

NORFOLK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting –November 12, 2024

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Virginia Coleman-Prisco, Walter Godlewski, Janet Byrne, J. Whitaker

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: John DeShazo, Amy Bennett, Donna Rubin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Mary Beth Iacobelli, Superintendent, Lauren Valentino, Principal

ADMINISTRATION ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Public Comments:

None

Motion by J. Byrne seconded by W. Godlewski to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024 special meeting **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Superintendent's Report: The superintendent shared her report with the board. Superintendent Iacobelli informed the board that we have locked in an oil price for next year at \$2.72/gal. The superintendent told the board that the First Selectman informed her of the progress with the new boilers and a decision should be made in the next couple of weeks.

Principal's Report: Mrs. Valentino shared the State of the School Presentation- Student Learning and Growth Summary with the board. Principal Valentino informed the board that Botelle has been named 2023-2024 School of Distinction.

Committee Reports: The following committee chairs reported to the board:

Curriculum and Technology- will report at the December meeting

Health/Wellness

Safety and Security

Policy

PTO

Unfinished Business:

Diversity Plan – Vote to Approve: **Motion by W. Godlewski seconded by J. Whitaker** to approve the diversity plan with noted changes. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Thought Exchange Survey --- tabled until the January meeting

New Business:

Bus Contract Waiver: Motion to waive the bidding process for bus a new bus contract: **Motion by J. Byrne seconded by J. Whitaker. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

BOE schedule of meeting dates: **Motion by J. Whitaker seconded by W. Godlweski** to approve the 2nd Tuesday of the month meeting dates at 5:30 pm **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

2025-2026 Draft School Calendar – will discuss at the December meeting.

Motion by J. Byrne seconded by J. Whitaker to adjourn the meeting @ 7:27 pm

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Lippincott

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Recording Secretary

THESE ARE NOT APPROVED MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING.