

E Board Mtg.
April 14, 2020

Present; Lynn Sullivan, Michele Mongeon, Cynthia Arnold. Bill Parsons, Eric Perryman, Eileen Harvey, Donna Avery, Kerry Stamm, Rob Brown

The meeting opened with discussion on the school calendar and the varying opinions of keeping April vacation or working straight through and getting out 4 days earlier. Opinions are pretty split on the pros and cons of this issue. The decision was made by the school committee that we will keep April break on the calendar. Bill will have a discussion with the superintendent about perhaps "crediting" those days and getting out a bit earlier for the summer as Westborough has been successfully applying remote learning much longer than other districts in the state.

The treasurer's report was presented by Donna and with a motion and a second was unanimously accepted by the board.

Bill spoke to some of the issues that remote working has brought to the forefront at this time. Bill and Daniel will be discussing and reconvening the evaluation team to discuss evaluations both formative and summative and those staff members on assistance plans.

Para evaluations and how they will be done at this time is also in question. With regard to paras, there is a feeling that there could be more direction from administration with regard to the duties and responsibilities during this time. The para contract needs to be ratified by its members, the suggestion is for an online google form type of vote during this time and a Motion was made to suspend the constitution with regard to the para contract vote for 2020. This was seconded and approved.

This is the time of year when building rep elections happen and because of the current situation, it was suggested that these elections be suspended for the time being. A motion was made to suspend the building rep elections until the Fall when we are back in school. It was seconded and approved.

We were updated on the status of scholarship applications. As of today, only 2 applications have been received. It was decided to extend the deadline to April 30, 2020.

There was some discussion on the proposed change of schedule times at the high school and Gibbons. There is quite a bit of concern and displeasure on the proposed increase in homework time. Bill is prepared to push back hard on this proposal. However, at this time, we believe this to be a proposal and expect discussion to take place with department heads and other staff, our reaction will be voiced pending any directive.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm. Next month's meeting is May 12, 2020.

Respectively submitted,
Michele Mongeon

