are so far into the year, the representatives of the Secretarial Unit agreed to a Memorandum of Agreement for this year which contains changes to health care (same as other units) and 1.5% COLA increase. The Secretarial Unit met on Monday, March 12th to ratify the agreement, and completion of the contract negotiation will begin on April 5, 2018.

Joel Blumstein moved that the Andover School Committee approve the Memorandum of Agreement dated March 12, 2018 with the Andover Educational Secretaries Association for a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement covering the period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 as presented. The motion was seconded by Paul Murphy and voted 5-0 to approve.

Joel Blumstein moved to amend the previous motion and for the School Committee to approve the MOA signed on February 27, 2018 and ratified on March 12, 2018 by the Secretarial Unit and for a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement covering the period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 as presented. The motion was seconded by Paul Murphy and voted 5-0 to approve.

D. Consent Agenda

1. Warrants: In Order

2. Minutes: N/A

Joel Blumstein moved that the Andover School Committee vote to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Paul Murphy and voted 5-0 to approve.

The School Committee recessed at 6:44 P.M. and will reconvene in Open Session at the Triboard meeting.

E. Adjournment

The School Committee moved into the Triboard Meeting held in the School Committee Room at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee DeLorenzo
Recording Secretary