

**WEYMOUTH SCHOOL COMMITTEE
M I N U T E S
(Approved 2/2/17)**

Date: January 5, 2017

Present: Chair Belmarsh, Mrs. Sheehan, Mrs. Nardone, Mrs. Curran, Dr. Sullivan and Mayor Hedlund (arrived at 7:10 p.m.)

Absent: Ms. Flemer

Also present: Superintendent Curtis-Whipple, Assistant Superintendent Kelly Stukenborg, Assistant Superintendent Kustka and Business Manager Mary Lee

Call to Order

At 7:01 p.m. Chair Belmarsh called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Consent Agenda

Warrant 28-2017 in the amount of \$1,158,226.24

Approval of Minutes: December 1, 2016 & December 15, 2016

Field Trips

- ♦ WHS Grades 10-12 Athletic Track and Field, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, Friday, January 6 – Saturday, January 7, 2017.

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Curran, it was voted to consent agenda. So voted, 7:02 p.m.

On motion of Dr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone, to amend the consent agenda to add payment of bills, Warrant # 28-2017 in the amount of \$1,158,226.24. So voted, 7:16 p.m.

Student Advisory Committee

Chair Belmarsh invited the Student Advisory Committee to the table. Students at the meeting were Rebecca, Sabrina and Neil.

Rebecca reported on WHS raising \$7500 for the Weymouth Food Pantry and also raised \$1500 for holiday baskets. WHS GSA will be having a coffee house on Saturday, January 28th from 2-6 p.m. in the Gold Cafeteria.

Sabrina reported that the music department is starting fundraising for spring trip to Hershey Park. Sabrina invited School Committee members to check out the new Announcement boards.

Neil reported that the Student Voice Summit met today. Reviewed bills passed, dress code/behavior/disrespect around school. Neil reported on Mr. Haviland's comments at the summit around arguments and fighting along with the concern for respect.

Rebecca asked that Student Advisory be taken off the January 19th agenda due to having mid-terms.

Neil reports on graduation gown colors. The biggest goal is to take away the gender color issue.

Mayor Hedlund arrives at 7:08pm

Public Comment

Chair Belmarsh opened the meeting to public comment.

Elizabeth Foster-Nolan came to the table. Ms. Foster-Nolan asked for follow-up regarding minutes for the meeting of the whole and when they will be approved and posted on website as they are only posted thru April 2016. Also requested information around executive session minutes and asked when they will be released. Chair Belmarsh stated that there is no plan to release Executive Session minutes at this time. Chair Belmarsh will check on minutes posted as well as when meeting of the whole minutes will be ready for approval at School Committee.

Superintendent's Report

Correspondence

Dr. Curtis-Whipple wanted to share how wonderful the schools looked after winter break. Thanked the maintenance and custodial staff for all of their hard work during this time.

Dr. Curtis-Whipple shared that the Adams Chorus will be performing at the Providence Bruins game on January 13th.

Kathy Knudsen and WHS staff organized and provided gifts and baskets to the "Things for Teens" project.

Dr. Curtis-Whipple congratulated the WHS students on their Student Summit it was very well done.

A discussion surrounding the behavior at WHS recently and the expectations going forward was reviewed.

Mrs. Sheehan stated the Committee has not had an update about enrollment from Southfield/Union Point in a while. Dr. Curtis-Whipple stated there are no new students at this time.

Mrs. Curran asked for an update on financials, revolving etc.

New Business

Director of Educational Technology Job Description

Dr. Curtis-Whipple discussed the need for an updated job description.

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve the updated Director of Educational Technology job description as dated 12/15/16. So voted, 7:18 p.m.

Discuss submitting a statement of interest to MSBA for Replacement of Boilers at Wessagusset, Hamilton and Johnson Early Childhood Center

Dr. Curtis-Whipple reviewed the details around submitting a statement of interest to MSBA accelerated repair program for boilers at Wessagusset, Hamilton and Johnson Early Childhood Center. She reviewed the tight timelines associated with doing this as the application is due on February 17th. Suggested that this is something the School Committee should consider. Mrs. Curran asked if there will be one SOI or three separate. Dr. Curtis-Whipple explained there will be one for each school.

Discussion of dates, details and process was had by the Committee.

Old Business

Capital Improvements Amended Priority List

Dr. Curtis Whipple reviewed the amended capital improvements amended list. Discussed the items on the list that were updated; computer hardware numbers were changed. Chair Belmarsh reviewed the changes.

Mrs. Sheehan through the Chair to Mayor Hedlund asks about free cash. Mayor Hedlund discusses.

Business Manager Mary Lee reviews the entire document with the committee and discusses changes to the master document. Mrs. Lee reviews the different colors on the document and its meaning.

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve the amended Capital Improvements priority list. So voted, 7:36 p.m.

Policy IJOA – Field Trips – Second Reading

Chair Belmarsh opened the meeting for public comment. There was none. Chair Belmarsh moved to third reading.

Policy JICC – Student Conduct on School Buses – First Reading

Chair Belmarsh opened the meeting for public comment. There was none. Chair Belmarsh moved to third reading.

EEAEC – Student Conduct on School Buses – First Reading

Chair Belmarsh opened the meeting for public comment. There was none. Chair Belmarsh moved to third reading.

Policy JJA-R – Student Travel Regulations – Third Reading

Mrs. Curran discusses that this item will be brought back to policy sub-committee for further discussion.

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to send policy JJA-R – Student Travel Regulations back to Policy sub-committee. So voted, 7:39 p.m.

Policy JC – Individual School Districts – Third Reading

Mrs. Curran read the policy. Clarifies that the new name of this policy will be Assigned School Zones.

A motion made by Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve policy JC – Assigned School Zones.

Mayor Hedlund requests details on consulting and what drives a change in school zoning. Dr. Curtis-Whipple and Mrs. Sheehan clarify.

The motion is reread.

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve policy JC – Assigned School Zones. So voted, 7:54 p.m.

Policy JCA – Assignment of Students to Schools –Third Reading

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve policy JCA – Assignment of Students to Schools. So voted, 7:55 p.m.

Mrs. Curran comments that the policy has been taken down on website. Kelly Stukenborg discusses the timeline and rationale.

Chair Belmarsh has concerns that we need public access to the manual.

Mrs. Sheehan suggested that it be discussed at the Policy meeting on Monday.

MSBA Chapman Feasibility Study

There are no updates to share out at this time. Chair Belmarsh reviews dates that are important. The legal notice due to the central registrar has been submitted for our OCM Project Manager.

Chair Belmarsh discusses the request for services. The next date is an informal site visit on January 10th at Chapman Middle School.

Mrs. Sheehan asks that information be made available to the committee from the building committee. Chair Belmarsh assures that will happen.

Announcements

The Budget Sub-Committee will meet on January 11th at 6:00 p.m. at the School Administration Building.

Special meeting of SEPAC will be held on January 10th from 7-9 p.m. at Tufts Library.

Town Wide Parent Council will meet on Tuesday, January 10th.

WEF Quiz Night will be held on Friday March 31st at the Elks.

Next Meeting of the Weymouth School Committee Meeting of the Whole

The Weymouth School Committee will next meet on January 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the room across from the Mary J. Livingstone Humanities Center at Weymouth High School.

Next Meeting of the Weymouth School Committee

The Weymouth School Committee will next meet on December 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary J. Livingstone Humanities Center at Weymouth High School.

Adjourn

At 8:00 p.m., on motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Nardone, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Sheehan – Secretary

APPROVED

Weymouth School Committee Meeting
January 5, 2017

Documents Related to Meeting and Retained at School Administration Building

- Agenda
- Warrant 28-2017 in the amount of \$1,158,226.24
- Minutes
 - December 1, 2016 & December 15, 2016
- Field Trips
 - ♦ WHS Grades 10-12 Athletic Track and Field, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, Friday, January 6 – Saturday, January 7, 2017.
- Capital Improvements Amended Priority List (Action Required)
- Policy IJOA – Field Trips – Second Reading
- Policy JICC – Student Conduct on School Buses – Second Reading
- Policy EEAECE – Student Conduct on School Buses –Second Reading
- Policy JJA-R – Student Travel Regulations – Third Reading
- Policy JC – Individual School Districts – Third Reading
- Policy JCA – Assignment of Students to Schools –Third Reading