



**PEMBROKE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 25, 2016**  
**North Pembroke Elementary School Library**  
**8:00PM**

### **Call to Order**

Mr. Tropeano called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM.

**Present from Administration:** Mrs. Erin Obey, Superintendent; and Marybeth Brust, Director of Teaching & Learning

**Present from Committee:** Michael Tropeano, Chair; Paul Bosworth, Vice Chair; Ginny Wandell, Secretary, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

### **Acknowledge & Schedule Visitors**

Mr. Tropeano welcomed the audience.

### **Adjustments to the Agenda**

Addition of overnight/out of state trip

### **Approval of Bill Schedule**

Bills were circulated for committee approval.

Matt Kreckie, Kaleigh Ryan and Brendan Duane of the Thespian society asked for approval from the school committee to wear colored cords at graduation and added that the Thespian troop will pay for them. They explained that to be inducted into the Thespian Society a student has to do 100 hours of work such as stage work or acting. They added that Tri-M and NHS wear cords. Mr. Tropeano said this shows a dedication beyond the school day and celebrates the full breadth of what we have as a school community. Mr. Bosworth said he agrees and believes the district should recognize the top 10% of the class also. Mr. Chilcott said he agrees with this request and agrees with Mr. Bosworth's suggestion. Mrs. Scroggins said to her it's about equity among the disciplines and this is the perfect opportunity to recognize both.

**VOTE:** On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to approve the Thespian Troop request for blue and gold cords to recognize those students involved in the Thespian troop in fulfilling all the requirements set forth as well as acknowledge and approve the TRI-M cords that have been previous practice.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

**OUR MISSION:** To ensure student achievement through excellence in teaching and learning.

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Paul Bosworth, it was unanimously voted to recognize the top 10% of the graduating class with a set of cords in colors deemed appropriate by the administration and recognize them in the graduation program.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

Mrs. Obey said the NHS and academic achievement groups cords will be covered by the graduation expense supply line.

### **Communications**

Mr. Tropeano said PTAD has asked permission to use some statistics from the recent survey in their presentations. He said no information given will be identifiable. Mr. Tropeano asked the committee to give Mrs. Obey authority to determine what data PTAD can use. Mrs. Wandell said it is a great idea for Mrs. Obey to be the gate keeper of the information in order to be protective of the students. Mr. Bosworth said PTAD has the right to the summary data. Mrs. Scroggins confirmed that PTAD doesn't have the raw data and that the survey was fully disclosed to the guardians of the students. The committee discussed their concerns around the data being identifiable.

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to authorize the superintendent to review and work collaboratively with the information disseminated from the survey monkey survey.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

### **Reorganization of the School Committee**

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to open nominations for Chair of the Pembroke School Committee for 2016-2017.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to nominate Michael Tropeano as Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to close nominations for Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

On the motion for Michael Tropeano as Chair:

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

Mr. Tropeano thanked everyone and said it was a difficult year and there is still a lot of work to do.

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to open nominations for Vice Chair of the Pembroke School Committee for 2016-2017.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to nominate Suzanne Scroggins as Vice Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to close nominations for Vice Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

On the motion for Suzanne Scroggins as Vice Chair:

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to open nominations for Secretary of the Pembroke School Committee for 2016-2017.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Paul Bosworth, it was unanimously voted to nominate Patrick Chilcott as Secretary of the Pembroke School Committee.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Paul Bosworth, it was unanimously voted to close nominations for Secretary.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

On the motion of Patrick Chilcott as Secretary:

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

Mr. Tropeano asked the committee to send their subcommittee preferences to himself and Mrs. Obey.

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to maintain Mrs. Wandell and Mr. Chilcott with Mrs. Scroggins as the alternate on the Negotiations Subcommittee.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

Mrs. Obey said there is in overnight/out of state travel request from PHS Best Buddies to go to the Best Buddies conference in Indianapolis, IN July 22-July 25, 2016. She said one student will be going on this trip.

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to approve the Best Buddies trip as presented.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

Mr. Bosworth suggested the committee approve all trips at beginning of school year. Mr. Tropeano requested a list of all trips at beginning of school year so that they can be included on the school committee agendas.

### **Continued FY17 Budget Conversation**

#### Alternative Reductions

Mr. Bosworth proposed the MASC fee of \$5k as a reduction. Mrs. Scroggins said that the policy subcommittee uses the MASC service so it should not be canceled. Mr. Bosworth asked the latest a teacher could be hired to be effective for next year and Mrs. Obey said by the end of this school year. Mr. Chilcott said he understands the need for an additional teacher but the reductions are not palatable to him. He suggested planning the addition into the following year's budget. Mr. Tropeano referred to the athletics numbers and said football participation is down, boys' basketball is up, wrestling is down but the drop in the girl's lacrosse surprised him. Mr. Chilcott said there are a lot of kids in multiple sports. Mr. Tropeano said programmatic shifts were made to achieve this year's budget. Mrs. Scroggins questioned why the committee is having this conversation about adding a teacher now and Mr. Tropeano said the committee had asked it be looked at because this addition fell just below the line priority wise. Mrs. Wandell said nothing has changed, the committee just wanted to take one last look at what it would take to add the teacher.

Mr. Bosworth said he would like to request this level of detail sooner and Mrs. Obey said this level of detail was given with the MOE budget. Mr. Tropeano confirmed that the budget conversations will be held earlier next budget season. Mr. Chilcott said it is about priorities and the committee is doing it correctly for the district. Mr. Bosworth said he agrees that he doesn't see anything he would want to cut and added that the sustainability of a position has to be considered.

#### Athletics – JV Golf

Mrs. Obey said only 10 students can play with one adult at the course. Mr. Tropeano asked what the cost is for JV golf and Mrs. Obey said about \$4k using this year's price. The price includes the coach, supplies and transportation. Mr. Tropeano said there are some questions around whether the group and carry 20 students and are they accommodating girls and Mrs. Obey said she will look into it. Mr. Tropeano said the committee should state that JV Golf is part of the athletics program.

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Paul Bosworth, it was unanimously voted to reinstate JV Golf for the 2016-2017 season.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

### **Discussion of Future Meeting Dates**

Mr. Obey said she would like to bring the PHS principal candidates to the School Committee after graduation as well as bring the retiring teachers to be recognized for their years of service to Pembroke.

Future meeting dates were established:

June 7<sup>th</sup>, June 14<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup>

VOTE: At 9:13pm, on a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell?? it was unanimously voted, by roll call vote, to enter Executive Session Pursuant to Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy for negotiations of a collective bargaining agreements and potential personal service contract as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the legal position of the School Committee, as declared by the Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

**APPROVED: June 14, 2016**

### **MOTIONS**

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to approve the Thespian Troop request for blue and gold cords to recognize those students involved in the Thespian troop and fulfilling all the requirements set forth as well as acknowledge and approve the TRI-M cords that has been previous practice.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

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Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to authorize the superintendent to review and work collaboratively with the information disseminated from the survey monkey survey.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to open nominations for Chair of the Pembroke School Committee for 2016-2017.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to nominate Michael Tropeano as Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Patrick Chilcott, it was unanimously voted to close nominations for Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

On the motion for Michael Tropeano as Chair:

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to open nominations for Vice Chair of the Pembroke School Committee for 2016-2017.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Patrick Chilcott and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to nominate Suzanne Scroggins as Vice Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to close nominations for Vice Chair.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

On the motion for Suzanne Scroggins as Vice Chair:

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to open nominations for Secretary of the Pembroke School Committee for 2016-2017.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Paul Bosworth, it was unanimously voted to nominate Patrick Chilcott as Secretary of the Pembroke School Committee.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Ginny Wandell and seconded by Paul Bosworth, it was unanimously voted to close nominations for Secretary.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

On the motion of Patrick Chilcott as Secretary:



Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

VOTE: On a motion made by Paul Bosworth and seconded by Ginny Wandell, it was unanimously voted to maintain Mrs. Wandell and Mr. Chilcott with Mrs. Scroggins as the alternate on the Negotiations Subcommittee.

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Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

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Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, Paul Bosworth, Ginny Wandell, Suzanne Scroggins and Patrick Chilcott  
Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none

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Voting No: none  
Abstaining: none  
Absent: none