

School Committee Members: Art Batacchi, Jane Burke, Dennis Sears, Bonnie Silvers, Jon Bruno, David Travis, Marcella Bush, Danile Kelly, Maryellen Brown, Jeffrey Blaugrund

Administration: Beth Regulbuto, Sandi Hubbard, Amy Lyn, Jesse Carpenter, Judy Houle

Others: George McGurn

1. **Call to Order**

Jane Burke, Chair, called meeting #1579 to order at 6:05 p.m.

Motion to amend the agenda to add the Negotiation Subcommittee report under item 9.

By: Bonnie Silvers

Second: Danile Kelly

Vote: Unanimous

2. **Standing Reports**

a. Approval of School Committee Minutes of meeting #1578

Motion to approve the minutes of school committee meeting #1578 of March 12, 2020

By: Bonnie Silvers

Second: Jon Bruno

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

b. Enrollment

Beth Regulbuto, Superintendent, reported that as of April 1, 2020 enrollment at SBRSD was 683 up by one from last month.

c. Miscellaneous Correspondence - None

3. **Student Representative Report** - None

4. **Student Spotlight** - None

5. **Public Comment** - None

6. **New Business**

a. Update on SBRSD Remote Learning Plan

Beth Regulbuto informed everyone that the Remote Learning Plan had been sent to the school committee, the school community and was also posted on the SBRSD website. The staff will prepare two weeks work and these packets will be distributed to families by the bus company. Packets will also be available for pick-up on Monday between 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Questions and discussion followed.

- b. Update on School Committee Self-Evaluation  
Jane Burke, Chair, reported that following the meeting of February 24<sup>th</sup>, the school committee self-evaluation was completed by nine members. This self-evaluation survey will help with creating operating protocols and address areas of communication and community engagement. Ms. Burke asked the committee what their thoughts were on setting this aside for now with everything going on regarding COVID-19. Consensus was to table this to a later date.

Motion to table review of the School Committee Self-Evaluation till a later date.

By: Dennis Sears

Second: Jeffrey Blaugrund

Vote: Unanimous

- c. Update on School Committee Handbook  
Jane Burke informed the committee that she had a short meeting with Bonnie Silvers regarding the creation of the school committee handbook. She asked that those who were interested in helping with the creation of this document contact her.

7. **Unfinished Business – None**

8. **Business with District Member Towns - None**

9. **Subcommittee Reports**

- a. Finance Subcommittee – D. Sears  
They have not met. Dennis Sears did state that he is involved in FEMA Grant activity to try to get the district some relief of equipment and supplies purchased during this time.  
Judy Houle also mentioned that the State has applied for a waiver on USDA student meal reimbursement, so we may be able to be reimbursed for the meals we are providing.
- b. Policy Subcommittee – D. Sears – No Report
- c. Building, Grounds & Technology – A. Batacchi – No Report
- d. Curriculum Subcommittee – D. Travis has asked Dr. Amy Lyn if they could meet remotely to discuss curriculum.
- e. Executive Evaluation Subcommittee – D. Travis recommended to the school committee that the Superintendent mid cycle review be eliminated for this year.  
Motion to eliminate the Superintendent’s Mid-Cycle Evaluation for this year.  
By: David Travis  
Second: Bonnie Silvers  
Vote: Unanimous
- f. Community Outreach and Input Subcommittee – B. Silvers reported that the subcommittee had met to develop a FY21 Budget document similar to last year. This document will explain why we need support of the budget. They will also send a letter to legislature requesting they look at our district differently with regards to transportation and Chapter 70 funding.
- g. Negotiation Subcommittee – Bonnie Silvers informed the committee that they had met with the Unit A SBREA representatives to create a MOU on remote learning. The negotiation committee had tentatively agreed to approve the MOU.

10. **Chairman’s Report**

11. **Superintendent’s Report**

- Regional Roundtable had met. It was a productive meeting. They will be meeting again on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.
- FY21 budget may have to be 1/12<sup>th</sup> because annual town meetings may be postponed.

- Request that the finance subcommittee meet as soon as convenient to discuss the transportation contract which will need to be renewed.
- Thanked the Administrative Team for all their hard work.

12. **Curriculum & Professional Development Coordinator's Report**

Dr. Lyn reported that she has been working on collecting resources and creating professional development opportunities. She will be sending out information to staff shortly.

13. **Director of Student Services Report**

Sandra Hubbard also thanked all the hard work by the administrative team. Her staff are in contact with parents as needed.

14. **Business Manager's Report**

a. Approval of Warrants: March 20, 2020

Motion to approve the warrant report as presented.

By: Dennis Sears

Second: Bonnie Silvers

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

c. Vote to Accept Grants and Gifts – None

d. Budget Transfers

Motion to approve the Budget Transfers as presented (\$53,132.52)

By: Bonnie Silvers

Second: Dennis Sears

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

15. **Future Agenda Items**

a. College & Career Planning Initiatives for FY21 and Beyond

b. Report of College Submissions

16. **Executive Session at 7:08 p.m.**

Motion to enter executive session to discuss strategy with regard to collective bargaining (SBREA Unit A Memorandum of Agreement regarding remote learning) and to reconvene in open session.

By: Dennis Sears

Second: Bonnie Silvers

Roll Call Vote: Art Batacchi - Yes, Jane Burke - Yes, Dennis Sears - Yes, Bonnie Silvers - Yes, Jon Bruno - Yes, David Travis - Yes, Marcella Bush - Yes, Danile Kelly - Yes, Maryellen Brown – Yes, Jeffrey Blaugrund - Yes

The school committee reconvened in open session at 8:15 p.m.

Motion to approve and ratify the MOU between SBRSD and the SBREA Unit A regarding remote learning as amended.

By: Bonnie Silvers

Second: Dennis Sears

Vote: Unanimous

17. **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

By: Bonnie Silvers

Second: Jeffrey Blaugrund

Vote: Unanimous

Documents presented at this meeting

- Agenda #1579
- Minutes of meeting #1578
- Enrollment as of April 1, 2020
- Warrant Report
- Budget Transfers