

## SHAWSHEEN VALLEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL 100 Cook Street, Billerica, MA 01821 School Council

Executive Session Minutes January 5, 2022

**In Attendance**: Jessica Cook, Principal; John Bagni, Faculty; Kerry O'Brien, Faculty; Paul Troisi, Community Representative; Rebecca Chaffee, parent; Debbie Barnes, Parent; Danielle Santiago, Parent; Alexa Strong, Student; Diane Cedorchuk, Recording Secretary; Rebecca Chaffee, Parent; Dr. Bradford Jackson, Superintendent-Director

**Absent**: James Marshall, Community Representative; Michael Parent, Student

Meeting went into Executive Session to discuss an Open Meeting Law compliant that was filed. Dr. Jackson explained to the members of the School Council that the law requires them to meet within 14 business days to review the complaint and that they could vote to designate him with the responsibility to review and respond to the complaint. The response must be in writing and must be sent to the complainant with a description of any action taken to address the allegations in the complaint. A copy of the response must also be sent to the Attorney General.

There was a question regarding how complaints have been handled in the past and Dr. Jackson explained that they are normally filed by members of the press or members of the public. A question was also asked if complaints are normally discussed in Executive Session. Dr. Jackson said the school's attorney recommended this be discussed in Executive Session.

Motion was made by Ms. O'Brien to designate Dr. Jackson with the responsibility to respond to the open meeting law complaint. Mr. Bagni seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, Mr. Bagni, Ms. O'Brien, Mr. Troisi, Ms. Chaffee, Ms. Barnes, Ms. Santiago, Ms. Cook and Alexa Strong voted yes. All in favor. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion to adjourn from executive session and return to open session was made by Ms. O'Brien and seconded by Alexa Strong. With a roll call vote, Mr. Bagni, Ms. O'Brien, Mr. Troisi, Ms. Chaffee, Ms. Barnes, Ms. Santiago, Ms. Cook, and Alexa Strong voted yes. All in favor. Motion to return to open session carried 8-0. All in favor. Executive Session adjourned at 2:49.

School council returned to open meeting.