

EASTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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EASTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE WORKSHOP MINUTES
Monday, December 11, 2017

Minutes of School Committee Meeting, December 11, 2017, 50 Oliver Street, Upstairs Conference Room at 12:10 p.m. Present: Jacqueline Weisman, Jane Martin, Caroline O'Neill and Nancy De Luca.

Ms. Durrance was not in attendance.

Call Meeting to Order:

Chair Weisman called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

School Committee Review and Discussion of the Draft Pledge Agreement Between the Easton Public Schools and the Group Donating to Name the Oliver Ames Auditorium After Charlene Dalrymple:

Chair Weisman reviewed the draft Pledge Agreement with the members. Ms. O'Neill noted two typographical errors, which were corrected. Ms. Martin noted the reference to the Charlene Dalrymple Auditorium should be changed to the Charlene Dalrymple Performing Arts Center. The Committee reviewed every section of the Agreement.

Section 1 – The Pledge. Ms. O'Neill and Ms. Martin both stated that they thought the full term of the Agreement should be six years. Chair Weisman and Ms. DeLuca agreed. Ms. DeLuca suggested the first conveyance of funds should be one year after the Agreement is signed and the other members agreed.

Section 2 – The Name. Chair Weisman said she would revise all reference to the auditorium as the Charlene Dalrymple Performing Arts Center. The Committee members agreed with the rest of the paragraph.

Section 3 – Display of Name. Chair Weisman had inserted a question regarding how to describe where the sign would be displayed. Ms. DeLuca suggested that after the sentence

“[t]he parties agree that signage identifying the Auditorium as the Charlene Dalrymple Performing Arts Center will be displayed”

the following language should be added:

“on the Atrium wall immediately next to the main Auditorium entrance.”

The Committee members agreed with the remaining language in the section.

Section 4. Ownership and Use. The Committee members agreed with the language contained in this section.

Section 5. Default and Remedies.

Ms. O'Neill suggested changing the thirty-day default to a sixty-day default. The Committee members agreed. Ms. O'Neill noted a typographical error at the end of paragraph (ii).

Section 6. Termination. Ms. O'Neill noted that the language in the last sentence of paragraph (ii) should be revised to be consistent with the School Committee policy. She suggested changing the word "Donor" to "Named Party" so that the last sentence will read:

The Donor may without refund of consideration, at its sole discretion, terminate its acceptance of the Agreement prior to the scheduled termination date, in the event that the District directly brings the Named Party into disrepute.

Section 7. Entire Agreement. The Committee members agreed to the language in this section.

Section 8. Term. The Committee members agreed to the language in this section.

Section 9. Assignments. The Committee members agreed to the language in this section.

Section 10. Independent Legal Counsel. The Committee members agreed to the language in this section.

Section 11. Governing Law. The Committee members agreed to the language in this section.

Section 12. Headings and Captions. The Committee members agreed to the language in this section.

The Committee members discussed next steps. It was decided that Chair Weisman would make the recommended edits and send the document back to the Committee members for a final review.

Chair Weisman then will send the draft to Ms. Less, Mr. Fernandes and Ms. Faust.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Chair Weisman, seconded by Ms. Martin, with a 4-0 vote, the meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacqueline Weisman", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Jacqueline Weisman
Secretary