

NORFOLK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting – November 13, 2019

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sally Carr, Carolyn Childs, Kim Crone, Donna Rubin
Ann DeCerbo, Jill Hall

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Sara Heller

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Mary Beth Iacobelli, Superintendent, Lauren Valentino, Principal

ADMINISTRATION ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 P.M.

Public Comments: Matt Riiska addressed the board. The First Selectman reported that the town is working with Allied Engineering on the oil tank replacement for the school. The cost to replace the oil tank is looking to be more expensive than they originally thought. Mr. Riiska informed the board of the need to form a committee and would like the board to appoint a member at their December meeting. The First Selectman also gave an update on the replacement of the warped fire doors in the hall of flags/gym area.

Reid, Landon, and Alexandra from Mrs. McCleary's Intermediate (3/4) class presented a power point presentation to the board about banning plastic straws in our cafeteria.

Ms. Alexandra Bustillos read a letter to the board expressing her concerns about SBAC test scores.

Motion by D. Rubin seconded by K. Crone to approve the minutes of the special meeting of October 9, 2019. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Correspondence: The Superintendent received an email from Dom Kolosky, Botelle School's computer support technician asking the board to consider donating four computers and monitors that the school has retired and can no longer use to The Institute for American Indian Studies.

Motion by K. Crone seconded by J. Hall to approve the donation of four retired computers and monitors that the Botelle School can no longer use to The Institute for American Indian Studies. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Superintendent's Report: The superintendent reviewed her report with the board. The Superintendent informed the board that the two pole lamps at the entrance of the school have been repaired. Superintendent Iacobelli thanked board member Kim Crone for her 6 years of dedicated service to the board.

Principal's Report: Principal Valentino reviewed her report with the board.

Unfinished Business:

Homework policy – will get feedback from parents at conferences and discuss at a later meeting.
BOE/Administration Goals will be discussed at a later date.

Committee Reports:

PTO/After School Programs: The PTO is looking to purchase display cases for the Hall of Flags to use for trophies/awards and school/town history.

Health/Wellness: Reviewed policy; looking to add healthy recipes to the school's website. Discussed the need to add a new committee member.

New Business:

Colebrook/Norfolk board collaboration – will look to meet sometime in January.

Big slide update – quote to fix slide is at \$4,000

Formation of Finance Sub-Committee—December meeting

Camera for board meetings – will look into

Cameras for playground – will look into

2020-2021 School calendar will vote next month

Board Chair Sally Carr expressed her thanks and appreciation to Kim Crone for her service to the board. She also thanked her for her contribution to the Norfolk After School Program.

Motion by K. Crone **seconded by** D. Rubin to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Lippincott,

BOE Secretary

THESE ARE NOT APPROVED MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING.