

**WEYMOUTH SCHOOL COMMITTEE
M I N U T E S (approved 10/8/15)**

Date: May 28, 2015

Location: Mary J. Livingstone Humanities Center
Weymouth High School

Present: Chairman Guilfoyle, Mrs. Sheehan, Ms. Flemer, Mrs. Curran, Mrs. Nardone,
Mayor Kay

Also present: Superintendent Salim, Assistant Superintendents Curtis-Whipple and Kustka and
Business Manager David Proule.

Absent: Ms. Belmarsh

Call to Order

At 7:05 pm Chairman Guilfoyle called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Curran the minutes for March 23, 2015 were tabled. So voted, 7:06 p.m.

Student Advisory

Mrs. Sharon Yannizzi and Mr. Jonathan Dimodica came to the table to review communication with the recent lockdown at Weymouth High School. Also spoke to a meeting with Principal Haviland regarding the student voice summit.

Public Comment

Mr. Thomas Healy spoke to staffing and budget at Academy Avenue.

Committee Announcements

Mrs. Sheehan announced next SEPAC Meeting will be on June 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the Adams Middle School Library. TWPC will meet on June 7th at 7:30 p.m. at WHS Humanities Center.

Mrs. Nardone thanked the post-prom supporters. Mrs. Nardone also commented on the recent lock-down at WHS.

Mrs. Curran commented on the Memorial Day Parade and the Marching Band's participation.

Mayor Kay announced the re-dedication of Legion Field on June 20th. Also announced that Bill McKinney, CFO for the Town of Weymouth has resigned and will be working for the State.

Chairman Guilfoyle thanked the WPD, WFD and Fallon Emergency Services for their quick response to the lockdown at WHS.

Chairman Guilfoyle recognized that Tom Slattery, Director of Maintenance for WPS is retiring at 39 years with the District.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Salim reviewed the State Senate approved budget.

The Nash School performed Pirates of Penzance today.

Dr. Salim asked Laura Stevenson to come to the table to provide a follow-up to the Envision the Future Residential Program at Bridgewater University during summer 2015. Mrs. Stevenson introduced the 5 students chosen to attend and had each student share their essays.

Committee members congratulated each of the girls.

Dr. Salim announced that the STEM compact meeting will be at WHS on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Salim provided information on the district-wide field day event, Weycathlon on June 15th.

Chairman Guilfoyle stepped out of the meeting at 7:25 p.m. and returned at 7:28 p.m. and again at 7:30 p.m. returning at 7:34 p.m.

Southfield

There were no updates.

Chairman Guilfoyle stepped out of the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Report on Teaching and Learning

Dr. Salim invited Interim Director for Special Education Joan Woodward to the table to provide an update on the Special Education Initiatives in Weymouth Public Schools. Ms. Woodward provided a powerpoint presentation reviewing enrollment statistics, district-wide programs, out of district placement; and program needs. All questions asked by the committee were addressed.

Chairman Guilfoyle returns to meeting at 8:00pm

Reports of Sub-Committees

- Budget Sub-Committee
- Dr. Salim announced that the next meeting of the Budget Sub-Committee is on June 17, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at School Administration.
- Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee
- There is no report for Collective Bargaining at this time. Ms. Flemer stated that there have been various meetings with unions.
- Policy Review Sub-Committee
- There is no report at this time. Mrs. Sheehan stated that there will be another meeting before the end of the school year.

Discussion Items

Proposed Changes to the District Section of the Handbook – Second Reading

Mrs. Sheehan asked if there was any public comment, there was none. Ms. Flemer stated since there was no public comment could we combine second and third readings.

On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mayor Kay to combine the second and third reading of the Proposed Changes to the District Section of the Handbook. So voted. 8:28 p.m.

On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Flemer it was unanimously voted to support the changes to the district section of the handbook. So Voted, 8:29 p.m.

Chapman Feasibility

There was no report.

Action Items

- **Bills Paid**
On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Flemer it was unanimously voted to pay the bills on Warrant # 48-2015 in the amount of \$680,690.86 with money to pay. So voted, 8:44 p.m.
- **Approval for Honorary Diploma for WWII Veteran: Robert D. Greene**
On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Flemer it was unanimously voted to approve the honorary diploma for WWII Veteran Robert D. Greene. So voted, 8:34 p.m.
- **Field Trip Request – WHS CTE to Galt House Hotel, Louisville, KY Skills USA National Competition, June 22-27, 2015**
On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Flemer, it was unanimously voted to approve this request. So voted, 8:35 p.m.

New Business

Mrs. Sheehan spoke to Dr. Salim about lack of publicity for the High School Variety Show. Need to advertise this better.

Mrs. Sheehan asked if Chartwells could attend one of the Committee's June meetings, has heard many concerns parents have and want to hear what they are before we sign a new contract with them. Dr. Salim will arrange. Mrs. Sheehan stated TWPC has also requested they attend one of their meetings but there was no response.

Mrs. Sheehan stated that a member of the union wanted to come to talk about school safety and morale. Would like to know why they can't come and speak under public comment? Chairman Guilfoyle explains.

Mrs. Sheehan is still very interested in doing a survey with the staff regarding the morale and would like to pursue this. Chairman Guilfoyle stated that we cannot right now due to negotiations.

Mrs. Curran saw in the paper that the Weymouth Catholic Club is disbanding and giving a \$30,000 gift to WPS. Would like to know where it will go. Chairman Guilfoyle stated it cannot be earmarked and will go on the district line. Wanted to thank them.

Executive Session

On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to table executive session. So voted, 8:41 p.m.

Next Meeting of the Weymouth School Committee

The Weymouth School Committee will next meet on June 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary J. Livingstone Humanities Center at Weymouth High School.

Adjourn

At 8:41 p.m., on motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Flemer, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana R. Flemer – Secretary

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Documents Related to Meeting and Retained at School Administration Building

- Agenda
- Special Education Initiatives in Weymouth Public Schools
- Warrant 48-2015 - \$680,690.86