

MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (MVRHS)

School Committee Meeting

Monday, November 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Library or Zoom

Present: Chair – Robert Lionette, Roxanne Ackerman, Skipper Manter, Kris O'Brien *, Kathryn Shertzer*

Staff: *Zoom:* Vice Chair – Kimberly Kirk*, Jennifer Cutrer*, Louis Paciello, Michael Watts*
Principal – Sara Dingley, Assistant Principal – Jeremy Light, Director of Guidance & Counseling – John Fiorito, Student Intervention Coordinator – Sheryl Taylor Thompson, Research Specialist – Kim Garrison, Finance Director – Suzanne Cioffi, IT Director – Rick Mello, Athletic Director – Mark McCarthy, Facilities Director – Mike Taus, Transportation Assistant – Chyenne Ward

Supt.'s Office: Superintendent – Richard M. Smith, Ed.D., Asst. Superintendent of Operations, Facilities & School Projects – John Stevens, School Business Administrator – Mark Friedman, Director of Student Support Services – Hope MacLeod

Towns/County: Vice Chair Chilmark Select Board – Warren M. Doty, Tisbury – Mary Ellen Larsen, West Tisbury – Clark Rattet

Press: MV Times – Eunki Seonwoo, Vineyard Gazette – Thomas Humphrey

Recorder: Teresa Kruszewski *Late arrivals or early departures of MVRHS SC members

*Kimberly Kirk arrived at 6:05 PM and left at 8:15 PM.

*Jennifer Cutrer arrived at 6:15 PM.

*Michael Watts arrived at 6:15 PM.

*Kris O'Brien left at 8:15 PM.

*Kathryn Shertzer left at 8:15 PM.

Call to Order

The meeting of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Committee (MVRHS SC) was called to order at 6:04 PM by Chair Robert Lionette; all votes would be taken by roll call. Public participation was encouraged, and asked to use the Zoom 'hand raise' feature to be recognized. The meeting was recorded; video cameras were asked to be turned off except for MVRHS SC members or Administrators or when actively participating; attendees were asked to identify themselves with first and last names. (*Recorder's Note: Discussions are summarized and grouped for clarity and brevity.*)

Welcome - Chair

(Agenda Item #I)

Chair Lionette said many comments about last weekend came from alumni, students, families and interested parties; it was well done. He said there was an opportunity to build on the real successes and thanked all that were involved.

Public Comment

(Agenda Item #II)

Roxanne Ackerman reminded everyone to vote tomorrow during the Up Island School Committee Member elections.

Routine Reports

(Agenda Item #III)

A. Student Report

1. Student Report of Activities:

The Junior Class Vice President had nothing new to report for activities; they continued to work on more engagement with the student body.

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B. Principal

1. Follow Up: Student Questions:

Principal Sara Dingley and Assistant Principal Jeremy Light recapped the discussions and steps that had taken place regarding tardiness and the multiple administrator responses to those questions.

Principal Dingley said they were sending one email blast weekly, with more concise information to update parents, for improved communications.

She said the school and guidance websites had helpful information for the next steps toward college; John Fiorito said students were always welcomed to visit the guidance office for individual discussions. *(Please see document on file for details: APPROVED MVRHS SC Minutes October 3, 2022 Meeting.pdf, Routine Reports (Agenda Item #III) A. Student Report 1. Student Report of Activities: pg 2.)*

2. I-CARE Support Role (Kim Garrison):

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO APPROVE A GRANT FUNDED ONE-YEAR-ONLY .40 ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL POSITION; ROXANNE ACKERMAN SECONDED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MS. CUTRER—AYE, MS. KIRK—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MS. O'BRIEN—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE, MS. SHERTZER—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.

3. MCAS Data:

Principal Dingley screen shared the Accountability Data and noted there was improvement. The areas measured for student performance included English and Math; she shared additional data points for comparison. She said results were mailed to the 10th graders last week for the spring testing; they could also talk directly with their guidance counselors. Committee members were pleased with the outcome and congratulated Principal Dingley and staff; they acknowledged the challenges from COVID - 19. *(Please see the document on file for details.)*

Principal Dingley said a letter of appreciation was sent to each of the AP (advanced placement) Spanish students that helped with translation for the Venezuelan Migrants [that arrived in September] from the Chief Executive Officer of the College Board to honor what they did. Chair Lionette encouraged Principal Dingley to share the letter with the community as it was a testament to the students and staff that supported them.

C. Superintendent

1. General Report:

Superintendent Richard M. Smith said great things were going on at the school and was very proud of what was happening; he screen-shared the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools Enrollment Census Worksheet that would inform the on-going budget conversations.

2. Non-Union Salary Adjustments:

Tabled.

Consents: Votes Required

(Agenda Item #IV)

A. Minutes:

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2022, OCTOBER 3, 2022 AND OCTOBER 6, 2022 MVRHS SC MINUTES AS WRITTEN; KRIS O'BRIEN SECONDED;

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MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS.

MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MS. CUTRER—AYE, MS. KIRK—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MS. O'BRIEN—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE, MS. SHERTZER—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.

B. Personnel:

- ◆ Brian Jakusik, in a letter dated October 19, 2022, requested medical leave with return on 2/1/2023.
- ◆ Amy Crawford, in a letter, wrote: it is my intention to take the business position and change my contract from .5 to 1.0 and retain my personal and sick days. I will remain in the position until Brian returns.

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REQUESTS AS PRESENTED; KRIS O'BRIEN SECONDED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MS. CUTRER—AYE, MS. KIRK—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MS. O'BRIEN—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE, MS. SHERTZER—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.

C. Grants and Donations:

Peter and Elizabeth Tower Foundation/Private:	\$100,000.00
The NEA Foundation/Private:	\$3500.00
Integrating SEL DESE/Fed/State:	\$19,988.00
The Sound Foundation/Private:	\$16,650.00

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED ACCEPT THE GRANTS AS PRESENTED; KRIS O'BRIEN SECONDED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MS. CUTRER—AYE, MS. KIRK—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MS. O'BRIEN—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE, MS. SHERTZER—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.

D. Out of State and Overnight Travel:

<u>Cross Country</u>	11/18-11/19/22 traveling to Fort Devens/Devens MA
<u>Boys Basketball</u>	12/9 & 12/10/22 Windsor, CT/Westfield, MA
<u>Boys Junior Varsity Ice Hockey</u>	12/28-12/29/22 University of New Hampshire/Dover NH
<u>Boys Varsity Ice Hockey</u>	12/28-12/30/22 University of New Hampshire
<u>MV Girls Hockey</u>	12/30-12/31/22 Boston Latin Academy

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO APPROVE THE OVERNIGHT/OUT OF STATE TRAVEL AS PRESENTED; KRIS O'BRIEN SECONDED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MS. CUTRER—AYE, MS. KIRK—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MS. O'BRIEN—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE, MS. SHERTZER—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.

E. Full School Committee Meeting November 28 to approve FY24 Budget:

Members agreed to put a placeholder on the calendar for 6:00 PM.

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F. Budget Public Hearing November 29, in Person, Zoom or Hybrid:

Members agreed to hold a hybrid meeting in the Library at 7:00 PM; the date and time would be posted immediately to fulfill the legal requirements for posting.

Finance

(Agenda Item #V)

A. Revenue and Expenditures:

Tabled.

B. Federal Grants Procurement and Accounting Policies & Procedures:

Tabled.

MSBA/ Regional Agreement

(Agenda Item #VI)

A. Regional Agreement Update:

Asst. Superintendent John Stevens gave a quick overview of the Feasibility Study costs and looked forward to giving the full presentation at the November 15, 2022 meeting; materials would be shared ahead of time for review.

B. MSBA: Remaining Nominees for Building Committee:

Tabled.

C. MSBA: Meeting Schedule for Building Committee:

Tabled.

D. MSBA Deliverables Due November 30:

Tabled.

SubCommittee Update

(Agenda Item #VII)

A. Budget:

1. MSBA Feasibility Study Amount and Funding Approach

Tabled.

B. Facilities:

1. FY 24 Capital Improvement Plan

Michael Watts, Chair of the Facilities Sub-Committee, said this Plan was not ready for review.

2. Bus Lot

Brissette Electric was running the needed electricity to the current location to maintain the new electric buses and the existing diesel buses through the winter months; this was a temporary solution.

C. Transportation:

Kimberly Kirk, Chair of the Transportation Sub-Committee, said the consultant was completing phase two of the study and would present at the November 17, 2022 meeting at 8:30 AM. The FY24 budget would be reviewed as well.

D. Athletics Sub-Committee Membership:

The Sub-Committee would meet once a month; VC Kirk would act as initial Chair of this newly formed Sub-Committee; self identified membership was as follows (five members, one alternate):

Louis Paciello, Kathryn Shertzer, Kimberly Kirk, Michael Watts, Kris O'Brien; alternate ?

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Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair/Announcements

(Agenda Item #VII)

Chair Lionette read into the record, the letter from Elizabeth Folcarelli, Chief Executive Officer of Martha's Vineyard Community Services (MVCS), requesting that Harbor Homes of Martha's Vineyard (HHMV) be able to run their homeless shelter for a second year, to open on November 27, 2022. She indicated that there were no incidents and that it was in a perfect location.

Discussion:

- ❖ Members said the necessary details and documents needed to be in place for this request (2022); they were not opposed and understood time was of the essence; updating the 2021 approved documentation was necessary to move forward.
- ❖ A documented contract was necessary for the lease agreement as an *alternate landlord*, to proceed.
- ❖ It was noted there were no issues reported from the prior year; Principal Dingley said she would not change the program of 2021 as it ran smoothly.
- ❖ Members recommended inviting HHMV representatives [as no one was present] to make a presentation at the November 15th, 2022 meeting.
- ❖ Members discussed the approval process and terms from 2021, as it was understood to be a one-year-only request; they needed to understand the long term/future plans for the space. Would this become an annual request? How was the space being used when the shelter was not operational?

(Please see documents of file for details: APPROVED Joint Meeting MVRHSC and Land Use Sub-Committee January 10.pdf AND DRAFT Land Use Sub-Committee January 3.pdf)

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM HARBOR HOMES OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD TO USE THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMUNITY SERVICES PROPERTY AS THEY DID LAST YEAR CONTINGENT ON THE APPROVAL OF THE DIFFERENT BOARDS OF THE TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS TO BE IN PLACE WITH ALL THE CONTINGENCIES THAT WERE PART OF THE 2021 AGREEMENT, FOR PERMISSION TO BE GRANTED, TO BEGIN ON NOVEMBER 27, 2022, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR TO SIGN THE LEGALLY BINDING DOCUMENTS; KRIS O'BRIEN SECONDED. MOTION PASSED: 6 AYES, 3 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MS. CUTRER—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MS. O'BRIEN—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE. MS. KIRK—NAY, MR. PACIELLO—NAY & MS. SHERTZER—NAY.

Adjournment

(Agenda Item #IX)

Members discussed the importance and urgency to act upon *Agenda Item # III, C, 2, Non-Union Salary Adjustments*, but that the evening was getting late and the MVRHS SC was going to lose quorum; adjournment was the only option.

SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MVRHS SC MEETING AT 8:16 PM; ROXANNE ACKERMAN SECONDED. MOTION PASSED: 5 AYES, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. CUTRER—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE. MS. ACKERMAN—NAY.

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Appendix A - Meetings/Events

- MVRHS SC – Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 5:00 PM
- MVRHS SC – Monday, November 28, 2022 at 6:00 PM
- PUBLIC HEARING – Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Appendix B - Agreed Upon Tasks: NONE.

Appendix C - Documents on File:

- Agenda MVRHS SC 11.7.22.docx
- Data 2022.pdf
- III. C. 1. College Board Letter.pdf
- IV. A. DRAFT Minutes MVRHS SC OCTOBER 6 Special Meeting.pdf
- IV. A. DRAFT MVRHS SC Minutes October 3, 2022 Meeting.pdf
- IV. A. DRAFT MVRHS SC Minutes September 12, 2022 Meeting.pdf
- IV. B. Amy Crawford Ltrr_.docx
- IV. B. Brian Jakusik ltrr.docx
- IV. C. MVHRS School Committee Grants Memo 11072022 (1).docx
- IV. D. BJV hockey to UNH.pdf
- IV. D. Boys Basketball to Windsor CT..pdf
- IV. D. BVH to UNH.pdf
- IV. D. Girls Hockey 2022.pdf
- IV. D. Out of State and Overnight Travel.MVRHS girls 2022.pdf
- IV. D. XC States.pdf
- IV. F. Golf School Boys.docx
- IV. F. Golf States.pdf

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Kruszewski – Recorder

December 5, 2022

Date

Robert Lionette – MVRHS SC Chair

Date

Richard M. Smith, Ed.D. – MVRHSD Superintendent

Date

APPROVED DECEMBER 5, 2022