

**ORRINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017 5:00PM (PRIOR TO TOWN BUDGET MEETING)**  
**CENTER DRIVE SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Erica Libby, Jennifer Long, Michael Mason, Michelle Schleck & Glendon Rand

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**ADMIN. PRESENT:** James Stoneton, Superintendent  
John Mugnai  
Judy Marvin

**ADMIN. ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Katrina Martin, Mary Cox, Tim Hart & Heather Pece.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Glendon Rand called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

- No Adjustments were made

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Glendon Rand shared the history of B-Teams and 5<sup>th</sup> grade participation and when public comment is allowed at the beginning and end of the meetings. Katrina Martin thanked the school committee for hearing and listening to the concerns from her correspondence over 5<sup>th</sup> grade participation in sports, communication and the amount of support for a B-team. She suggested involving the parents would have been beneficial.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**MINUTES:**

- **VOTED 4-0**, 1 abstention (Michael Mason) to approve the March 7, 2017 regular meeting minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Policy-ACAD-"Hazing"-2<sup>nd</sup> Reading-approved 5-0
- Policy-JEA- "Compulsory Attendance"-2<sup>nd</sup> Reading-approved 5-0
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Participation in Sports-No action taken

The committee discussed the sports concerns over 5<sup>th</sup> grade and participation in sports. Michael Mason suggested it would be worth a deeper investigation into sports philosophies and sports offerings. The initial intent was to look at how many 6th-8th graders might be interested. The committee reviewed the members of the PVML that had B-Teams for baseball and softball as well as their 5<sup>th</sup> grade participation policies. A former discussion was that many 5<sup>th</sup> graders reported they understood the purpose of the sign ups and it was consistent with other sign up throughout. Glendon Rand suggested that if they were to look at adding another extracurricular activity the students who are not currently being served should be the priority of the inquiry.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Bill Warrant #30-approved 5-0
- Policy -ECB-"Pest Management in School Facilities and on School Grounds"-1<sup>st</sup> Reading-approved 5-0
- Policy-ECB-E1-"Pest Management Notification"-1<sup>st</sup> Reading-approved 5-0
- Policy-ECB-E2-"Notice of Planned Pesticide Application"-1<sup>st</sup> Reading-approved 5-0
- 2017-18 Calendar-approved 5-0
- 2017-18 School Committee Dates-approved 5-0

**REPORTS:**

- Principal's report (J. Marvin) - Received 5-0
- Assistant Principal's report (J. Mugnai) - Received 5-0
- Pupil Services Director's Report - Received 4-0
- Superintendent's report (J. Stoneton) - Received 5-0
- Brewer School Report (G. Rand) - Received 5-0

**PERSONNEL:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**RESIGNATIONS/LEAVES:**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade-Roxanne Lent-received with respect and regret 5-0
- World Language- Carolyn Horth-received with respect and regret 5-0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION / NEGOTIATIONS:**

**OTHER:**

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/ BOARD:**

Katrina Martin shared that she appreciated being heard but to remember that a small sample of students is not representative of all. She would suggest that the committee look at communication and how to make it better to include all the parents. A greater response would occur if more parental involvement transpired.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Approved 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 5:55PM

**NEXT MEETING -Tuesday, May 2, 2017 7:00PM Regular Meeting**

Respectfully submitted,

*James Stoneton*

James Stoneton, Superintendent of Schools  
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