

Weymouth School Committee Meeting  
MJL Humanities Center  
January 17, 2019  
Minutes

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<p><b>CALL TO ORDER</b> <b>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</b> <b>MOMENT OF SILENCE</b></p>	<p>7: 11 PM The regular meeting was called to order. All that were present stood for the pledge.</p>	
<p><b>MEMBERS</b> Strike out = absent</p>	<p>Lisa Belmarsh, Chair Tracey Nardone, Vice Chair John Sullivan, Secretary Gail Sheehan Kathy Curran Rebecca Sherlock-Shangraw <del>Robert Hedlund, Mayor</del></p>	<p>Jennifer Curtis-Whipple, Superintendent Susan Kustka, Assistant Superintendent Mary Ann Bryan, Assistant Superintendent Brian Smith, Assistant Superintendent</p>
<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA</b> * Items = tabled</p>	<p>Payment of Bills Warrant 30-2019, dated 1/22/19 in the amount of \$763,397.33</p> <p>Approval of Minutes: Regular Minutes: 12/12/18, 1/3/19 as corrected Executive Session: 12/12/18, 12/20/18 as corrected</p> <p>MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to approve the Consent Agenda as corrected SECOND: by Dr. Sullivan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p>	
<p><b>STUDENT ADVISORY</b></p>	<p>Katelyn Horan and Leah Duffy came to the table. They provided an update on Student voice and discussed how they met with Mr. Strauss to set up a meeting with Mr. Barker to find out what the installation process would be to get water bottle fillers.</p> <p>They also shared that the scholar wall night will be scheduled in the Spring, no definitive date yet, but probably March 3. They are also working on building the leadership wall.</p> <p>They discussed mid-years schedule and feel the schedule was not communicated early enough to have access to teachers, who had staff development on Tuesday and a faculty meeting on Wednesday. making them unavailable for extra help. This was on top of not having enough time to study in advance.</p> <p>They discussed that after Mid-year the student advisory group and administration will be hosting a vaping summit to see what they can do as a school to curb the vaping issues in bathrooms. All students are welcome to participate an all grades are invited to attend.</p>	

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	Students said closing some bathrooms had some positive effect on how the bathrooms were being treated, and most problems like missing doors were fixed over the vacation.
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b> Bold = speaker	<b>Chair Belmarsh opened public comment.</b> There was none
<b>REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT</b>	<p>Dr. Curtis-Whipple</p> <p>Matthew Owen will be the new SRO to support our middle schools starting on Tuesday. Officer Flanagan will be spending some time with him to transition. Officer Flanagan will be supporting our primary schools. A special thank you to Officer Joe Favreau who has done wonderful things for our school department. He is always welcome to come to any event we are having.</p> <p>Thank you District Attorney Michael Morrissey for donating Narcan tour school nurse offices.</p> <p>Dr. Curtis-Whipple share the following news that is happening at some of our schools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Adams Idol, a singing competition open to all students and inclusive, is set for January 24th</li> <li>● Adams HN team had a visit from Dr. Leighann Sullivan Willmann (PhD in biochemistry and cell biology), mother of 5th grader Liam Willman. She taught a lesson on the phases of the moon and the relationship between the Earth and the Moon. Team HN is getting ready to spearhead the "No Name Calling Week" poster contest for the school.</li> <li>● Hamilton students worked hard with BOKS to collect over 1,000 non-perishable items to be donated to the food pantry! The BOKS trainers will be getting "slimed" at our assembly next week to celebrate the students exceeding their goal of 1,000 items!</li> <li>● Murphy's First Lego League students are continuing their exciting after school program. 24 students are involved, working in conjunction with Mrs. Howard and a few WHS students.</li> <li>● Nash school nurse, Sharon Gannon, made the extra effort in reaching out to the community for support. This resulted in a collaboration with Delta Dental to identify a need, and arrange for their generous donation of valuable dental products for the students! A representative from Delta Dental personally delivered the products to the school. There were enough products for Sharon to share with her colleagues.</li> <li>● Our WHS IT students participated in CyberPatriot State challenge, one team was competing in the platinum round and one team in the gold round. The</li> </ul>

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	<p>team is awaiting results.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● CONGRATULATIONS TO Justin Galusha, AP Psychology teacher, who was just named the 2019 College Board's New England Regional Assembly Recognition Award recipient. This prestigious award is given to ONE New England teacher who has shown outstanding commitment to students and the field of education by enabling <b>underrepresented</b> students with academic and leadership potential to pursue and succeed in college. Justin was nominated by Principal Strauss, and he represents everything the School Committee and WHS has focused on in regard to providing rigorous opportunities for ALL Students.</li><li>● Justin will speak at the Regional College Board/AP forum on what this award means to him and to Weymouth Public Schools on Jan 29 in Boston. Way to go Justin!</li><li>● PD day was this past Tuesday, Jan 15th. It was a half day for students. We continued our work on standards-based instruction and curriculum mapping.</li></ul>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p><u>Chartwells - Scott Valentino and Elizabeth Sauro</u> Mr. Valentino presented a powerpoint presentation attached to these minutes. He reviewed prior year successes, heading into 2019.</p> <p>Ms. Elizabeth Sauro introduced herself to the Committee, she will be the new Food Service Director for Weymouth. She spoke about her background and is very excited to be here.</p> <p>Mr. Valentino reviewed results this year from August to December.</p> <p>Mrs. Curran discussed the new charging policy and increased marketing. Mr. Valentino addressed.</p> <p><u>Fund our Future - Michael Murphy, WEA President, Lynne Howard, WEA</u> Dr. Murphy and Ms. Howard came to the table asking for the School Committee's support of the Fund Our Future Resolution to fund public schools. Dr. Murphy's statement along with the resolution are attached to these minutes</p> <p>MOTION: by Dr. Sullivan to support the Fund Our Future Resolution SECOND: Mrs. Nardone UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p> <p>Ms. Howard shared that there will be a meeting on March 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Humanities Center about this resolution.</p>

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MOTION: by Mrs. Sheehan to write a letter in support of the Fund Our Future Resolution with all members signatures on the letter.

SECOND: Dr. Sherlock-Shangraw

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Review of 6th and 7th Open Meeting Law – Complaint by Gerard Mackin

Town Solicitor Joe Callanan

Mr. Callanan spoke of the 6th and 7th complaint that has been filed by Mr. Gerard Mackin and asked the committee to consider asking the Attorney General's office to be involved to appoint a mediator to try and resolve the dispute.

Mrs. Curran asked if there will be a second mediation or will this be part of the first. Attorney Callanan explained that he will ask for all complaints to be mediated together.

MOTION: by Dr. Sullivan to assign Town Solicitor, Joe Callanan to respond on the School Committee's behalf for the allegation of the violation of open meeting law by Gerard Mackin dated 1/5/19 and 1/9/19.

SECOND: Ms. Sherlock-Shangraw

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

MOTION: by Dr. Sullivan for Town Solicitor, Joe Callanan to seek Mediation with the filer, Gerard Mackin

SECOND: Ms. Sherlock-Shangraw

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

English Language Learners Update - Melanie Curtin

Melanie Curtin came to the table and presented a powerpoint presentation (attached to these minutes) All questions asked by the committee were addressed.

Report of the Policy Sub-Committee

Mrs. Sheehan read the policy sub-committee report into the record. The report is attached to these minutes.

MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to accept the report of the Policy Sub-Committee

SECOND: by Dr. Sullivan

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Mrs. Nardone wanted to give a "shout out" to interim athletic director, Peter Umbrianna for the wonderful presentation he gave at Budget Subcommittee last evening. A full report will be given at the next School Committee meeting on February 7, 2019.

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<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	<p><u>Chapman School Building Update</u> Mrs. Curran gave a quick update on the January 8th Building Committee meeting. Soke about modular classrooms. We will need a total of 7, for which we do not yet have a firm cost. These will include the option of adding extra lockers and some flex space. We also talked about generators and</p> <p>A luncheon and Q&amp;A with Seniors about the Chapman project will be held on February 5th at 12:30 at the Whipple Center.</p> <p>There will be tours of Chapman for Public February 9th from 11-1 at Chapman Middle School</p> <p>There will be a School Building Committee meeting (Joint with School Committee) February 12th 6:30 at the Humanities center of the High School to vote on the schematic design and project budget.</p> <p>All presentations, minutes and other information regarding the School Building project can be found at: <a href="http://www.anewchapman.org">www.anewchapman.org</a></p>
<b>Announcements</b>	<p>School Building Committee Meeting (Joint with School Committee) February 12th 6:30 at Humanities SEPAC - February 5, 2019 - 7:00 Abigail Adams TWPC - February 12, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m. - Humanities</p> <p>Mrs. Sheehan shared that at the last TWPC meeting there was a 40th anniversary presentation. Veteran and founding members of TWPC came to the meeting. A special thank you was given to Mary Ellen Devine. Weymouth Market- February 6, 2019-3:30-5:30 - WHS Gold Cafeteria</p>
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	<p><b>Meeting of the WSC</b> Thursday, February 7, 2019 – 7:00 PM – MJL Humanities Center, WHS</p>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p>MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. SECOND: by Dr. Sullivan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p>
	<p>Warrant 30-2019, dated 1/22/19 in the amount of \$763,397.33</p> <p>Regular Minutes: 12/12/18, 1/3/19 as corrected Executive Session: 12/12/18, 12/20/18 as corrected</p> <p>Review of 6th and 7th Open Meeting Law complaint Chartwells Presentation Fund our Future English Language Learners Presentation Policy Sub-Committee Report</p>

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John Sullivan, Secretary