

SANDWICH SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
May 4, 2022
SANDWICH TOWN HALL

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School Committee Members Present: Mr. DiGiacomo, Ms. Ames, Ms. Bader, Dr. Miller, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Sareault
Members Absent: None
Administration Present: Dr. Gould, Ms. Wiklund
Others: Charlie Holden, Liaison

1)CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mr. DiGiacomo called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and also stated that you may view the meeting by live stream at this time on Sandwich Community TV and that this is being recorded.

2)Executive Session

Meeting started in open session at 6:00 pm and then was motioned to go into Executive Session by Ms. Ames/ Seconded by Dr. Miller.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: Mr. DiGiacomo, Ms. Ames, Ms. Bader, Dr. Miller, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Pell, Mr. Sareault.
Final: 7-0

3)Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated April 6, 2022 **Vote Required**
Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated April 6, 2022 were not voted on.

4)Approval of Policy Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes dated Dec 15, 2021 **Vote Required**
Cannot vote on Sub-Committee in executive session. They need to be voted on during a Sub-Committee meeting.

5)Adjournment from Executive Session and enter into Regular Business Meeting

Ms. Ames motioned to adjourn the executive meeting and move to regular session/Seconded by Dr. Miller.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: Mr. DiGiacomo, Ms. Ames, Ms. Bader, Dr. Miller, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Pell, Mr. Sareault.
Final: 7-0

1) Pledge of Allegiance

2) Public Forum:

- Agenda packets can be found here for review:

<https://www.sandwichk12.org/cms/one.aspx?portalid=27128483&pageid=2793032>

Danielle Beneinda/37 Old Mill Rd - recognized Kerry Ames and Kristi Bader
Becky Milburn/3 Story Lane

3) Superintendent's Update

Dr. Gould thanked everyone for going to the Town Meeting. Huge shout out to Jon Nelson for the work he's done. "Go to the polls"

Ms. Ames said he did such a great job answering every question with confidence.

Athletics have now put out the power rankings. Boys lax is 1 and Girls are 3 Baseball is the middle of the road, Softball is struggling a little bit.



COVID is at 57 positive cases in the schools right now. Dr. Gould would like to thank Ms. Bader for 3 years. Also wanted to thank Ms. Ames for the many hours she has put into being a part of the School Committee.

Ms. Ames spoke about cyberbullying and not having a SRO. Would be a good idea to talk with Chief Wack.

Dr. Miller asked about the proficiency scores. Look at the most recent scores and what impact it has on us.

The board continued speaking about MCAS and proficiency tests.

Ms. Bader would like more information on the MIAA and DEI.

4) New Business

A. Discussion of DEIAC Representation

Mr. DiGiacomo spoke about the benefits of having an admin present in DEIAC meetings. He does feel that Administration should be involved. The Admin are the people that implement and report back as to what is and isn't being done.

Dr. Miller suggests having another workshop with DEIAC because there are trust issues.

Dr. Gould thinks it's not trust its communication.

The board continued the conversation regarding building based DEIAC recommendations. DEIAC has 16 positions. Currently at 15.

5) Old Business

- Budget Update by Michelle Austin

Ms. Austin says the budget is great and that we are in pretty good shape.

6) Acknowledgements

Mr. Fisher said it was great to have a teacher on the committee. Ms. Ames will be missed during negotiations.

Ms. Ames would like to acknowledge the 3 parents that are running for school committee.

Mr. Sareault would like to acknowledge and thank the people that came out Monday night to the Town Meeting. He also thanked Ms. Bader and Ms. Ames for their time serving on the board.

Mr. Pell said he will miss Ms. Ames and Ms. Bader for their knowledge.

Dr. Miller said that Ms. Ames and Ms. Bader were both really helpful and she has learned a lot from both. Thank you and good luck.

Ms. Bader thanked all who voted for her and took a leap of faith. She is honored to have the opportunity and to help serve the community and school. Thank you to everyone who came out to the Town Meeting. Also, thank you to Taylor White for being super helpful. Thank you Vicky and thank you Melissa. Thank you to Ms. Wiklund. Ms. Bader thanked the whole committee individually.

Mr. DiGiacomo thanked everyone who came to the Town Meeting. Mr. DiGiacomo and Dr. Gould presented Ms. Ames and Ms. Bader with gifts.

7) Warrants

Vote Required

Ms. Ames motions to accept the warrants as presented/Seconded by Mr. Sareault.
Pass 6-0-1

8) PTA/PTSA/Special Education PAC/School Council/Board of Selectman Report
None

9) Liaison/Advisory Committee Reports
None

10) Other Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by The Chair
None

11) Public Forum
None

12) Announcements/Closing Remarks
Mr. DiGiacomo announced that the contract for the Superintendent has been finalized.

13) Adjournment

Ms. Ames motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm until the next scheduled meeting on May 18, 2022/Second by Mr. Fisher
Passes 7-0

Meeting is adjourned and the next Regular Business Meeting will be on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 6:00 pm at Sandwich Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by,

Melissa Murphy
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School Committee Recording Secretary

DOCUMENTS USED AT MEETING:
Budget Update

Approved by School Committee May 18, 2022.