



**EDGARTOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, January 4, 2023 – 5:30 pm  
Via Zoom**

**AGENDA**

- I. Approval of Minutes from December 14, 2022**
- II. PTA Report**
- III. Finance Report**
- IV. Superintendent's Report**
  - A. General Update
  - B. AISC
  - C. Special Education Update – Hope MacLeod
- V. Principal's Report**
  - A. Updates
  - B. Request Vote to Approve Out-of State Ski Trip (March 8-10, 2023)
  - C. Enrollment
  - D. Personnel
- VI. Public Comment**
- VII. New/Old Business**
- VIII. Schedule Next Meeting(s)**
- IX. Adjournment**

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**5:30 p.m. Via Zoom**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Chair, Kimberly Kirk and member Louis Paciello

**Others:** Supt. Dr. Richie Smith, Principal Dr. Shelley Einbinder, Hope MacLeod Director of Student Services, Mark Friedman, School Business Administrator, Brooke Leahy, PTA President, Kim Garrison All Island Behavioral Health Coordinator, Nedine Cunningham 7/8 Social Studies Teacher, Gina deBettencourt Food Services Director, Sue Conlan Shared Services Coordinator, Reporter: MaryAnn Bartlett AP

The meeting was called to order by Kimberly Kirk at 5:32

### **I. Approval of December Minutes**

Louis Paciello made a motion to approve the December minutes and Kimberly Kirk seconded.

There was no discussion, comments or changes.

The motion passed: 2 Ayes, 0 Nays

**II. PTA Report** - Brooke Leahy -The PTA hopes to promote the Amerigas fundraiser as it is an easy way for anyone who uses this utility to select the Edgartown School as a recipient of funds. The PTA had a successful sale of cocoa bombs and some are still available. Their next meeting is January 10, at 3:00 in the Staff Dining Room.

### **III. FY 24 Budget Review** -Mark Friedman Reviewed the Fund Balance Report

Shelley Einbinder stated that there was an anonymous \$100 donation for the 8th grade trip.

Louis Paciello made a motion to accept the \$100 donation and Kimberly Kirk seconded.

There was no discussion, comments or changes.

The motion passed: 2 Ayes, 0 Nays

### **V. Superintendent's Report** - Dr. Richie Smith mentioned the following as current key initiatives:

- Critical goal setting district-wide
- Tisbury School Building Project
- Regional School Agreement
- Work towards a feasibility study of the HS building project
- Contractual Agreements reached in 2022
- Health and Safety work with an all-island committee
- Addressing staffing shortages
- Culturally responsive curriculum practices and behavioral health
- Improving overall climate in all schools

Dr. Smith recommended Dorothy Presser of the Massachusetts School Committees Council who could do a beneficial training. Dr. Smith asked if the Edgartown School Committee could participate in this training and to give him an idea of what days and times would work. It was 2015 when the last training of administrators and school committees took place.

The All-Island School Committee usually meets on the third Wednesday of each month and the January meeting on the 18th may be postponed until February.

**IV. The Special Education Report** - Hope MacLeod shared the January newsletter. The newsletter recapped the shared services on the island with a brief overview of each program.

**VI. Principal's Report - Shelley Einbinder** reported that the Edgartown School received a \$100,000 federal grant to improve ventilation and air quality. An RFQ will be sent out soon. Dr. Einbinder thanked John Stevens and Bernadette Cormie and everyone in the district office for their help in writing the grant.

Two teachers received Cape Cod Five mini education grants: Summer DeSouza and Justin Foster.

Dr. Einbinder asked for approval for the 7th grade to travel out of state to Gunstock Ski Resort in Guilford, New Hampshire on March 8th-10th. 44 students and many chaperones will be going including some students from the Bridge Program.

Louis Paciello made a motion to approve the out of state travel and Kimberly Kirk seconded.  
There was no discussion, comments or changes.  
The motion passed: 2 Ayes, 0 Nays

The current enrollment is at 402.

Gail Gardner requested an extension for her leave of absence to return on February 2nd.

Louis Paciello made a motion to approve the leave extension and Kimberly Kirk seconded.  
There was no discussion, comments or changes.  
The motion passed: 2 Ayes, 0 Nays

**VII - Public Comment** -none

**VIII- New Old Business** -none

**IX - Schedule Next Meeting** - The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 5:30

**X. Adjournment** The meeting was adjourned at 6:13.