A meeting of the Revere School Committee was called to order on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 6:20 PM in the Ferrante School Committee Room at Revere High School.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Susan Gravellese, Vice Chair, Mr. Dan Maguire, Secretary, Mr. Michael Ferrante, Mrs. Stacey Rizzo, Mr. Fred A. Sannella, Ms. Carol A. Tye.

ABSENT: Mayor Brian Arrigo

Mr. Sannella

MOVED That the minutes of the meeting of November 15, 2016 be approved.

VOTED

Superintendent’s Report

a. Spelling Bees Certificates

Dr. Kelly started the Superintendent’s report by awarding certificates on behalf of the School Committee to the Spelling Bee winners from each elementary and middle school. She said this is the first year that the Revere Public School expanded the Spelling Bee to include the Middle School and it was an exciting experience.

b. JROTC Overnight Trip Request

Major Bowker, the seniority instructor for the JROTC, requested permission to attend the BDE Drill Competition at Francis Lois High School in New York City. This is the second year in a row the Revere High School Army JROTC Drill Team has made it to the regional championship. The JROTC presented the Governor Cup to Dr. Kelly; which they have now won two years in a row.

Ms. Tye

MOVED: That we grant permission to the JROTC from Revere High School to attend the field trip just described.

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c. Appropriation of FY16 Carryforward into FY17

Dr. Kelly said she was very thankful that in past years the Committee with Dr. Dakin has found ways to save money to carry forward from one school year to the next school year, which is permissible by Massachusetts General Law to prevent fiscal problems when the budget is tight such was the case this year. She thanked the committee for their fiduciary diligence, which enabled just over $6,000,000 of
carry forward money to prevent layoffs in the current school year. Now, that the funds are officially available we need the School Committee to vote to allocate the funding to different line items of the budget as prescribed by Mr. Kruse.

Mr. Maguire

MOVED That the School Committee vote to approve the appropriation of our free cash carry-forward funds from FY16 into FY17 in accordance with the attached spreadsheet which documents the general ledger accounts that will receive funding.

Roll Call:

| Mr. Ferrante - | Yes  | Mrs. Rizzo- | Yes  |
| Ms. Gravelise- | Yes  | Mr. Sannella | Yes  |
| Mr. Maguire -  | Yes  | Ms. Tye -   | Yes  |
| Mayor Arrigo - | Absent |            | VOTED |

d. Update on Revere Educators Leadership Board (RELB)

Dr. Vadala gave an update on the progress of each RELB Council. The RELB is comprised of Revere educators charged with making system wide improvements and recommendations to the superintendent.

• The Recruitment, Hiring, and Placement Council is working on our next RPS Job Fair.
• The Organizational Structure Council is working on ways to improve and possibly restructure ESL instruction. They just surveyed 10 families from each Middle and Elementary School
• The Professional development Council is working on developing innovative ways to offer in-house PD to educators and to update and improve current request forms
• The Adult Professional Culture Council recently shared results of district wide culture survey which principals are now using with staff to identify areas for improvement. They are also working on developing the “BUDSbook”
• The Teacher Leadership and Career Ladders Council is working on developing end of year EdTalks with the Five District Partnership (5DP). This will be a convening of educators to share expertise via short presentations/discussions
• The educator Growth Council recently completed Exemplary Teacher Profile and FAQs. They are now working to refine rubrics for Educator Growth
• The Sub Committee for C2C which is comprised of members from the Professional Development and Teacher Leadership and Career Ladders Councils continue to work on the Peer Assistance (PA) model they have designed to give a small, focused group of educators more specific and effective feedback to improve their practice.

e. Student report from Gianni Hill

Student School Committee member Gianni Hill talked about the Student Senate Climate Survey with over a thousand responses and the School Improvement meeting to be held on 12/21/16 at 3:00 PM.
Subcommittee Report

Mrs. Rizzo wanted to thank Mr. Ferrante and Dr. Kelly for coming out on November 30 for the MASC convening called “Together Is Our Only Chance” for urban areas to get together and hear a panel discussion on the Reform of the Foundation Budget. There will be a presentation from Mass Budget on January 18th in Framingham. Mrs. Rizzo will send additional information.

Public Comments

Ellen Lund- 53 Ford Street, Revere
Her grandson is in 3rd grade at the Paul Revere School and she has some concerns:
1. Why don’t you have any field trips?
   Dr. Kelly said she should address this matter to Mrs. Kelly, principal of the school and the Governing Board which meets every month.
2. She heard that the Afterschool program was going to be outsourced to another company and that it would be more expensive and they would not have the same teachers. She asked why we didn’t tell parents.
   Dr. Kelly corrected misinformation about cost and staffing. The requirement is that any partner will hire our staff and the cost will be the same. She also explained that the Afterschool Program was discussed at two previous School Committee meetings as well as at the last City Wide PTO meeting.

Mr. Ralph DiCicco- 49 Washington Street had a question regarding a website and said that the sub-committee meetings should be televised so parents won’t miss anything.

Dr. Kelly explained that we finally have a contract for the new Website and schools are in the process of moving content to the new site. The committee took his recommendation that the sub-committee meetings be televised under advisement. They clarified that the sub-committee meetings are open to the public and the agenda is posted.

Payment of Bills

Mr. Maguire

MOVED That the bills submitted by the Superintendent of Schools be approved for payment.

VOTED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.
The next regular meeting of the School Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2016 at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dianne K. Kelly, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools