MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
School Committee Meeting
Monday, June 22, 2026 at 5:30 pm
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Present:	Chair - Skipper Manter, Jen Cutrer, Marsha Shufrin, Elliott Bennett, Rizwan Malik, Kathryn Shertzer Zoom: Amy Houghton, Sarah Murphy*
Staff:	Principal - Sean Mulvey, Finance Director - Suzanne Cioffi, Director of Operations - Sam Hart, Assistant Principal - Justine DeOliveira, Technology Director - Rick Mello, Athletic Director - Mark McCarthy Zoom: Assistant Transportation Director - Chyenne Ward
Supt's Office:	Superintendent - Richie Smith, School Business Administrator - Mark Friedman, Director of Student Support Services - Hope MacLeod Zoom: Grants Coordinator - Bernadette Cormie*
Recorder:	Rebecca Claussen

*indicates late arrival

Please note: All business will consist of a discussion and possible *vote* to take action.
(Recorder's Note: Discussions are summarized and grouped for clarity and brevity)

I. Welcome - Chair
Chair Skipper Manter called this meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

Votes Required

II. Routine Reports
A. School Building Project Update
1. Vote to Approve Massachusetts School Building Authority Funding Agreement Motions
Sam Hart presented on behalf of the MVRHS School Building Committee, with four motions in need of approval, which will allow the district to enter into a funding agreement with the MSBA.
Motion 1: To enter into and be bound by the Project Funding Agreement between the District and the Massachusetts School Building Authority and any amendments thereto.
Motion 2: That the Superintendent of Schools for the Martha's Vineyard Regional School District (the "District") is hereby appointed and authorized by and on behalf of the District to execute and deliver the Project Funding Agreement between the District and the Massachusetts School Building Authority and any and all exhibits and amendments thereto (the "Agreement") on behalf of the District and to bind the District to the terms and conditions of such Agreement for or relating to the Proposed Project at the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School for construction of repairs and renovations or new construction of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School located at 100

Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road in the Town of Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts (the "Project").

Motion 3: That the Superintendent of Schools for the Martha's Vineyard Regional School District (the "District") is hereby appointed and authorized by and on behalf of the District to make final, binding decisions with respect to the Project described in the Project Funding Agreement, and any amendments thereto, on behalf of the District.

Motion 4: That Rebecca Claussen, as Secretary/Recorder for the School Committee for the District, is hereby authorized to provide the MSBA and legal counsel for the School Committee with a certification that such votes were taken by the School Committee and such certification may be so provided prior to final approval of the minutes of this meeting.

Rizwan Malik made a motion to approve the 4 motions as written above, seconded by Marsha Shufin. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.

Motion Passes: 8-0-0

B. Principal

1. General Update

Sean Mulvey gave a brief update which included the graduation of the class of 2026, those students earned and were awarded over $1 million on scholarships on class night and the Girls Tennis Team won States.

2. Mascot Update - Possible Vote

Sean discussed this topic to start, where the student lead project voted on a Mako Shark as a potential mascot for the school. There is continued conversation needed but the students are hopeful to move forward with fundraising and purchasing the costume with the hope to have this ready for the fall. The intention is not to replace the Fisherman, this would be in addition to. This came about from the Spirit Club, and how they are working to increase engagement. The students felt the Mako reflected the school's values, which are being a Resilient Goal Setter, an Adaptable Thinker and a Mindful Communicator. Mako Sharks are found in the waters surrounding Martha's Vineyard, the heaviest Mako ever caught was caught here during the Monster Shark Tournament which is replicated and displayed at Nancy's Restaurant. Kathryn does not feel as though this should move forward without policy, with no process and no accountability. Amy agreed with Kathryn's statement, and has heard through the grapevine there are concerns about the Fisherman, that has not been brought to the committee to be discussed but it was part of the original branding and should be part of the discussion. Anecdotally speaking, Sean has heard "it is not a cheerful thing", "it feels gender specific", "not as colorful as it could be", and does not feel as though it is as popular as it once was. Kathryn was told anecdotally that high level administration was told not to support the fisherman and that it wasn't allowed to be used. *Marsha Shufrin made a motion to support allowing the students to purchase the Mako costume, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Abstain, Bennett - Abstain, Malik - Abstain, Shertzer - Nay, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*

Motion Fails: 4-1-3

3. Circuit Arts Documentary on Girls Tennis Team Season - Possible Vote

Mark McCarthy attended to discuss a proposal made by Circuit Arts to possibly create a documentary on the Girls Tennis Team, their season and their State win. Nick Vukota from the MV times was approached by Tim Brasinko from Circuit Arts to create a documentary somewhere in the realm of what it takes to be a State Champion, with the possibility of filming students both on campus and at Vineyard Family Tennis. The hope would be to start filming just after July 4, 2026, but the project is also still in the development stages. Given the timing of the School Committee meetings, Mark wanted to bring this up as soon as possible. Mark and Sean are seeking permission for Vineyard Circuit Arts and the MV times to come on campus and film the players likely over the summer. After a brief discussion, the committee requested the appropriate facility use forms be completed, and return to present and discuss more in depth what the intentions are at the next School Committee meeting occurring on July 6, 2026.

C. Superintendent

1. General Update

a) Non-union Salaries

Richie started a screen share, with the proposed salaries for non-union employees. This document shows a 5% salary increase for each listed staff person. The two funding lines have a total of $82,400 for FY27, and this total increase amount is $80,433. Kathryn expressed having a hard time supporting this as 3.5% is what was budgeted. *Elliott Bennett made a motion to approve the 5% increase for non-union staff as recommended by the superintendent, seconded by Marsha Shufrin. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Nay, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Abstain, Shertzer - Nay, Cutrer - Abstain, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*

Motion Fails: 4-2-2

Kathryn made a motion to approve a 3.5% COLA for the non-union salary positions listed. There was no second for this motion.

2. Sean Mulvey Contract for FY 26 (Vote)

Richie discussed a proposal for Sean whose contract ends on June 30, 2026, and his contract as a guidance counselor does not start officially back until a few days prior to the start of the school year. There is FY26 rollover work to be done, and having Sean available to assist Bryan Lombardi who starts on July 1, 2026, would be helpful to the transition. Richie proposed $28,464 for Sean to do that work, with Suzanne taking a moment to address funding sources, having this split between the 4 summer pay cycles at $7,116 per cycle. This is considered part of the FY26 contract so this amount can be encumbered from the FY26 budget, from the non-contract salaries line which has $35,000 remaining from FY26. The contract dates would be July 1, 2026 through August 21, 2026. Elliott did ask if there was a precedent in these types of positions, to which Richie expressed there was, which was Sara Dingledy, but that transition did not occur in this proposed way. Skipper feels this situation is a bit different, given the incoming Principal is new to the island, and there will also be a new Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent. Amy asked if there were any written expectations of this role, to which there is not, but Richie feels strongly that Sean will be able to set his role boundaries once the year starts and he resumes his guidance role. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to the contract for Sean Mulvey from July 1, 2026 through August 21, 2026 in the amount of $28,464 to transition the position and close out FY26, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*

Motion Passes: 8-0-0

3. YMCA Request for MVRHS SC Chairperson's Signature on Estoppel Certificate Regarding Expansion

Tim Hanifin, Chief Financial Officer, of the YMCA Martha's Vineyard attended to present an Estoppel Certificate in need of a vote from the School Committee for the YMCA building project. With Tim stating this certificate is asking for "certifications and representations and warrants that, once these things are agreed upon, they don't change from the date going forward". After speaking with Richie, he and Skipper both agreed counsel should review the document, but in order to expedite, the committee could vote to approve and authorize the chair to sign, after the advice of counsel is obtained. *Jen Cutrer made a motion to authorize the chair to sign once legal counsel has approved, and would be allowed to make minor threshold changes, seconded by Rizwan Malik. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*

Motion Passes: 8-0-0

Votes Required

III. Consents

A. Minutes: May 21, 2026, May 28, 2026, June 1, 2026, & June 9, 2026

Rizwan Malik made a motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2026, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Abstain, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Abstain, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 6-0-2
Rizwan Malik made a motion to approve the minutes of May 28, 2026, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Abstain, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Abstain, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 6-0-2
Rizwan Malik made a motion to approve the minutes of June 1, 2026, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Abstain, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 7-0-1
Rizwan Malik made a motion to approve the minutes of June 9, 2026, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Abstain, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 7-0-1

B. Personnel

1. **Jane McGroarty Sampaio Resignation**
   Jane McGroarty Sampaio submitted a letter of resignation from her role as ELL Teacher and Department chair at the end of this academic year. *Amy Houghton made a motion to acknowledge the resignation, seconded by Kathryn Shertzer. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
   Motion Passes: 8-0-0

C. Grants and Donations

1. **Grants for Acceptance**
   No grants to accept for today’s meeting.
2. **Car Donation**
   Per Sam Hart there is a 2002 Honda CRV donated by a community member from West Tisbury, Nancy Hoffman and Robert Schwartz, with a bluebook value of $3,275, and title in possession. Ken Ward, Auto Program Director would gladly accept it for his students. The last Honda donated, the entire engine was removed by the students and placed in another vehicle. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to accept the donated Honda CRV for Mr. Ward of the CTE Automotive Program, seconded by Rizwan Malik. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
   Motion Passes: 8-0-0

D. Out-of-State and Overnight Travel

There is a Girls Tennis out-of-state, day trip, to attend the Tennis Hall of Fame in Newport, Rhode Island, brought forth by Alison Daigle, a graduate of MVRHS and former Tennis Player, who now works at the Tennis Hall of Fame. There will be recognition to the team for winning the State Championship during a Women in Sports Panel discussion and students will have the opportunity to meet players in the Women’s Tennis Association (WTA), and will also have an opportunity to go through the museum. The need for the team is transportation on July 6, 2026. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to approve the out-of-state travel for our State Champion Tennis Team, seconded by Amy Houghton. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

E. Tisbury Printer Building Project Outreach Invoice

Suzanne indicated there is another invoice from the Tisbury Printer for the all-island election for a total of $209, which was for printing 200 8.5x11 inch "Upcoming Events" sheets and 500 4x9 inch "Rack Cards". Suzanne is suggesting payment from the General Fund, Advertising line, which has a remaining balance of $633 for FY26. Skipper expressed not appreciating receiving bills after the fact. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to approve paying the $209 for the Tisbury Printer Building Project Outreach invoice from the Advertising, seconded by Jen Cutrer. line as indicated by Suzanne Cioffi. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Nay.*
Motion Passes: 7-1-0

F. FY25 Invoice of $10,638.28

Suzanne spoke to the generous reimbursable grant received for Cyber Security, of which this invoice was paid from, given the understanding at that time, of what the grant could be used to pay for. After further review and audit by the state, this invoice contains licensure which does not meet grant criteria, as it crossed FY25 into FY26. The grant needs to be reimbursed the invoice amount of $10,638.28, with a recommendation of coming from the IT Maintenance and Contract Expense, where this would have been paid had it not been thought to have been covered by that grant. There is approximately $17,000 in that line, so this amount can be paid out without bringing a deficit and is a license that would have been purchased regardless. Amy asked about this not being covered by the grant and how there wasn't an awareness of that until now, to which Suzanne indicated that DESE has changed the requirements, and used to allow multi-years licensure, but no longer does. This was the first time the High School District had access to this grant, and is tied to the Justice Department. The licenses were asked about in terms of coverage and were originally allowed to be covered, though this grant came with a hard stop of coverage on December 31. Bernadette Cormie, MVYPS Grants Coordinator indicated that a request was made to the vendors to create a split invoice for coverage but none of the vendors were willing to provide that as they were also receiving audit pressure from the Federal Government with their restrictions and what could be allowed, given was new to the vendors as well. MVRHS is not the only school system that has had this problem with this grant for that year due to this issue. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to allow Suzanne Cioffi to use the money from the IT Maintenance and Contract expense line in the amount of $10,638.28 to balance the grant paperwork and account, seconded by Rizwan Malik. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

G. Girls 8th Grade Waiver

Mark McCarthy attended to request an 8th grade waiver for Girls Cross Country, but turned it over to coach Joe Schroeder to elaborate. Coach Shroeder first thanked the committee for the travel approved for the track team to travel to Eugene, Oregon, where this year several medals were awarded, and is essentially the Track Capital of the world. Coach Shroeder is seeking an 8th grade waiver for the Girls Cross Country team, there has not been a full team of 7 in several years, and have been competing with about 5-6. This year there are only going to be 3 returning participants, so there is a need to fill out numbers, especially given the number of schools competitions are against, who have grades 7 and up on their teams. Additionally, this would help encourage younger participation and development for the high school team in the next few years. There is a youth program started at West Tisbury, with the hope to expand island-wide this year. *Elliott Bennett made a motion to approve the 8th grade girls cross country waiver, seconded by Amy Houghton. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

H. Transportation 7D Staff Make Whole Amounts

Moved to the July 6, 2026 meeting.

I. Updated Huntress Athletic Field Plan and Next Steps

Sam Hart did a screen share, presenting the updated Huntress Design for the Athletic Fields, stored in the folder for this meeting. An amount of $30,000 of the Rural Aid grant was used to update this design to make it relevant now that the building project is moving forward, this has been reviewed and edited by Tappe Architects, who have done the building design. The plan is to seek donors to assist in any work not covered by the School Building Project on the east side of Sanderson Road, as shown on the Huntress Design. This would include several new fields, relocation of the bus lot, and the amount of necessary green space needed to move forward with natural grass and accommodate all of the sports programs. This design also increases the number of parking spaces for events. Skipper asked if the committee had put any thought into doing this work in phases, of which Kathryn indicated they have not gotten that far yet. Skipper did express concern with regards to the suggested location of the bus lot and it only moving in one direction, and should take into consideration moving those buses in only one way.

Votes Required

IV. Finance

A. Revenue and Expenditures

1. Payment to the Island Towns for the Island-wide Election

Suzanne passed a document to the table containing the invoice amounts from the towns to address the costs for the Island-wide Election. The amount was originally expected to be at $35,000, but after the election and invoicing was created, the total amount came to $21,781.62, which also includes the Vineyard Gazette and MV Times advertising expenses.

B. Purchasing 4000 Gallons of Surplus Oak Bluffs School Heating Oil at $12,812.00

Suzanne discussed this, where the Oak Buffs School has removed a boiler to become more energy efficient. The original discussion was to donate or gift this oil to the High School, but the town of Oak Bluffs Selectmen claimed it as town ownership, therefore they would like to sell it, and not donate or gift it. After reviewing the total paid by the Town of Oak Bluffs and the Oak Bluffs School, the proposed amount is $12,812. Cyphening oil from one tank into another is a common practice. The 4,000 gallons would fill up the tanks at the High School, which at current cost would be $16,958.80, giving the high school some savings. There is currently $15,176.33 remaining in the Heating Oil line. Because this is intermunicipal, there are no procurement requirements. *Amy Houghton made a motion to purchase the 4,000 gallons of Oil from Oak Bluffs at the price stipulated by Sizanne Cioffi of $12,812, with the understanding that there wouldn't be any other additional fees for transport or hidden in anyway, seconded by Marsha Shufrin. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

C. FY26 End of Year Transfers

Suzanne passed around the expense reports for the year to follow along for the end of year transfers. There will be one adjustment after the payments to the towns for the Island-wide Election, as it came in under the amount budgeted that was $35,000, and the adjusted total is $21,781.62. There was one final bill to come in, so Suzanne had changed the amount to $25,213.37 as an estimation, but it became $21,781.62 once that final bill was received this afternoon. The first transfer Suzanne is requesting is to the audit line, and increasing it by $50,000 for the upcoming independent audit, with the recommendation of taking $43,556.72 from the Sal., Bus Administrator and also $6,443.28 from the Sal, Bus ASP line. Amy Houghton asked for clarification as it is not likely an auditor will be under contract prior to July 1to which Suzanne responded that if it is not done by June 30 then the transfer would not happen. Amy expressed the final day of letter of interest communications close on July 6, 2026, at this time Chair Skipper Manter asked for these amounts to be struck through and removed. Suzanne is requesting a $5,000 transfer to legal services from the Computer License and Support-Transportation line after discussing the June invoices with Katelyn Holway. Katelyn Holway handles the 690 expenses, which are for Shared Services and the High School, so all High School ones are sent to Suzanne after being seen by Katelyn as all legal bills go through her, after being signed off by Richie. The numbers include some final, some anticipated and the

legal account is already in a current deficit of $1,662. Amy wanted to make sure the legal line is hefty enough to handle what is coming through in the next few weeks given all that is going on. After hearing Amy, Skipper asked if $10,000 felt more comfortable to which Amy replied yes, she is hopeful that would be more appropriate since there are still anticipated invoices to come. Kathryn did ask about the need to add to the Payroll line and if that was for processing or for payroll itself, to which Suzanne expressed that it is for the processing of payroll, as this year there were a couple of time adjustments needed to be made, and there is a fee associated with that, additionally, the transition from mailing paystubs to emailing paystubs took longer than anticipated, so there is a need to cover those additional expenses. Next, Suzanne is looking at the Payroll Processing line needing $3,289.94 which includes June invoices, transferring from the Sal. Bus ASP. For the District wide election, Suzanne is recommending a transfer to the School Committee Supplies and Materials line from the Residential Care Tuitions line, shown as $$25,213.37 on the sheet, but will be adjusted to the new official amount of $21,781.62. For the month of June there was a change in placements for a student in residential care with a cost savings of $32,000, and a student who left residential care, leaving a total savings in that line of $55,000. The AP Testing line needs an increase of $13,283.20 due to the larger number of students taking the courses, and more courses being offered, which Suzanne is recommending be transferred from the Residential line where there is savings this year. Mark made the recommendation to leave the Island-wide Election amount at the $25,213.37 for the time being, as this was a new type of election and it is possible one of the town clerks may come back to say they forgot to add something to one of their invoices. The next items are fixed costs items, under utilities, where Electric, Gas and Wastewater have seen increases. The Wastewater increase is still being reviewed by their committee, and will not be addressed again until their next meeting with a date to be determined, but appears to be a double billing charge, where the water department reading the meter numbers, and the wastewater department reading the meter numbers in the same cycle, and each billing out for those readings. There is a need for a total of $208,961.84, with the recommendations to take from Residential Care Tuitions, Misc Fixed Costs, Bus/Vehicle Purchase, Insurance - Property, Insurance - Medical, Building Maintenance Contractual Corrective, Building Equipment Contractual Preventative totaling $208,961.84. The next line in need of a transfer is the Insurance-Retiree Health & Life in the amount of $35,473.68 which includes June anticipated, and would come from the Insurance - Medical. After adjustments discussed above (removal of audit request of $50,000 as this will fall in FY27, and legal increase from $5,000 to $10,000) the total for the General Fund Expenditures is $208,961.84. *Amy Houghton made a motion to approve the transfers through the insurance line (discussed above), seconded by Kathryn Shertzer. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

The remaining transfer is for the Revolving Daily Sales (Lunch fund) for FY25 ($95,524.67 rollover discussed on 6/1/26 meeting) and FY26, anticipated totaling $188,272. The FY26 amount of $92,747.33 may see a decrease as invoice amounts are anticipated, and could be less, and the Cafeteria staff has had two people out for the remainder of the year, so payroll amounts could also see a reduction. The final reimbursements from the state should be available by the August School Committee meeting, therefore the final lunch numbers will then be available. For FY27 the revolving lunch will be captured in the budget after a vote to transfer from some lines that should occur by the August 2026 meeting, and then FY28 will capture this back on the budget as its own line item. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to approve the funds transfer (discussed above), seconded by Rizwan Malik. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.*
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

D. Update on Signing of Pay Warrants

Suzanne brought 4 vouchers that were previously authorized by the committee to be signed by Amy Houghton which were Service Trans, OPEB, a payroll voucher, and an accounts payable voucher for high school expenses, of which Suzanne signed the OPEB and the accounts payable vendor payments. There are vouchers that need to be signed today, and a School Committee member will need to be authorized as Amy is out of town. One of those warrants is for payroll for the entire staff, which is not available this evening but should be ready soon. Amy has been advised that payroll warrants should be signed so as not to violate labor laws. Amy will send Rizwan the guidance sent by counsel. *Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to authorize Rizwan Malik to sign on the behalf of the School Committee with the caveat that Amy has been given through the school's attorney, seconded by Elliott Bennett. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Abstain, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Nay, Manter - Aye. Motion Passes: 6-1-1*

V. Subcommittee Updates

A. Transportation

Marsha prepared a statement to address what occurred at the Transportation Subcommittee meeting this morning. At this time Amy Houghton expressed disagreement with this topic being discussed as it is not on the agenda, which was noted by the Chair but allowed to continue given all the subcommittee updates are vague on the agenda. Marsha's statement read "The Transportation Subcommittee met to review concerns raised by 6 van drivers and or monitors regarding eligibility for transition payments under the recently negotiated Transportation Contract, or MOU. As the school committee has admitted, transition payments were established to ease the move from the previous compensation system to the new contractual hourly wage structure. During our review, it became apparent that certain compensation elements for the van drivers had not been included in the original transition payment calculations. Specifically, while van drivers were generally paid on an hourly basis, they also received compensation on per run basis for Project Headway trips, and were paid at a separate hourly rate for charter school runs. These additional earnings were not factored into the original transition payment analysis. To ensure that all calculations are accurate and equitable in light of the need for a forensic audit of the Transportation Department's financial operations. The subcommittee has directed Mark to obtain, full, timesheet from the past, from 9 weeks that we're missing." At this time Amy made another request to stop this statement with strenuous objection, as it is not on the agenda and is an issue related to payments where people are being discussed that have not been given notice about what is being spoken about, Chair Skipper Manter noted Amy's objection and allowed Marsha to continue her statement, which concludes with "...from the past 9 weeks that we're missing additional comprehensive comparison between the compensation under the former system and compensation under the new contractual hourly wage system. The subcommittee will reconvene on Monday morning June 9th to review the revised calculations to determine whether additional transition payments are warranted. Should revisions be necessary, the committee will prepare an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding reflecting any approved transition adjustments. Any proposed revisions to the MOU will be presented to the High School School Committee on July 6th for a vote, before the affected employees implementation. The subcommittee's goal is to ensure that all employees are treated fairly, and that any transition payments are based on complete and accurate compensation data".

B. Facilities

No update at this meeting.

C. Athletics

No update at this meeting.

D. Budget

No update at this meeting.

VI. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair/Announcements

No unanticipated topics for this meeting.

VII. Public Comment

Community member Alex Meleney took a moment to say that mascots that represent people tend to cause problems, whereas animal mascots generally do not and should be something for the committee to consider. Alex also indicated he was in the waiting room for a while, and had been asked about identifying himself before he entered the meeting, though he was unable to respond from the waiting room. As a public meeting, that feels as though it is a violation. Rick Mello addressed this as his error and being unaware waiting room participants could not respond in a chat, but expressed that there has been an increase in "zoom bombings" and trying to maintain the integrity of the meeting by verifying participants has been standard practice. Rick will work to find additional solutions for this moving forward.

Votes Required

VIII. Election of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, and Secretary of the School Committee

Kathryn Shertzer made a motion for Skipper Manter to remain as Chair for FY27, and for Jen Cutrer to remain as Vice Chair for FY27, second indicated by current Chair Skipper Manter, but due to poor audio it is unable to be named by the recorder.
Chairperson Vote: Murphy - Lionette, Houghton - Manter, Bennett - Manter, Malik - Manter, Shertzer - Manter, Cutrer - Manter, Shufrin - Manter, Manter - Manter.
Motion Passes in favor of Skipper Manter Chair: 7-1-0
Motion Passes in favor of Jen Cutrer Vie Chair: 8-0-0
Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to nominate Marylee Schroeder as the School Committee Treasurer for FY27, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 8-0-0
Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to nominate Rebecca Claussen as the School Committee Secretary for FY27, seconded by Rizwan Malik. Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

Vote Required

IX. Adjournment

Kathryn Shertzer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jen Cutrer. Roll Call: Murphy - Aye, Houghton - Aye, Bennett - Aye, Malik - Aye, Shertzer - Aye, Cutrer - Aye, Shufrin - Aye, Manter - Aye.
Motion Passes: 8-0-0

Minutes submitted by Rebecca Claussen

Date of Approval of Minutes: July 6, 2026

Appendix A: Documents on File

1. **Agenda MVRHS SC 6.22.26**
2. **II. A. Martha's Vineyard RSD, Martha's Vineyard RHS PFA**
3. **II. A. 1. PFA Legal Certification Opinion**
4. **II. A. 1. Project Funding Agreement votes**
5. **II. A. 1. Recorders Certificate PFA Votes**
6. **II. B. 1. Sampaio Resignation Letter**
7. **II. C. 1. a. 5% MVRHS FY27 Draft**
8. **II. C. 3. YMCA Estoppel**
9. **III. A. DRAFT MVRHSSC Minutes 051226**
10. **III. A. DRAFT MVRHSSC Minutes 052826**
11. **III. A. DRAFT MVRHSSC Minutes 060126**
12. **III. A. DRAFT MVRHSSC Minutes 060926**
13. **III. C. Honda Donation Martha_s Vineyard Public Schools Mail - Car value copy**
14. **III. D. Girls Tennis HOF July 6**
15. **III. E. Inv_53744_from_Tisbury_Printer_6368**
16. **III. i. 2026-06-12 MVRHS SPORTS PREFERRED**
17. **IV. A. MVRHS Expenditures 6.22.2026**
18. **IV. A. MVRHS Revenue 6.22.2026**
19. **IV. C. Budget Transfers EOY Amended 6.22.2026**

Appendix B: Zoom AI Next Steps

1. **Suzanne: Coordinate with legal counsel to review the estoppel certificate and, once approved, sign the document with the chair (or new chair) and have it notarized.**
2. **Suzanne: Update and send the end-of-year transfer table to the committee.**
3. **Suzanne: Suggest a funding source for the $50,000 independent audit at the July 6th meeting.**
4. **Amy: Send Rizwan the legal guidance regarding signing payroll warrants.**
5. **Mark McCarthy: Obtain full timesheets from the past 9 weeks for the Transportation Subcommittee's review of transition payments.**
6. **Mark McCarthy: Bring representatives from Circuit Arts and the New York Times to the July 6th meeting with appropriate forms filled out for the proposed documentary filming.**
7. **School Committee: Vote on the proposed 3.5% or 5% salary increase for non-union salaried employees at a future meeting under new administration.**
8. **School Committee: Consider phasing the proposed athletic fields plan and seek private donors for funding.**
9. **School Committee: Approve the funding for the independent audit (up to $50,000) at a future meeting.**
10. **School Committee: Approve any proposed revisions to the Transportation MOU regarding transition payments at the July 6th meeting.**