

SHAWSHEEN VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Committee Retreat

July 8, 2022

M I N U T E S

Meeting called to order by Chair Fusco at 9:13 a.m. with Superintendent-Director McIntosh and the following members present: Ms. Asbedian, Mrs. Gillis, Ms. Kim, Ms. Lawson and Messrs. Fiore, Moffat, and O'Donnell. Ms. Bartolone and Mrs. Meuse were absent.

Mr. Fusco gave an opening statement regarding the purpose of gathering today for this school committee retreat. He felt this was a chance to have an informal setting to discuss, as a group, what is being done and what is needed to get to know each other better.

Mr. O'Donnell stated for the record that the Committee would conduct the meeting pursuant to the posted agenda for the meeting and will stay consistent with said posted agenda.

Mrs. Gillis asked that each member of the Committee tell three things about themselves that would not be known by the other members. Each of the eight members present went through this exercise by sharing personal stories and the reasons why they are on the Committee.

Ms. Jenna Lesko, Business Manager, was asked to join the meeting and shared her goals as the new Business Manager.

The Committee recessed for lunch at 11:30 a.m., reconvening at 12:15 p.m.

Mr. Fiore distributed a guide to the Open Meeting Law, discussing how to respond to emails. Mr. Fusco also shared a brochure from the Alaskan version of MASC (Massachusetts Association of School Committees) which detailed roles of the Superintendent and the School Committee. Mr. McIntosh also talked about a Google survey which could be adjusted to evaluate the school committee as a group, anonymously, if they would like.

The Committee discussed reinstating the Personnel Subcommittee for the purpose of Level 3 grievances from the STA (Shawsheen Teachers Association) only. Ms. Asbedian and Ms. Gillis volunteered to be part of this subcommittee.

The group asked that at the first official school committee meeting, that the Superintendent's update include a list of new hires and what their roles and responsibilities are here at Shawsheen, as well as a list of goals and objectives for Mr. McIntosh.

Motion made by Mrs. Gillis, seconded by Ms. Asbedian, to adjourn at 2:01 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Faiola
Recording Secretary

Taryn Gillis
Vice Chair