

BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

March 22, 2022

Live Virtual Online Meeting using ZOOM Audio/Video Conference Software

**** Due to the COVID-19 Crisis, this meeting was live-streamed over the internet using ZOOM video/audio conferencing software in order to adhere with social distancing measures put in place by Governor Baker. This meeting was open to the public for live chat during Public Comment.**

1. Call to Order

At 7:01 PM, Ms. Scoville called to order the meeting of the Bedford School Committee. Other members present included Ms. Guay, Ms. Mehta-Green, Mr. Brosgol, Mr. Morrison, and Student Representative Prakhhar Gupta, Hanscom Representative Sarah McGinley and METCO Representative Madeline Sanabria

2. Public Comment

No Comments

3. PR Report

Appointments:

Yidan Zhang	LTS 0.4 Orchestra Teacher	Lane
Irene Aguero-Torres	LTS Spanish Teacher	Lane
Chauncey Williams	LTS SPED Liaison	BHS
Marko Deperalta	LTS 0.6 Orchestra Teacher	BHS

Internal Transfers

Laura McGinness	LTS Grade 3 Teacher	Lane
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Resignation

Kate Sussman	Art Teacher	BHS
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4. Jenn Ferrarai Conference Presentation: "Empowering Student Leaders in Choice-Based (TAB) Art Rom"

Ms. Ferrarai, Art Teacher at Lane recently attended the National Art Conference in New York and shared that presentation on "Empowering Student Leaders in the Choice-Based (TAB) Art Room with School Committee Members. Some of the highlights were:

- What is Teaching for Artistic Behavior (TAB)? TAB is a choice-based model of art education that regards the child as the artist, the classroom as the child's studio, and focuses on the question "what do artists do?" to guide the curriculum
 - Student-directed learning
 - Studio centers
 - The 5-minute Demo
 - Studio Thinking Framework
- In Art Class such as this students can

- Have an idea
- Gather materials and tools to explore the idea
- Start, change and make mistakes on their project
- Know when the project is finished
- Put away materials and other supplies
- Reflect or share the idea
- Think about what is next
- How to cultivate supportive environments and identify occurrences in classrooms to empower student leaders
 - Students as teachers
 - Student-directed group work
 - Teacher-initiated challenges
 - Allow space for inquiry and reflection
 - Say, yes

“The real product of art education is not the works of art, but the child” – Lois Hetland

5. Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Conrad presented the following during his Superintendent’s report to the School Committee. Congratulation to the cast/crew of Mama Mia and the JGMS Tenacity Team. High School the musical will be performed at JGMS soon. Spring Athletics is underway. Two author visits will be happening at both BHS and Davis. The Parent Diversity Council is hosting an event with author Ms. Jennifer De Leon to discuss her book “Don’t Ask Me Where I’m From on April 6, 2022. Davis will host their former Kindergarten Teacher and author Ms. Vera Ahiyya on May 2 and May 3, 2022 to discuss her book “You have a voice”. Senior art students were part of the Lexington Art Show recently. Mr. Conrad send condolence from the district to Bedford Charter on the recent loss of one of their drivers Joe Crimmins. Students at JGMS and BHS are participating in Youth risk and health related survey. We are doing this opt-in survey in partnership with Emerson Hospital. Our next School Committee meeting will be held at METCO Inc. in Boston. A Hanscom meeting is also being planned for later this spring. More details on both to follow. Lastly, is an EDCO update - Moving closer to the June 30, 2022 closing date. Acton-Boxborough with house records, Lincoln Sudbury with handle health insurance. Lease agreement has been reached with the landlord. \$84,000 is Bedford’s portion to end relationship. A glitch has arisen in the settlement and Lexington is now in negotiations because DESE is stating the Lexington is still a member while Lexington contends it withdrew from EDCO sometime ago. Acton-Boxborough is drafting a letter to Lexington that Bedford may choose to sign at some point in the future.

6. School Committee Secretary Appointment

With the recent appointment of new School Committee member Ms. Mehta-Green it is necessary to nominate and appoint a School Committee Secretary through June of 2022.

Mr. Morrison made the following motion:

MOVED: Motion to nominate Mr. Brosgol as School Committee Secretary

MOTION SECONDED by Ms. Mehta-Green

MOTION APPROVED 5-0-0

Ms. Guay	Yes
Ms. Scoville	Yes
Mr. Brosgol	Yes
Mr. Morrison	Yes
Ms. Mehta-Green	Yes

7. Minutes: Review & Vote

Mr. Morrison made the following motion:

MOVED: Motion to approve meeting minutes from 2-8-2022

MOTION SECONDED by Mr. Brosgol

MOTION APPROVED 4-0-1

Ms. Guay	Yes
Ms. Scoville	Yes
Mr. Brosgol	Yes
Mr. Morrison	Yes
Ms. Mehta-Green	Abstain

8. Adjournment

Ms. Mehta-Green made the following motion:

MOVED: Motion at 08:15PM to adjourn not to re-open in Open Session.

MOTION SECONDED by Mr. Morrison

MOTION APPROVED 5-0-0

Ms. Guay	Yes
Ms. Scoville	Yes
Mr. Brosgol	Yes
Mr. Morrison	Yes
Ms. Mehta-Green	Yes

Exhibits/Documents

Presentation: "Empowering Student Leaders in the Choice-Based (TAB) Art Room"

Draft Minutes

PR Report



School Committee Secretary

5/31/22

Date

