NPS School Committee - Executive Session

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING - EXECUTIVE SESSION

September 11, 2020

<u>Present</u>: Pauline Proch, Chair; Jennifer Iller, Vice Chair, Zona Tanner-Butler, Secretary, Steve Sortevik, Superintendent Elizabeth Hallett, School Committee Clerk Logan O'Connor

At 5:09pm, Pauline Proch called the meeting to order in Executive session, already in Open session, adjourned to Executive session via a new Zoom link. A motion was made by Steve Sortevik, and seconded by Zona Tanner-Butler, to enter Executive Session to consider Collective Bargaining. The motion was unanimously approved through a roll call vote.

Superintendent Elizabeth Hallett shared the Negotiations team and the NTA have been hard at work to draft a MOA for ratification and approval. Earlier today, the tentative agreement that was penned on Monday, passed by vote from the Teacher's Union. It is now before the School Committee for their vote of approval. Steve Sortevik asked about the three other Units: Teaching Assistants, ESP and Facilities. Dr. Hallett said the other three are close to finalizing. Zona Butler asked about the vote statistics which were not available. She made a motion to approve the MOA as presented, with Steve Sortevik seconding, none opposing, and the motion carried by roll call vote. All agreed a great job by all.

Steve Sortevik asked about a misquote in the newspaper which broke into discussion among the Committee about the appropriate response to the paper or news venues. It was agreed by most, all should defer to the Chair as spokesperson for the School Committee. There was a fair amount of debate regarding this topic.

The Executive Session was adjourned by roll call vote at 5:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Logan O'Connor School Committee Clerk