

Ipswich School Committee

REMOTE-ZOOM

Monday, February 28, 2022

7:00 PM

MINUTES

Call to Order

Mr. Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Present: Mr. Stevens, Ms. Eliot, Mr. Whitten, Dr. O'Flynn, Ms. Kneedler and Mr. Poirier

Also Present: Cheryl Herrick-Stella, Director of Finance and Operations

Absent: Ms. Cannon and Dr. Brian Blake, Superintendent of Schools

Executive Session: Greg/ Chub. Unanimous.

- *Motion to meet in executive session pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 30A, sec. 21(a) for the following purposes: (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Ipswich Educators' Association because an open discussion may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Committee was made by Mr. Stevens and seconded by Mr. Whitten.*

Roll Call

The motion passed unanimously in favor

The School Committee then entered into executive session pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 30A, sec. 21(a) for the following purposes: (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Ipswich Educators' Association because an open discussion may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Committee and would return to open session to continue the meeting.

Return to Open Session

Citizens' Comments

There were none at this time.

Presentations

A. Discussion and Vote on the 2021-2024 Ipswich Educators' Association collective bargaining agreement

- *Motion to approve the 2021-2024 Ipswich Educators' Association Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented was made by Ms. Kneedler and seconded by Mr. Whitten. **The motion passed with 5 in favor and 1 abstention.***

New Business*

Ms. Cannon asked to revisit the mask policy EBCFA to address the updated guidelines that allow for students to ride the bus without masks.

- *Motion to eliminate the mask mandate on school transportation and remove language referring to mask wearing on school transportation from policy EBCFA was made by Dr. O'Flynn and seconded by Ms. Kneedler. **The motion passed unanimously in favor.***

Ms. Eliot then asked the committee for topics for the upcoming newsletter.

Adjournment

- *Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Kneedler and seconded by Dr. O'Flynn. **The motion passed unanimously in favor.***

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM