

ALL ISLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MARTHA’S VINEYARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SUPERINTENDENCY UNION #19

Edgartown School Committee

Oak Bluffs School Committee

Tisbury School Committee

Martha’s Vineyard Regional School District

Up Island Regional School District

5:30PM, Thursday, February 1, 2024

In person only at MVRHS Library

Present:	Chair – Amy Houghton (Tis)
Up-Island	Roxanne Ackerman (5:43), Robert Lionette, Alex Salop (5:37), Jim Newman, Skipper Manter
Tisbury	Jennifer Cutrer, Mike Watts
Oak Bluffs	Rizwan Malik, Kathryn Shertzer (5:35),
Edgartown	Louis Paciello
Shared Services Office	Richie Smith- Superintendent, Mark Friedman- School Business Administrator, Hope MacLeod- Director of Special Education
Other	Ellie Parece – Recorder, Luisa Hufstader – Vineyard Gazette, MVTV, Andy Italiano – MVDC, Alicia Barnes, Rick Mello

I. Call to Order

The All-Island School Committee (AISC) meeting was called to order at 5:42pm.

II. Approval of Minutes including but not limited to December 7, 2023

MR. SALOP MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 7, 2023. MR NEWMAN SECONDED THE MOTION

ROLL CALL: *HOUGHTON – AYE, CUTRER – AYE, PACIELLO – AYE, LIONETTE -AYE, MALIK -AYE, NEWMAN – AYE, WATTS – AYE, MANTER - AYE*

Motion passes 8-0-0

III. Chair General Remarks

A. Committee Norms and 2024/2025 School Committee Goal Setting

Chair Houghton began the meeting by commenting that we had begun to review our policies through MASC and that the school committee needs to create their own bylaws and code of ethics. She asked the group for a consensus to move forward and establish a policy manual. Mr, Lionette suggested creating a working group to create a draft that the full committee can review. Superintendent Smith commented that MASC is currently reviewing our policies and his goal is to create a policy manual for the school system. Chair Houghton responded that its her job to help new members understand the policies. A committee was formed with Jim Newman, Katherine Shertzer and Amy Houghton. Chair Houghton distributed a code of ethics and reminded committee members to take the course with MASC.

B. February AISC meeting location-tabled

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IV. Superintendent Report

A. Approval of Appendix A

Tabled until next meeting

B. MASC Review of Policies Update

Superintendent Smith informed the committee that Jim Hardy was commissioned to review school policies and crosswalk those then advise what we are missing and help to compose them. He added that his mentor, Meg May Brown, created a policy manual in her district and it was a 3-year endeavor

V. Personnel- Resignation

Superintendent Smith presented a resignation for bridge ESP Chloe Benoit.

MS. SHERTZER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESIGNATION. MR MALIK SECONDED THE MOTION

ROLL CALL: *HOUGHTON – AYE, CUTRER – AYE, SHERTZER – AYE, LIONETTE -AYE, ACKERMAN- AYE, MALIK -AYE, SALOP- AYE, NEWMAN – AYE, WATTS – AYE, PACIELLO -AYE, MANTER -AYE*

Motion passes 11-0-0

VI. New/Old Business

A. Universal Pre-School Task Force Update-out of order

Mr Salop stated that there wasn’t a lot to report but he was working to solidify a committee.

B. Roundtable- What’s happening in your district? Report from chairs-out of order

Ms. Shertzler reported that the high school budget meeting was Monday. Mr. Friedman added that they now have an OPM under contract and they are looking for an architect/designer.

Mr. Newman reported that Chilmark select board approved space for a preschool with an anticipated opening of Fall 2025. Mr. Salop added that the budget has been approved and they are moving forward with the search for a new Chilmark principal.

Mr. Malik reported that OB approved their budget and they were meeting with the Fincom on the 25th with lots of conversation around boilers

Mr. Watts reported that Tisbury budget should be approved next week. He also stated that the plan was to move into the new building in the Fall. He commented that the new electric/HVAC system is very advanced and may require a specialist to run the system. Overall progress is good on the new building with windows going in and massive electric feeds needed.

C. Superintendent Contract Renewal Update- Possible Vote

Chair Houghton informed the committee that a proposal was presented to the superintendent and he had come back with questions and possible changes so she recommended entering executive session. Mr. Manter stated that this was an opportunity to shine and do this in a public session as it was all in good faith.

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VII. Executive Session – G.L.c.30A Section 21(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel

MR. SALOP MADE A MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONDUCT STRATEGY SESSIONS IN PREPARATION FOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH NONUNION PERSONNEL OR TO CONDUCT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSIONS OR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH NON UNION PERSONNEL. MR NEWMAN SECONDED THE MOTION

ROLL CALL: *HOUGHTON – AYE, CUTRER – AYE, SHERTZER- AYE,, LIONETTE -AYE, ACKERMAN- AYE, MALIK -AYE, SALOP- AYE, NEWMAN – AYE, WATTS – AYE, PACIELLO -AYE, MANTER -NAY*

Motion passes 10-1-0

The committee entered executive session at 6:19 and returned to open session at 7:00

VIII. Adjournment

MR. SALOP MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. MR MALIK SECONDED THE MOTION

ROLL CALL: *HOUGHTON – AYE, CUTRER – AYE, SHERTZER- AYE, LIONETTE -AYE, ACKERMAN- AYE, MALIK -AYE, SALOP- AYE, NEWMAN – AYE, WATTS – AYE, PACIELLO -AYE, MANTER -AYE*

Motion passes 11-0-0

Meeting adjourned 7:04

Minutes submitted by Ellie Parece

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