MASCONOMET REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

June 23, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: T. Cooper, Chair, Middleton C. Miller, Vice Chair, Boxford

B. Thornborough, Boxford M. Gnoza-Ogden, Topsfield D. Volchok, Boxford K. Prentakis, Middleton K. DeMarco, Boxford J. Ciampa, Middleton Z. Bhuju, Topsfield W. Hodges, Topsfield

MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Pascucci, Middleton

OTHERS PRESENT: M. Harvey, Superintendent

P. Bullard, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services

A. <u>Call to Order</u> – T. Cooper, Chair, called the regular meeting of the School Committee of June 23, 2020 to order at 7:03, p.m. via Zoom Teleconference.

- **B.** Remarks from Chair T. Cooper reviewed the zoom teleconference meeting guidelines.
- **C.** Comments from the Audience None.
- **D.** <u>Coronavirus Response Update</u> M. Harvey recognized the retirees, the retirement celebration will be held next June. The Topsfield town meeting unanimously supported the budget. The town meeting was held for the first time at the Masco stadium. Re-opening guidelines have been delayed to the end of this week.
- E. <u>High School Principal Report</u> P. Delani provided the SC with an update. Book drop-off and locker clean out is complete. P. Delani reviewed the initiatives of the school year, such as the Ronald McDonald House and Anti-Defamation League. He also reviewed the presentation by Dr Bill Daugett. He informed the SC that the goals from the HS Improvement Plan of unimagined spaces was instrumental in navigating teaching this spring. The goals for the year were reviewed. Class size was discussed, both small and large classes. Larger classes will need to be split into smaller size classes. Most classes have between 17-22 students currently.
- **F.** Recognition of School Committee Members Service M. Harvey announced that D. Volchok will be retiring after 18 years of service to the School Committee. He was a 4 time Chairperson and has been an integral part of the School Committee. Each committee member spoke thanking Dan for his service.
- **G.** <u>Timeline for Superintendent's Evaluation</u> M. Harvey reviewed the draft timeline provided which will take several weeks to complete the narrative and the additional documents. It will be ready by July 17, 2020. The individual evaluations from each school committee member is due to the Chair by August, 2020. On September 2nd the School Committee will vote on it.

- **H.** FY20 Financial Forecast. M. Harvey provided an update on the FY20 budget to the SC. \$436,000 favorable to the budget at the end of the year. \$111,000 forecasted to be unfavorable and operating costs are forecasted to be \$547,000 favorable. FY20 yearend close will be done by July 23, 2020. K. Prentakis asked if the extra money needed to be spent.
- **I.** <u>Town Meeting Update</u> Topsfield Town Meeting went well and the budget passed. Middleton's Town Meeting is June 24th and will be streamed live with a lower quorum requirement.
- **J.** Consent Agenda The Consent Agenda was read by T. Cooper. A motion was made by Z. Bhuju and seconded by C. Miller to accept the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

T. Cooper – yes

K. DeMarco – yes

Z. Bhuju – yes

D. Volchok – yes

J. Ciampa – yes

M. Gnoza-Ogden – yes

B. Thornborough – yes

MOTION: To Accept the Consent Agenda

VOTE: 10-0, on a Roll Call Vote, Motion Carried

- W. Hodges inquired about bringing the ABC Program back. This will be addressed over the summer.
- **K.** <u>Adjournment</u> A motion was made by D. Volchok and seconded by K. DeMarco to adjourn at 8:18 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:
T. Cooper – yes
K. DeMarco – yes
Z. Bhuju – yes
J. Ciampa – yes

C. Miller – yes W. Hodges – yes D. Volchok – yes

K. Prentakis –yes

B. Thornborough – yes

MOTION: To Adjourn

M. Gnoza-Ogden – yes

VOTE: 10-0 on a Roll Call vote, Motion Carried

Submitted By: _____ Approved_____ Date

Per the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, the list of documents that were either distributed to the Masconomet School Committee before the meeting in the packet or at the meeting.

- 1. Agenda
- 2. High School Principal's Report
- **3.** Superintendent's Evaluation
- **4.** FY20 Financial Forecast
- 5. Consent Agenda