

**ANDOVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ANDOVER, CT 06232
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday January 11, 2023
Virtual Meeting/School Library**

PRESENT: Chairperson Gerard Cremé, Chris Bernard, Shannon Louden, Steven Fuss, Celeste Willard, Caitlin Greenhouse, Mike Beckwith

ADMINISTRATION: Valerie Bruneau, Superintendent
Taylor Parker, Principal
Terri Smith, Finance Manager

OTHERS: Jennie Morrell, Teacher; Kirstina Frazier, Teacher; Erin Boris; Kelly Haggerty; Adam Teff (Titan/Greenskies); Kimberly Person; Beata Gadomski; Anne Cremé

1. Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Comments from the Public – None.

3. Communications – None.

4. Approval of Minutes

S. Fuss made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Education Meeting of December 14, 2022, S. Louden seconded no changes.

7-0-0 (PASSED)

5. Opportunity to Add or Delete Agenda Items – None.

6. Celebrations – None.

7. Reports

A. Chairperson’s Oral Report – None.

B. Superintendent’s Report

-Working on an After School Innovation grant, a two-year grant. This grant gives an opportunity to add things for the students that are not covered in the budget.

C. Principal’s Report

Around the School:

-Spelling Bee will be held this month, culminating in a school bee on 1/31/2023.

-Invention Convention is in full swing with students in 4th, 5th and 6th grades participating.

Professional Development & Curriculum:

-We were renewed for the grant through AQIS that provides monthly support as we go through the NAEYC accreditation process.

Days to Remember: January 16 – No School; January 26 – Winter Concert;
January 31 – Spelling Bee.

Enrollment: 197

D. Financial Report – As presented.

E. Items for Discussion and Actions

1. Solar Contract – Discussion.

S. Fuss made a motion, seconded by C. Greenhouse to vote to accept the Solar Contract, as presented.

7-0-0 (PASSED)

2. Board of Education Policies – Updated Policies (7000 Series)

S. Louden made a motion to accept Revisions/Review of 7000 Series Board of Education Policies, seconded by C. Willard.

7-0-0 (PASSED)

3. Discussion of Attendance at January 23rd Planning & Zoning Zoom Meeting – Discussion of changes for the zoning of the area.

4. AES 2023-2024 Budget – Discussion of Initial State of Finances – Discussion of budget.

F. Liaison Reports – None.

8. Comments from the Public

J. Morrell: Thank you for applying for the grants.

Erin Boris: Appreciated that the BOE will speak to the attorney about re-zoning of the school.

Beata Gadomski; First time listening to the BOE, thank you.

9. Executive Session

S. Louden made a motion at 8:55 p.m., seconded by C. Bernard to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Discussion of Attorney Recommendations/Action Regarding Legal Statute 10-220 Mandating Oversight of Property by the Board of Education.

7-0-0 (PASSED)

S. Louden made a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:43pm, seconded by G. Cremé to allow Chris Bernard to act on behalf of the whole Andover Board of Education, based on the recommendations of our attorney, Jessica Smith, regarding Andover's Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on January 23.

7-0-0 (PASSED)

10. Other Action Items – G. Cremé reminded the BOE of the Budget Workshop on January 18th.

11. Upcoming Meetings

- ◆ Regular Board Meeting – February 8, 2023
- ◆ Items for Next Meeting

12. Adjournment

S. Louden made a motion to adjourn at 9:46 p.m., seconded by C. Greenhouse.

7-0-0 (PASSED)

**Respectfully Submitted,
Gretchen L. Stein
Andover BOE Board Clerk**

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Request for Zoning Regulation Change

Date: 11/1/2022

Jed Larson, Chairman Andover Planning and Zoning Commission

Mr. Larson,

On behalf of the Board of Selectman, I request that the PZC consider the following Zone Change to the Andover Rural Design District.

Under Section 5a- Special Permit Uses

Current text: Section 5a.D.1 Schools

Proposed Text: Section 5a.D.1 Municipal Land Uses

Under the current Zoning in the ARD, neither the Town Hall, Fire Department, nor the proposed Community Center are permitted uses. This simple change preserves the zoning commissions discretion and authority by requiring a special permit but prevents needing variances to construct or modify these buildings. This matches the text in the Business and Industrial district

Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Anderson".

Date

11-1-2022

Eric Anderson Town Administrator, Town of Andover

On Behalf of the Board of Selectman

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