

OPEN SESSION MINUTES
MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 31, 2017 6:30 PM
PAUL REVERE ROOM, MINUTEMAN HIGH SCHOOL

Present:

Jeff Stulin, Chair (Needham)	Jennifer Leone (Lancaster)
Carrie Flood, Vice-Chair (Concord)	Sharon Antia (Lincoln)
Dave Horton, Secretary (Lexington)	Jim Gammill (Belmont)
Alice DeLuca (Stow)	Pam Nourse (Acton)
Ford Spalding (Dover)	Doug Gillespie (Weston)
Christine Lear (Carlisle)	Sue Sheffler (Arlington)

Weighted Vote: 11 members present at the start of the meeting, with Weighted Vote: 78.38%
12 members present 4 minutes later, with the arrival of Sharon Antia, with Weighted
Vote: 82.26%

Absent: Vince Amoroso (Boxborough), David O'Connor (Bolton), Mary Ellen Castagno (Wayland),
Dave Manjarrez (Sudbury)

Others Present: Ed Bouquillon, Kevin Mahoney, Elizabeth Rozan, Ed DeLuca

1. CALL TO ORDER: OPEN SESSION

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2. CHAIR'S REPORT, *Jeff Stulin*

The Chair had no report.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

4. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, *Kevin Mahoney*

a. Approval of FY 18 Budget and Preliminary Assessments

Mr. Mahoney referred to material provided in the packet, which included an update to the FY 18 proposed budget presented at the January 19, 2017 Public Hearing. He explained that the updated material incorporates the Ch. 70 state aid estimates included in the Governor's budget, and that while there is no change to the total proposed budget, there are changes to member town assessments. He further explained that the town assessments were changed to amend the required minimum contribution as established in the Ch. 70 formula, and that in the debt and capital assessment, the FY 18 foundation enrollment and combined effort yield has been updated as part of the capital assessment formula. The member from Belmont asked for clarification on what prompted the jump in assessments for Acton and Lancaster, and Mr. Mahoney further explained the minimum contribution amendment. In response to a request for an updated table for pg. 35 of the budget book that School Committee members received, Mr. Mahoney noted that the book will be revised and sent out to School Committee members, posted on the website, and sent to the towns. In response to the Chair's inquiry related to the specific details needed for

the vote, Mr. Mahoney clarified that the vote does not require state budget codes, but only the total amount. The following budget votes were then taken:

ACTION 2017 #16

Moved (DeLuca) and seconded (Spalding)

To approve the FY 18 Budget of \$19,449,466, as presented

VOTE: Members in room at time of vote: 12 (Absent: Boxborough, Bolton, Wayland, Sudbury)

Weighted Vote present: 82.26%

Weight needed: (for budget vote: 66.7% of the weighted vote of the entire Regional School Committee)

Names of towns opposing or abstaining: None

Final percentage results of vote: 82.26%

Final status of the vote: **Passed Unanimously**

ACTION 2017 #17

Moved (Spalding) and seconded (Leone)

To approve the FY 18 Preliminary Assessments of \$11,880,336, as presented

VOTE: Members in room at time of vote: 12 (Absent: Boxborough, Bolton, Wayland, Sudbury)

Weighted Vote present: 82.26%

Weight needed: (for budget vote: 66.7% of the weighted vote of the entire Regional School Committee)

Names of towns opposing or abstaining: None

Final percentage results of vote: 82.26%

Final status of the vote: **Passed Unanimously**

b. Acceptance of Donation

Mr. Mahoney called attention to the details in the packet related to a software donation from PTC of Needham, MA. In response to a question on the related dollar figure, he noted that the donor requested the estimated amount of this donation remain confidential. The following vote was then taken:

ACTION 2017 #18

Moved (Spalding) and seconded (Leone)

To accept the donation of software from PTC

VOTE: Members in room at time of vote: 12 (Absent: Boxborough, Bolton, Wayland, Sudbury)

Weighted Vote present: 82.26%

Weight needed: 41.13%

Names of towns opposing or abstaining: None

Final percentage results of vote: 82.26%

Final status of the vote: **Passed Unanimously**

c. Update: Document Request – MA Inspector General’s Office

As a follow up to the Inspector General’s November 14, 2016 request for procurement documents, to which a response was submitted December 2, 2014, Mr. Mahoney explained that an additional request was received by email on January 17, 2017 for procurement documents during the 2016 calendar year. He explained that a response will be sent by the deadline of February 3, 2017, and he will keep the School Committee informed.

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT, *Dave Horton*

Mr. Horton offered three minor clarifying amendments to the minutes, and the following vote was taken:

ACTION 2017 #19

Moved (Horton) and seconded (DeLuca)

To approve the past minutes of 1.19.17, as presented, with 3 clarifying amendments

VOTE: Members in room at time of vote: 12 (Absent: Boxborough, Bolton, Wayland, Sudbury)

Weighted Vote present: 82.26%

Weight needed: 41.13%

Names of towns opposing or abstaining: **Arlington, Weston, and Lancaster abstained**

Final percentage results of vote: 50.93%

Final status of the vote: **Passed**

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the following vote was taken:

ACTION 2017 #20

Moved (Leone) and seconded (DeLuca)

To adjourn the meeting at 6:43 PM

VOTE: Members in room at time of vote: 12 (Absent: Boxborough, Bolton, Wayland, Sudbury)

Weighted Vote present: 82.26%

Weight needed: 41.13%

Names of towns opposing or abstaining: None

Final percentage results of vote: 82.26%

Final status of the vote: **Passed Unanimously**

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Rozan
District Assistant

David C. Horton
Secretary