

**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**

**6:00pm, Thursday, November 7th, 2024
Zoom Meeting**

Present	Vice Chair – Alex Salop (UI)
Up-Island	Roxanne Ackerman, Robert Lionette, Skipper Manter,
Tisbury	Jennifer Cutrer, Mike Watts
Oak Bluffs	Rizwan Malik, Kathryn Shertzer, Laurel Schneider
Edgartown	Kelly Scott
Shared Services Office	Richie Smith – Superintendent, Mark Friedman – School Business Administrator, Hope MacLeod – Director of Special Education (left at 6:28pm)

I. Call to Order

The All-Island School Committee (AISC) meeting was called to order at 6:02pm.

II. Finance – FY26 Budget

Superintendent Smith discussed the second version of the budget, including the plan for a single new Assistant Superintendent position. Flow chart presented. Pink positions currently exist in the office at this time. Light blue areas are coordinators that fall under the directors. The area on the top shows the responsibilities of new Assistant Superintendent position. This budget moves from a two Assistant Superintendent model to the one Assistant Superintendent model. This second budget version has additional cuts.

Budget #2D2 Summary Increase \$1,289,461 up 13.82%

- Contractual Increase \$734,842, up 7.87%
- SPED Increase \$284,093, up 3.04%.
Cut from last proposed budget
 - \$112,672 1 Bridge/Compass Teacher
- Central Office Increase \$270,526
Cut from last proposed budget
 - \$100,000 Assistant Superintendent
 - \$49,636 Behavioral Health Ed Coordinators Salary

Detail of budget has been sent to all committee members by email.

Committee member appreciative of Superintendent taking another look at the budget and supporting the Towns. Committee members would like a breakout of the contractual figures (wages vs health increases). Members would like speech and language pathologist ratios from other districts to support these budget decisions.

Ms. MacLeod explained reasoning for the cutting of the one Bridge/Compass Teacher. Superintendent Smith discussed the Behavioral Health Ed Contracted Services still in the budget. Still actively looking at grants to help with direct clinical services.

Committee member asked about Assistant Superintendent position and relationship to transportation director. Superintendent Smith responded the roll of oversight for transportation is central due to oversight of both financial and operation. It’s a regional/all island department.

Mr. Salop brought up if we are to move forward with one Assistant Superintendent instead of 2 Assistant Superintendent model, how we can still ensure that we are moving forward in a way to rise up all of our schools and improving both consistence and results in curriculum. Superintendent Smith responded he has consulted with others in administration that all are confident with this model. This model will be supportive of the central office and sensitive to the cost impact on the towns. Striking a balance with this budget, that this budget model will address the areas of concern that the committee has.

III. AISC Negotiation Sub-Committee Membership

Changes in membership. In order to conduct the open meeting law with a 12 member committee, we must have a quorum of 7 members present. Discussion on the membership numbers being 11 members with a quorum of 6 members present. Vote tonight on the number for the membership and representation on the negotiation subcommittee.

- Edgartown (1 school committee member and 1 municipal member)
- Oak Bluffs (1 school committee member and 1 municipal member)
- Tisbury (1 school committee member and 1 municipal member)
- Chilmark (1 school committee member and 1 municipal member)
- West Tisbury (1 school committee member and 1 municipal member)
- Aquinnah (1 municipal membership only).

Membership would be 11 members which would be a quorum of 6.

MR. WATTS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE MEMBERSHIP. MS. SCHNEIDER SECONDED.

ROLL CALL: SCOTT – AYE, MANTER – AYE, LIONETTE – AYE, ACKERMAN – AYE, WATTS – AYE, SCHNEIDER – AYE, CUTRER – AYE, SHERTZER – AYE, MALIK – AYE, SALOP – AYE
Motion passes 10-0-0

IV. Negotiations Update

Negotiations have started up again. An employer side only meeting and a full meeting have taken place. More dates have been solidified going forward, November 18, December 18, and two more meetings in January. Also meeting on the employer side, a public meeting on November 14. No Executive Session needed.

V. Adjournment

MS. SCHNEIDER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. MS. SHERTZER SECONDED.

ROLL CALL: MALIK – AYE, MANTER - AYE, SCOTT – AYE, ACKERMAN – AYE, SCHNEIDER – AYE, CUTRER – AYE, SHERTZER – AYE, WATTS – AYE, LIONETTE – AYE, SALOP – AYE,
Motion passes 10-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 6:52PM.

Documents on File:

- Organizational Flow Chart
- FY26 Budget Version #2D2 Summary
- FY26 Budget Version #2D2 Detail

Minutes submitted by Kristen Lepine

Minutes approved 12/19/24