

EDGECOMB SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES
For September 11, 2017 Regular Meeting

Members: Mark Graham V.C., Tom Abello C., and Heather Sinclair. **Administrators:** Superintendent Eileen King, Principal Ira Michaud **Others:** Teacher Nancy Rose. **Press:** Bill Pearson. **Guests:** Janet Blevenson, Barbara Brennan

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. on the above date.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Graham moved and Heather Sinclair seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 19th meeting.

Motion Approved 3-0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Barbara Brennan discussed the Festival of Lights – Economic Development Committee is looking to engage the citizens of Edgecomb. They are proposing a *Charlie Brown Christmas Tree* decorating contest and inviting groups to decorate them and have them displayed at the Town Hall. Each class could do a tree as well as other community members. Trees will be available at the Town Hall on December 8th.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Ira Michaud discussed enrollment: Pre-K (13); Kindergarten (7); Grade 1 (10); Grade 2 (11); Grade 3 (6); Grade 4 (8); Grade 5 (16); and Grade 6 (9) for a total of 80 students. Tuition update: currently a total of 12 students who are either tuition students or have a private pay tuition agreement. Grade level breakdown: From Alna- (4) PreK, (1) 2nd grade, and (1) 6th grade. From Westport- (1) PreK, (1) 3rd, (2) 5th, and (2) 5th private pay from Southport.

Start of year update:

New faces and positions: Past Sp. Ed. Tech., Sarah Currier, is our new 2/3 teacher; Allison Crocker is our 4-6 team teacher; Becky Alley, Sp. Ed. Tech III and Susan Fleck, Ed. Tech. II are helping to support special ed. and regular ed. Congratulations to Julie Higgins who got married this summer is now Julie Browne.

Teacher Cindy Casey and Ed. Tech Debbie Beam are very effectively piloting a group of PreK students who seem to have adjusted well.

We've started PreK-6 lunch and K-6 recess showing good interactions among older and younger students during the whole group recess.

Mandatory drills have gone well.

I've been working on providing more digital information directly to parents/guardians and showing staff some benefits of PowerSchool and how to use that for collecting

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behavioral data, special education and 504 plan information, and to monitor attendance patterns.

Open House scheduled for September 21 at 6 p.m.

Maintenance update

Kudos to Jeff for making the facilities and grounds look pristine for school opening. He put boards on the gazebo roof and will be shingling it soon. Thank you again to the generous donation of Stephen Wallace for providing this structure for the kids to play on.

With Dave Benner's recommendation to use Keenan Construction, repairs were made to the roof on south side of building. Should plan for maintenance in near future as the roof is showing signs of age.

Don's bus was inoperable for the first day of school and needed to borrow Boothbay's back-up bus. All three batteries have been replaced. Will need to replace the driver's seat on Mary's bus as it doesn't function properly.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Eileen King discussed the current budget \$2,574,974 (96%); school opening update; and MSMA fall conference October 26 and 27. Superintendent King presented a computer demo of Apptegy, a unified publishing platform for schools to manage engagement on the many devices and social networks that community members look to for information, and said she hoped to have the basics of the website up and running by October. She said that schools will continue to use the current alert system this year for school cancelations but will assign a few community members as testers with Apptegy to make sure it works properly before ending the current alert system.

ITEMS RECEIVING SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Mark Graham moved and Heather Sinclair seconded the motion to accept the superintendent's nomination of Ira Michaud as Principal, Sarah Currier as grade 2/3 teacher, Allison Crocker as grade 4-6 teacher (1 year), and John Gosselin as phys. ed teacher for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion approve 3-0

Heather Sinclair moved and Mark Graham seconded the motion to review policies **JLF – Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect**, **JLF-E – Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect Report Form** and **JLF-R – Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect – Administrative Procedures** for second reading and adoption.

Motion approved 3-0

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Mark Graham moved and Tom Abello seconded the motion to appoint Heather Sinclair as a delegate to the Maine School Delegate Assembly Thursday, October 26, 2017.
Motion approved 2-0 (Heather Abstained)

NEXT MEETING

The next committee meeting has been scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Monday, October 2nd.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Graham moved and Heather Sinclair seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Motion approved 3-0

Respectfully submitted,



Eileen King
Superintendent