Mason School District Regular Scheduled Meeting October 17, 2022

School Board Vice Chairperson Jason Jannuzzo called the meeting to order at 1830h.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

Roll Call:

Vice Chairperson Jason Iannuzzo

Board Members: Bradley Gilbert, Tim Leak and Colin Robinson.

Absent: Chairperson Dr. Chris Guiry Superintendent / Principal: Kristen Kivela

Accounts Payable: Brenda Wiley Secretary Becky Partridge

Technology: Neal Richardson

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by **Bradley Gilbert** to approve the minutes of September 19, 2022 as submitted by secretary Becky Partridge, seconded by **Tim Leak**

Aye: Gilbert, Iannuzzo, Leak, Robinson
Nay: None
Motion Carried 4-0

Next Meeting:

November 21, 2022 Regular Scheduled Meeting at 1830h at Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room

Milford Student Representative: Eden Leak

- School Spirit Week
- Ban Book Week Librarian working on an updated content policy in order to revise / prevent censorship of books.

Business Manager's Report:

- It is noted that current manifest and payroll were approved and signed by board members.
- Return to town \$136,931.00

Public Communications:

John Sutter – Informed the board that he was contacted by a former board member about a policy that stated that when major decisions or being discussed for action to be taken the board will make the decision when majority, not just quorum is present. Above policy could not be found and no recollection of such a policy, perhaps it was a practice the board would try to adhere to but not a written policy. Vice Chairman Jason lannuzzo stated that if the board wished the policy committee could discuss further.

After a brief heated discussion around the belief that some board members make decisions based on their political agenda spurred on by the Columbus Day name change and board member Colin Robinson disagreeing, Secretary Becky Partridge called point of order and the public portion of the meeting was closed.

Correspondence: None

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Curriculum Updates: None

Unfinished Business:

- Video Taping Meeting Colin Robinson and Neal Richardson Many issues to address
 - 1. Write policy
 - 2. If video is going to be representative of an official recording of meeting, the recording must be ADA compliant, including but not limited to closed captioning
 - 3. Should work with all boards of the town to streamline process
 - 4. Order one set of equipment
 - 5. Hire one person to be in charge of equipment and taping
 - 6. Will there be more participation of public send survey?

After a lengthy discussion board will continue to investigate

• Safety Grant Update – Grant to be applied to installing Key FOBS

Motion by **Bradley Gilbert** to preapprove grant to install new Key FOBS, seconded by **Colin Robinson**

Aye: Gilbert, Iannuzzo, Leak, Robinson
Nay: None
Motion Carried 4-0

New Business:

 Accept Unanticipated Funds: \$2370.11 Funds represent differential of SPED costs for students attending Charter Schools

Motion by **Tim Leak** to accept the unanticipated funds of \$2,370.11, seconded by **Colin Robinson**.

Aye: Gilbert, Iannuzzo, Leak, Robinson

Nay: None Motion Carried 4-0

- Hollis Dispatch having camera access during an incident: Neal Richardson although it sounds like a good idea it opens the system up to cyber-attacks. Mr. Richardson would have to break the firewall to allow access to the camera system. One solution however would be to purchase another server to isolate the camera system and give Hollis access. The board unanimously agreed to not allow Hollis access at this time.
- 2023 / 2024 Budget Timeline next meeting will submit calendar and begin discussions on budget

Superintendent / Principal's Report:

 Important Dates – Oct 7 – Professional development day – active shooter and first aid, Fall festival and Halloween October 31, Nov – 8th workshop, 11 – no school, Veterans Day, 21 – school board meeting, 22 – parent / teacher conferences

Committee Reports:

Policies

Motion by **Tim Leak** to retire policies EBC – Crisis Response and EBCE – School Closing, seconded by **Colin Robinson**

Aye: Gilbert, Iannuzzo, Leak, Robinson

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Nay: None

Motion Carried 4-0

EB, EBB, EBBB, EBBC, EBBD, EBCB, EBCA, EBCD, EHAB, EHB – minor changes - only two board members reviewed policy – will table till next meeting

Non-public - None

Bradley Gilbert moved to adjourn the meeting at 1925h, seconded by **Tim Leak**. The meeting adjourned unanimously at 1925h.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca T. Particlege

Becky Partridge

School Board Secretary