

Weymouth School Committee Meeting  
 MJL Humanities Center  
 March 22, 2018  
 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOMENT OF SILENCE	7:06 PM The regular meeting was called to order. All that were present stood for the pledge.	
<b>MEMBERS</b> Strike out = absent	Lisa Belmarsh, Chair Tracey Nardone, Vice Chair John Sullivan, Secretary <del>Gail Sheehan</del> Kathy Curran Rebecca Sherlock-Shangraw Robert Hedlund, Mayor	Jen Curtis-Whipple, Superintendent Susan Kustka, Assist. Superintendent Mary Ann Bryan, Interim Assist. Superintendent Mickey McGonagle, Interim Business Manager
<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b> * Items = tabled	Payment of Bills Warrant 39-2018, dated 3/26/18 in the amount of \$1,027,400.83  Field Trip: WHS CTE/Skills USA State Leadership & Skills Conference, Best Western Conference Center, Marlborough, MA Thursday, April 26 – Saturday, April 28, 2018.  Approval of Minutes: Regular Minutes: 2/15/18 & 3/8/18  MOTION: by Ms. Nardone to approve the Consent Agenda as presented SECOND: by Dr. Sullivan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED	
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b> Bold = speaker	<b>Chair Belmarsh opened public comment.</b> There was none.	
<b>STUDENT ADVISORY</b>	There was no report.	
<b>REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT</b>	Dr. Curtis- Whipple shared congratulations to John Pinizzotto, Dr. John Waggener and Andrea Montgomery all of whom were recognized as award winners for the Barnes and Noble "My favorite teacher" award.  Today our third and fourth grade classrooms teamed up with the edtech team and did an MCAS Training session today.  Academy is proud to report collecting 70 pairs of pajamas for the Boston Bruins Cradle to Crayons Pajama Drive. We kicked off our WFP canned food drive (sponsored by our Grade 2) from now through the end of March. Yesterday was Panda Day at Academy (Kindergarten's service learning project, picture attached).  Academy also kicked off a 4th Grade Media Club in Partnership with Chapman's Wildcat Media and teacher William Dreyfus.  Academy also had their Lip Sync on March 9 <sup>th</sup> . 25 groups totaling 92 students performed at the Adams Auditorium.  Thank you to Mayor Hedlund and Councilor Hackett for hosting our School Council visit. Our students had a blast and learned a lot.	

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	<p>March is Music In Our Schools Month, several events to celebrate the power of music at Abigail Adams including a poster contest (winner gets a ukulele), theme days every Monday in March, special rehearsals/performances, collaboration between Adams and Chapman and Primary and Adams music staff to prepare students for Weymouth's Got Talent on March 13th at WHS. Ex: 4th graders have been visiting Adams to rehearse with 5th grade members of Musical Club on a choral piece, and 6th grade members of Musical Club have been going to Chapman to rehearse with Mr. Loud and members of the 7-8 grade choir.</p> <p>Mrs. Curran shared that Principal Strauss changed the unplugged event to the evening on Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Dr. Curtis-Whipple shared a picture of the primary schools sharing kindness activity that is currently hanging outside of the Humanities Center.</p> <p>Chair Belmarsh shared that she attended the Weymouth High School event this past week. She shared how impressive each of the projects/presentations were. She also spoke about attendees talking about how articulate students are. Thanked the Mayor for all of his staff that came to judge.</p>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p><u>Curriculum Mapping</u> Maryann Bryan, Melanie Curtin, Terri Marculitis, Katheryn Shannon, Sarah Hickey, Justin Galusha, Kate Palladino, and Kelly Stukenborg came to the table to present their entry findings. Each member introduced themselves.</p> <p>They reviewed a powerpoint presentation attached to these minutes. They reviewed the entry plan purpose, alignment and findings, curriculum, instruction and assessment, curriculum documents and next steps.</p> <p>Questions and comments were taken from the committee.</p> <p><u>Policy Sub-Committee Report</u> Mrs. Curran stated there is no report due to Mrs. Sheehan being unexpectedly absent from this meeting. The report is tabled.</p> <p>MOTION: by Mrs. Nardone to table the report of the Policy Sub-Committee SECOND: by Dr. Sullivan UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p> <p><u>Policy ILCD – Administering Medications to Students – First Reading</u> Mrs. Curran read the policy with changes into the record. Attached to these minutes. Paula Magnasco, Nurse Leader for the district came to the table and reviewed the policy as well.</p> <p>Chair moved to second reading.</p> <p><u>Budget Sub-Committee Report</u> Mrs. Nardone read the Budget Sub-Committee report from March 14, 2018 into the record. The report is attached to these minutes.</p>

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MOTION: by Dr. Sullivan to approve the report of the Budget Sub-Committee as presented  
SECOND: by Ms. Sherlock-Shangraw  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Submission of Proposed FY19 School Department Budget (action requested)

Dr. Curtis-Whipple provided an overview of the FY19 School Department Budget. The powerpoint presentation is attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Curran read an email from Mrs. Sheehan that was asked to be read into the record  
“Mrs. Sheehan will not - tonight or in the future - support the level service budget number. I feel we need to include the additional amount of \$955,444 from our Fiscal Year 2019 needs list; the \$507,000 needed for the technology infrastructure, the \$493,300 for the additional technology devices our students need (which is part of our 5-year plan) and the \$150,000 for the new security entrances for the remaining 7 primary schools. This would bring the total to \$72,894,422 - a budget request # that I would support. I strongly feel our job is to vocally advocate for what the School Department needs - and these items are a priority of mine. Thank you, Gail Sheehan”

Mrs. Curran stated she thinks that the Committee should submit to town the total amount of our needs – it is the Committees job to advocate for the student staff of our town. Hopes we vote the true budget number we need for our district.

Dr. Sullivan – acknowledged and thanked the many people who emailed about our students for our social emotional needs. Process is working. Request is on our needs list. Matter of which we number we use. Work on the budget all year long. Thanked the President of Town Council that attended our meeting this evening.

Ms. Sherlock –Shangraw asked about the next steps of the process. Chair Belmarsh outlined the process.

Ms. Sherlock –Shangraw asked what the Mayor will be getting. Mr. McGonagle shared the process.

Chair Belmarsh stated this does not end tonight, we will go back to budget sub.

The actual number comes to us later – we continue the review of the budget. As the year progresses we can make modifications of the budget. We continue to look at where there are pockets of savings. The town has done the last couple of years we are informed of those funds. If our number has to change we will come back to the table to come back to vote.

Mayor Hedlund added a couple of comments. Thanked member Sheehan for her comments. He went on further to explain that the security upgrades and IT issues – are part of the capital budget. We are aggressively funding that on the 5 year plan. We are ahead of schedule. It is the Mayor’s hope that the Committee will vote for a level service budget.

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	<p>Chair Belmarsh shared her comments on the budget – in her 8 years on the Committee the budget process is different every year the needs never go away. The needs process illustrates what it takes to run a school system. It opens up discussion and brings items to the table. There is always something new. We need to prioritize and vote a responsible budget. A number to take into account the money that will be coming in. Don't want to go back to a system that doesn't work. Solid progress in our budget. We will still send our needs list to the mayor and town council</p> <p>Mayor Hedlund - recognized Council President Smart for being here.</p> <p>MOTION:       by Mrs. Nardone to approve the FY19 School Department Budget in the amount of \$70,788,678 along with the proposed Needs List in the amount of \$955,444 to send to the Mayor's office.</p> <p>SECOND:       by Dr. Sullivan</p> <p>Mrs. Curran asked for clarification. Mrs. Curran thinks the Committee should combine the two and ask for what we need. She stated she appreciated the Mayors comments but thinks that we should send the combined number to the Mayor. Will not support budget.</p> <p>A vote was taken. 6 YES/1 NO MOTION PASSES</p>
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	<p><u>MSBA Chapman Feasibility Study</u></p> <p>The Chair shared there have been no changes at this time. Still waiting for MSBA's review of our documents at this time.</p>
<b>Announcements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 17<sup>th</sup> Annual "Who Wants to be a Know-it-All" will be on Friday, April 6, 2018 at the Weymouth Elks.</li> <li>• Policy Sub-Committee –April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6:00 p.m. – MJL Humanities Center</li> <li>• Budget Sub-Committee – April 4<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m. – 111 Middle Street</li> <li>• Weymouth Market – April 4<sup>th</sup> – 3:30 – 5:00 – Chapman Middle School</li> <li>• SEPAC Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Alpha Sanford will be the guest speaker.</li> <li>• Community Series: Off the Ladder of Addiction – Prescription / Over-the-counter drugs and Methamphetamines, March 15<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m. – Weymouth Police Station</li> </ul>
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	<p><b>Next Meeting of the WSC Meeting</b></p> <p>Thursday, April 5, 2018 – 7:00 PM – MJL Humanities Center, WHS</p>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p>MOTION:       by Ms. Nardone to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.</p> <p>SECOND:       by Dr. Sullivan</p> <p>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</p>
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>	<p>Warrant 39-2018, dated 3/26/18 in the amount of \$1,027,400.83</p> <p>Field Trip: WHS CTE/Skills USA State Leadership &amp; Skills Conference, Best Western Conference Center, Marlborough, MA Thursday, April 26 – Saturday, April 28, 2018.</p> <p>Minutes: Regular Minutes: 2/15/18 &amp; 3/8/18</p> <p>Curriculum Presentation</p> <p>Budget Presentation</p> <p>Policy JLCD</p>

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John Sullivan, Secretary