

Weymouth School Committee Meeting
 MJL Humanities Center
 September 20, 2018
 Minutes
 Approved 10/18/18

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| CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOMENT OF SILENCE | 7:00 PM The regular meeting was called to order. All that were present stood for the pledge. Dr. Sullivan left the table after the pledge and returned at the beginning of the superintendent's report. | |
| MEMBERS Strike out = absent | Lisa Belmarsh, Chair Tracey Nardone, Vice Chair John Sullivan, Secretary Gail Sheehan Kathy Curran Rebecca Sherlock-Shangraw Robert Hedlund, Mayor | Jennifer Curtis-Whipple, Superintendent Susan Kustka, Assistant Superintendent Mary Ann Bryan, Assistant Superintendent Brian Smith, Assistant Superintendent |
| | MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to pull the executive minutes of 8/23/18 from the consent agenda SECOND: by Mrs. Sheehan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to table the executive minutes of 8/23/18 from the consent agenda SECOND: by Mrs. Sheehan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED | |
| CONSENT AGENDA * Items = tabled | Payment of Bills Warrant 13-2019, dated 9/20/18 in the amount of \$1,106,028,110.40 WHS Field Trip Request to Johnson & Wales, RI October 29, 2018 Approval of Minutes: Regular Minutes: 7/26/18; 8/23/18 MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to approve the Consent Agenda as presented SECOND: by Mrs. Sheehan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED John Sullivan arrived at 7:05 p.m. | |
| PUBLIC COMMENT Bold = speaker | Chair Belmarsh opened public comment. There was none | |
| REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT | Dr. Curtis-Whipple recapped the colloquium kickoff, visit by AG Maura Healey and "Project Here," Chromebook 1:1 rollout, Combined Middle School Parent Council, and the introduction of "Club Fair" at the WHS. There were some questions regarding the Chromebook rollout: Mrs. Sheehan wanted to know about those who have not yet | |

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| | <p>received Chromebooks. Dr. Curtis-Whipple said there was only a small number without a Chromebook and the Technology Dept is working on getting everyone equipped There are Chromebook rollout carts available to those students to have not yet received one. Mrs. Sheehan also inquired about the handicap accessibility and was informed that M. Pace has already made the appropriate accommodations. Ms. Sheehan also requested monthly business reports from Asst. Superintendent Brian Smith. Chair Belmarsh asked for an update on the \$75K state grant sponsored by Senator Patrick O'Connor for Safety and the \$10K for the backpack initiative. Dr. Whipple reported that the backpacks have been distributed and John Barker and Mike Pace are working in cooperation with the WPD to see how to best utilize those funds. Ms. Belmarsh suggested inviting the WPD to a School Committee Meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Curtis-Whipple introduced two of our new Administrators: Allison Mezzetti, Assistant Curriculum Director, ELA James Murphy, Assistant Curriculum Director, Social Studies</p> |
| NEW BUSINESS | <p><u>Staffing Update and Human Resources – Dr. Susan Kustka</u> Dr. Kustka reviewed the attached presentation, Mrs. Sheehan asked for the meaning of the acronym BCBA(pg 3). It stands for Board Certified Behavior Analyst. She also asked for the a report on the number staff that have retired, resigned or transferred. Ms. Belmarsh noted the increase in the number of Building Substitutes has helped with Inclusion and Dr. Kustka added that the additional staff has given the teachers more flexibility to cover planning times and coordination between staff.</p> <p><u>Unified Sports Parent/Guardian Consent Form - and Unified Sports Fee (Action Requested):</u> Principal Strauss and Stephen Clements presented the Unified Sports Consent form and spoke of the proposed \$50 sports fee. He said that 22 students with disabilities have registered. The schedule for this program will be Fall-Basketball, Winter-Bocce and Spring-Track & Field and there will be three home and three away games/competitions. He is hoping to get students who are assisting in this program who are not committed elsewhere so that they can make a full commitment and maintain consistency. Dr. Sherlock-Shangraw supported the fee but would like to document reworded to be more inclusive and Lisa Belmarsh echoed that sentiment. Kathy Curran wanted to know if the \$50 fee was for uniforms. Principal Strauss stated that the uniforms were equipped from the existing varsity uniforms, stipends would be used to cover the coaches and the fees would be used to cover additional costs such as buses. 7:48 pm Mrs. Nardone made a motion to approve, seconded by Dr. Sullivan and the request was unanimously approved noting the change of wording from “son/daughter” to the more inclusive “child/student.”</p> |

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| | <p>Mrs. Curran asked how the robotics initiative was funded. A Grant funded the equipment and the Teacher was paid through the school budget.</p> <p>Mrs. Curran also inquired about the internet bandwidth and was informed that it has increased and is much improved.</p> <p><u>Report out of Executive Session Minutes: 5/24/18, 6/7/18, 6/19/18, 6/21/18,</u> MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to table the report out of Executive Session SECOND: by Dr. Sullivan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p> |
| OLD BUSINESS | <p><u>MSBA Chapman Feasibility Study</u> Chair Belmarsh shared an update. The Preferred Schematic Report should be completed by 10/31/18 and the Schematic Design should be completed in a shorter time-frame. The details will be discussed over the next few months. A Vote will follow the October meeting.</p> <p>All presentations, minutes and other information regarding the School Building project can be found at: www.anewchapman.org</p> |
| Announcements | <p>Announcements: SEPAC – October 2, 2018 – 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. – Abigail Adams School Library Weymouth Market – October 3, 2018 – First Wednesday of Every Month – 3:30 – 5:00 – Weymouth High School - Transportation will be available at Chapman leaving at about 4:30PM TWPC – October 9, 2018 – 7:00 p.m. – MJL Livingstone Humanities Center - WHS Policy Meeting - September 24, 2018 @ Administration WHS Class of 1983 Reunion October 6, 2018</p> |
| NEXT MEETING | <p>Next Meeting of the WSC Thursday, October 4, 2018 – 7:00 PM – MJL Humanities Center, WHS</p> |
| ADJOURNMENT | <p>MOTION: by Dr. Sullivan to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. SECOND: by Mrs. Sheehan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p> |
| ATTACHMENTS | <p>Warrant 13-2019, dated 9/20/18 in the amount of \$1,106,028,110.40 WHS Field Trip Request to Johnson & Wales, RI October 29, 2018 Approval of Minutes: Regular Minutes: 7/26/18; 8/23/18 Executive Session: 8/23/18 Staffing Update and Human Resources – Dr. Susan Kustka Unified Sports Parent/Guardian Consent Form - and Unified Sports Fee (Action Requested):</p> |

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Submitted by:

John Sullivan, Secretary