

Weymouth School Committee Meeting
 MJL Humanities Center – WHS
 December 7, 2017
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CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOMENT OF SILENCE	7:05 PM All that were present stood for the pledge	
MEMBERS Strike out = absent	Lisa Belmarsh, Chair Diana Flemer, Vice Chair Gail Sheehan, Secretary Kathy Curran Robert Hedlund, Mayor Tracey Nardone John Sullivan	Jen Curtis-Whipple, Superintendent Susan Kustka, Assist. Superintendent Mary Ann Bryan, Interim Assist. Superintendent
CONSENT AGENDA * Items = tabled	<p>a. Payment of Bills, Warrant # 24-2018 in the amount of \$1,121,731.39 with money to pay</p> <p>b. Approval of Minutes: Regular Minutes: 11/16/17 Executive Session: 11/16/17</p> <p>Motion made by Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the Consent Agenda with minutes as corrected – Vote: all yes, 0 no, 0 abstain 7:06PM</p>	
	<p>Chair Belmarsh took a moment to share appreciation for Diana Flemer as this is her last meeting as a school committee member. The Chair shared that Diana has been a member of this Committee for 19 years and that she will be missed.</p> <p>Each member thanked Diana and shared their thoughts of appreciation.</p> <p>Mayor Hedlund shared his appreciation for all that Ms. Flemer has done for the School Committee and presented her with a town tile.</p> <p>Superintendent Curtis-Whipple shared her thoughts on Ms. Flemer and all she has done for the School Community. Dr. Curtis-Whipple presented Ms. Flemer with a basket of gifts with items from each of our schools as well as a retirement box.</p> <p>Ms. Flemer thanked everyone.</p>	
PUBLIC COMMENT Bold = speaker	Chair Belmarsh opened public comment. There was none.	
STUDENT ADVISORY	<p>The Student Advisory team came to the table Each member introduced themselves. The students shared the new process for the Honor Wall at WHS. They shared issues with the bathroom locks and feminine products. The students spoke about the parking lot issues, speeding, running stop signs, they spoke to potentially having cameras in the parking lots.</p> <p>The brought up issues of censorship on Art and the Capstone project from last year. Regardless of the issues it should be talked about in an Academic Setting. They have had conversations with Mr. Strauss and will continue to do so.</p> <p>They shared there will be a Pep rally on December 22nd. The money raised will go to the Weymouth Food Pantry.</p> <p>They spoke about issues with school and society, we cannot ignore sexism and racism. Would like to have a Courageous Conversation program at WHS in the evening. It would be a community event to share experiences and have a Q&A. Will be speaking</p>	

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	<p>more with Mr. Strauss about this.</p>
	<p>Mayor Hedlund shared that he judged the High School Debate Club. Thanked Mr. McCarthy for an impressive debate.</p> <p>Shared that the finishing touches are being put on Libbey Field and will have a re-dedication in the spring.</p>
<p>REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT</p>	<p>Dr. Curtis-Whipple shared on Wednesday we had our first Weymouth Market sponsored by the Greater Boston Food Bank. Over 500 people registered and there was a great turnout. Dr. Curtis-Whipple thanked all of the Chapman staff and all volunteers for a successful event. These will be held the first Wednesday of every month.</p> <p>Dr. Curtis-Whipple shared that 3 students will be going to the Junior District Music Festival. Thank you to Jeanne Gilbert and Kathleen Kenney for all of their work with the students.</p> <p>A reminder to follow Dr. Curtis-Whipple on Twitter, @jcw_@wps</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <p>* Items = action required</p>	<p>Report on Teaching and Learning <u>School Improvement Plan – Primary Schools</u> Principals Patrick Higgins, Jeremy Burm, Kathy Guilfooy, Beth Drolet, Nate Thorsteinson, Patrick Costello, Nancy Schuhwerk and Rebecca Kelly came to the table. Dr. Curtis-Whipple provided an overview of their presentation as well as the process. The principals shared their School Improvement Plan Presentation. They shared a summary of student performance data, their professional practice goals and purpose, the four performance challenges; 1. Literacy; 2. Mathematics; 3. Family Engagement and 4. Social, Emotional and Behavioral Development. Presentation followed by questions and comments from Committee members. The presentation is attached to these minutes.</p> <p>Mrs. Curran left the meeting at 8:16 p.m. returned at 8:21 p.m.</p> <p>Mayor Hedlund left the meeting for the night at 8:21 p.m.</p> <p><u>Technology Update</u> Technology Director Brett Lindholm came to the table. Mr. Lindholm provided an overview of the district vision, five year goals, technology department staffing, organizational structure, technology department decision making, infrastructure, devices, and the five year technology funding plan for WPS. Presentation followed by questions and comments from Committee members. The presentation is attached to these minutes.</p> <p><u>Capital Plan</u> Dr. Curtis-Whipple and Interim Maintenance Director John Barker came to the table. Dr. Curtis-Whipple reviewed the FY2019 Capital Plan process. Mr. Barker reviewed the items with the highest priority for FY19. Presentation followed by questions and comments from Committee members. The presentation is attached to these minutes.</p> <p>On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the Capital Plan. So voted 9:31 p.m.</p>

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	<p><u>Policy Sub-Committee Report</u> Mrs. Curran read the December 4, 2017 Policy Sub-Committee Report into the record. Policy JLDD was discussed and will be continued until 1/4/18. The next Policy meeting will be on December 18th at 6:00 p.m. at the School Administration Building. On motion of Ms. Flemer, Seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the report of the Policy Sub-Committee from December 4, 2017. So voted, 9:33 p.m.</p> <p><u>ECAF – Security Cameras in Schools – First Reading</u> Mrs. Curran read this policy into the record and reviewed the changes. This policy will go forward to second reading on 12/21/17 and will be posted on the website.</p> <p><u>Space Request for Non-School Sponsored Trip in April 2019 to Germany</u> Dr. Curtis-Whipple shared the request for space use for a non-school sponsored trip next year. On motion of Ms. Flemer, Seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the request for space use for a non-school sponsored space request. So voted, 9:35 p.m.</p> <p><u>CTE Robotics Proposal and phasing out of Drafting Program</u> CTE Director Cathie Rebelo came to the table. She reviewed the process on how to bring the Robotics Program to WHS. She reviewed the steps she has taken and tours of other programs she has visited and reviewed. She then reviewed the application process and submission dates.</p> <p>Ms. Rebelo then reviewed the process of phasing out the drafting program. It has the lowest enrollment and one program must be phased out in order to bring in robotics. Presentation followed by questions and comments from Committee members.</p> <p>On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to support the CTE Robotics Proposal. So voted 9:59 p.m.</p> <p><u>Expense Transfer Notification</u> Interim Business Manager Mickey McGonagle shared that we needed to make an expense transfer. Expense transfer notification attached to these minutes</p>
<p>OLD BUSINESS</p> <p>* Items = action required</p>	<p><u>Wey Care Restructuring</u> On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the Wey Care restructuring. So voted, 10:06 p.m.</p> <p><u>Wey Care Job Descriptions: Wey Care Site Coordinator, Wey Care Group Leader, Wey care Assistant Leader</u> On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the Wey Care Site Coordinator, Wey Care Group Leader, Wey care Assistant Leader job descriptions. So voted, 10:07 p.m.</p> <p><u>MSBA Chapman Feasibility Study</u> Chair Belmarsh shared that there was a meeting with MSBA meeting to review the possibility of a request to study a 6-8 model in one school. Dr. Curtis-Whipple, Chair Belmarsh and Chief of Staff Ted Langill presented that to MSBA. It was a good presentation with good questions. They were very supportive. We are awaiting the final approval.</p>
<p>Announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Sub-Committee – December 18, 2017 – 6:00 p.m. Administration • Community Series: Off the Ladder of Addiction, Part 2 of 7 Part Series focusing on Inhalants, Salvia and Hallucinogens – December 14th – 6:30 p.m.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Weymouth Police Station • TWPC - No meeting in December, next meeting January, • SEPAC - January 2nd - Federation for Children: Basic Rights Workshop Adams library 7pm. • Mrs. Sheehan stated that she has extra handouts from the last SEPAC meeting workshop with the lawyer on “when you disagree with your child’s school”. Please contact her if you would like a copy
NEXT MEETING	Next Meeting of the WSC Meeting Thursday, December 21, 2017 – 7:00 PM – MJL Humanities Center, WHS
EXECUTIVE SESSION	At 10:12 p.m. Chair Belmarsh called for a motion. Ms. Flemer makes a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan, to review Executive Session Minutes to discuss potential litigation and grievance hearings required under collective bargaining agreements regarding two individuals from Unit A and one from Unit B. A roll call vote was taken; Dr. Sullivan: YES; Ms. Flemer, YES; Mrs. Sheehan, YES; Mrs. Nardone, YES; Mrs. Curran, Yes; Chair Belmarsh, YES.
ADJOURNMENT	Motion made by GS, seconded by DF to adjourn the meeting - Vote: all yes, 0 no, 0 abstain 10:25 PM
ATTACHMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warrant # 24-2018 \$1,121,731.39 • Regular Minutes: 11/16/17 • Executive Session Minutes: 11/16/17 • School Improvement Plan and Presentation, Primary Schools • Technology Update • Capital Plan • Policy Sub-Committee Report • ECAF – Security Cameras in Schools • Space Request – Germany • Expense Transfer Notification • Wey Care Job Descriptions • Student Advisory Handout

Submitted by:

Gail Sheehan, Secretary