

**EASTPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019
6:00 P.M.
Shed High School**

Members Present: William Bradbury, Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, Meg McGarvey, Walter Cummings, and Jessica Andrews

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Superintendent Kenneth Johnson, Principal Paul Theriault, Assistant Principal Roberta Mitchell, and Catherine Lee

Others Present: Jeanne Peacock, Sonya Sullivan, and Lora Whelan, *Quoddy Tides*

A. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Adjustments to the Agenda:

Election of Officers will become agenda item G 3.

It was moved by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, seconded by Meg McGarvey voted unanimously to add this to the agenda.

C. To Approve the Minutes of the Following School Committee Meetings, as Written or with Corrections, as Recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

1. October 16, 2019

It was moved by Meg McGarvey, seconded by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, and voted 4 – 0 – 1 (Jessica Andrews) to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2019 school committee meeting, as written.

October 28, 2019 Emergency Meeting

It was moved by Walter Cummings, seconded by Meg McGarvey, and voted 3 – 0 – 2 (Jessica Andrews, Elizabeth Hastings-Renner) to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2019 school committee meeting, as written.

D. Administrative Reports:

1. Principal – Eastport Elementary School and Shead High School –

Principal Paul Theriault provided a copy of his report. Principal Theriault expressed concerns about adjusting the students' schedules for woodworking at mid-semester. Principal Theriault recommended delaying the nomination of the IA substitute until the second semester. Walter Cummings asked if there is interest in getting students involved in Veterans' Day.

2. School Committee – Walter Cummings recognized those who donated to help get the shop program going. It was moved by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, seconded by Meg McGarvey, and voted unanimously to withdraw the nomination of the long-term IA substitute. The December meeting will begin at 5 p.m. Walter Cummings asked about the status of the port bus. Mr. Johnson responded that he does have additional information but the cost of repairing the AC unit is still uncertain. Mr. Johnson also noted there is debate regarding the need for fourth bus with no safety features but insurance costs are manageable.

3. Superintendent – Superintendent Johnson appointed Corey Sullivan as Girls' Varsity Coach; Kendra MacDonald, EES and SHS Cheering Coach; Dana Bowen as SHS Girls' JV Basketball Coach; appointed Paula Bouchard as long-term JMG substitute; spoke about the heating system and will explore the contract with Maine Controls; and spoke about studded tires on the bus. It was moved by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, seconded by Walter Cummings, and voted unanimously to appoint Paula Bouchard as long-term JMG substitute.

E. Old Business

There was no old business.

F. New Business

1. Follow-up on Ed Tech for Grades 1 and 2

It was moved by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, seconded by Meg McGarvey, and voted unanimously to hire an educational technician for grades 1 and 2.

2. To Consider the First Reading of Policy EBAA, Chemical Hazards

It was moved by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, seconded by Walter Cummings, and voted unanimously adopt the revision to policy EBAA,

Chemical Hazards.

3. To Consider Election of Officers for 2019 – 2020:

a. Chair

It was moved by Meg McGarvey, seconded by Walter Cummings, and voted 4 – 0 – 1 (Elizabeth Hastings-Renner) to elect Elizabeth Hastings-Renner as Chair for 2019 – 2020.

b. Vice Chair

It was moved by Meg McGarvey, seconded by Walter Cummings, and voted 4 – 0 – 1 (Will Bradbury) to elect Will Bradbury as Vice Chair for 2019 – 2020.

c. AOS Representative

Will Bradbury expressed his desire to step down from the AOS School Committee. Meg McGarvey stated she is willing to continue.

It was moved by Meg McGarvey, seconded by Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, and voted 4 – 0 – 1 (Walter Cummings) to elect Walter Cummings to the AOS School Committee.

G. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Kenneth Johnson, Superintendent
Secretary, ex-officio**