



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

Meeting Minutes  
May 6, 2021

**In Attendance:** Jessica Cook, Principal; Paul Troisi, Community Representative; James Marshall, Community Representative; Lisa Zannelli, Danielle Santiago, Parent; Michael Parent, Student; Catia Melo, Student; Diane Cedorchuk, Recording Secretary

**Absent:** Paula DeLosh, Parent; John Bagni, Faculty; Kerry O'Brien, Faculty

**Call to Order:**

Ms. Cook motioned to call the meeting to order at 7:32 am.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Mr. Troisi, seconded by Ms. Santiago to accept the Minutes of April 15, 2021. With a roll call vote, Mr. Troisi, Ms. Zannelli, Ms. Santiago, Ms. DeLosh, Mr. Marshall, Ms. Cook, and Catia Melo and Michael Parent voted yes. Motion carried 8-0.

**Old Business:**

Ms. Cook noted how well the school year has gone. Lunches have been in three different areas, the café, gym and tent and has worked out well. Ms. Cook also explained how the school is preparing to “celebrate our seniors.” There is a list of events and we are finalizing graduation and prom. Spirit week will be their next academic week. Ms. Cook thanked the school council for all their help.

Ms. Cook recapped MCAS testing. The juniors have until tomorrow to decide if they want to take the MCAS. The juniors have the option to take MCAS for the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship.

**New Business:**

Ms. Cook went over the School Improvement Plan and mentioned the two major objectives for the School Council group is number one and two. Ms. Cook spoke about post pandemic support and Professional Development for the staff.

Mr. Marshall asked about summer school and Ms. Cook explained summer school will run June 15<sup>th</sup> through July 2<sup>nd</sup>. She also noted there will be summer MCAS program and a summer enrichment program. These programs will all be in person.

After reviewing the School Improvement Plan's first five objectives, Ms. Cook thanked the group for being so helpful. Ms. Cook motioned to approve moving forward the 5 objectives.

Mr. Marshall 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. The School Improvement Plan will go to the School Committee for approval.

Ms. Cook spoke about the student handbook. The attorney is in the process of reviewing the handbook. Ms. Cook spoke about a change in the handbook regarding lanyards. Lanyards will

not be required but students are required to have their ID on them at all times. Ms. Cook motioned to approve the change in lanyards. Ms. Zannelli 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.

Ms. Cook thanked the group and especially for the positive force they have played. Ms. Cook also thanked Catia Mello for serving on the School Council for her second year.

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Troisi motioned to adjourn. Ms. Zannelli 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. With a roll call vote, Mr. Troisi, Ms. Zannelli, Ms. DeLosh, Ms. Santiago, Mr. Marshall, Ms. Cook, Michael Parent and Catia Melo voted yes. Motion carried 8-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03.