

MARTHA’S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (MVRHS)/*Special Meeting*
School Committee Meeting
Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Library/Zoom

Present: Chair – Robert Lionette, Roxanne Ackerman, Jennifer Cutrer, Kris O'Brien, Louis Paciello, Michael Watts
Zoom: Vice Chair (VC) – Kimberly Kirk, Skipper Manter, Kathryn Shertzer,
Staff: Principal – Sara Dingley, Coordinator of Pathways and Special Projects – Samuel Hart, Finance Director – Suzanne Cioffi
Supt.'s Office: Superintendent – Richard M. Smith, Ed.D., School Business Administrator – Mark Friedman
Towns/County: Chilmark – Vicki Divoll, Oak Bluffs – Maura McGroarty, Tisbury – Nancy B Gilfoy, West Tisbury – Greg Orcutt
Press: MVTimes – Eunki Seonwoo, Vineyard Gazette – Louisa Hufstader
Recorder: Teresa Kruszewski

Please note: All business will consist of a discussion and possible *vote* to take action.

Call to Order:

The meeting of the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School School Committee (MVRHS SC) was called to order at 6:02 PM by Chair Robert Lionette. The meeting was recorded; video cameras were asked to be turned off except for MVRHSC 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 Opening Remarks:

(Agenda Item #I)

Chair Lionette welcomed everyone. He said Aquinnah followed the path of West Tisbury and Chilmark and did not approve the budget; we now have more than the litigation strategies and settlement offers to address/resolve.

FY24 Budget Discussion

(Agenda Item #II)

Chair Lionette recapped the following to be discussed:

1. The statutory requirements and the items raised by the Towns of West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah; the things that needed to be addressed before their Special Town Meetings.
2. The \$518,000 differential and the strict 1/12 budget and what that meant.

*MICHAEL WATTS MOVED TO RE-CERTIFY THE BUDGET AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED;
LOUIS PACIELLO SECONDED. MOTION PASSED: 7 AYES, 2 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. CUTRER—AYE,
MS. KIRK—AYE, MR. LIONETTE—AYE, MR. PACIELLO—AYE, MS. SHERTZER—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.
MR. MANTER—NAY & MS. ACKERMAN—NAY.*

(Agenda Item #III)

Executive session, subject to the chairs declaration, to discuss litigation strategy, pursuant to G.L.c. 30A s21(a)(3), in the matter of Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School versus the Oak Bluffs Planning Board, and the Town of Oak Bluffs Land Court NO. 22 MISC 000294

Vote to reconvene to return to open public session.

N/A.

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Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair/Announcements:
None.

(Agenda Item #IV)

Adjournment:

(Agenda Item #V)

LOUIS PACIELLO MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MVRHS SC MEETING AT 6:56 PM; 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.

Documents on File:

- 1) Agenda MVRHS SC 5.11.23
- 2) Communication from the Town of Tisbury voters

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Kruszewski – Recorder

November 6, 2023

Date

Robert Lionette – MVRHSC Chair

Date

Richard M. Smith, Ed.D – MVRHSD Superintendent

Date

APPROVED NOVEMBER 6, 2023