WEYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Maintenance Department

To: Dr. Salim

From: Tom Slattery, Director of Maintenance

Date: December 17, 2013

Re: WHS Turf Field

As requested by Budget Sub-committee Chairperson Belmarsh at October 17th Budget Subcommittee meeting, I both hired and consulted with outside vendors to get information on the high school turf field, including the condition of the field, warranty information and all areas that need repairs. The school department is in receipt of a study done by Ryan Teeter, PE of Leading Design and Development, LLC. See attached reports. All areas tested were below the gmax factor of 200 (in layman's terms, bouncibility or firmness of field). However, the field has many deficiencies as outlined in Mr. Teeter's report and it was recommended that the high school turf field be replaced as opposed to spending money on a field that has outlived its life expectancy.

The warranty on this field has expired and any repairs or improvements need to be paid for by the school department. The cost to replace the existing turf field is \$550,000 which would include the hiring of an architectural firm to oversee this work.