

WOBURN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

November 28, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Woburn School Committee was held on November 28, 2017 at the Joyce Middle School Conference Room, 55 Locust Street, Woburn, MA, beginning at 7:00 P.M.

There was a moment of silence for Joan Dresser.

ROLL CALL – Ms. Chisholm-Present, Mr. Demers-Present, Mr. Kisiel-Present, Mr. Metters-Present, Mr. Mulrenan-Present, Dr. Wells-Present and Chairman Crowley-Present.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS – Minutes from May 22, 2017 and June 13, 2017 were approved.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - He noted that the Snowball Dance was coming up. The National Guard Stem Trailer came to WMHS. Winter sports tryouts are this week.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – Mr. Lipsett, 50 Arlington Road as an advocate for the group called Change.org. He spoke about his hopes for the Superintendent’s Search moving forward.

Ms. Megan Chapman, 13 Bartlett Drive, spoke with information on behalf of the Sepac. They would have liked parent, student and community participation on the search committee.

Mr. Mulrenan made a motion to put the document from Mr. Lipsett as part of the permanent record. The motion was seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON – Mr. Concannon was present.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT & STAFF

School Improvement Plan, Goodyear Elementary School

Principal Ken Kessarar gave a presentation on his School Improvement Plan.

School Improvement Plan, Shamrock Elementary School

Principal Wayne Clark gave a presentation on his School Improvement Plan.

A motion was made and accepted to accept both School Improvement Plans.

MASC Conference Reports

Mr. Demers spoke first about his workshops he attended while at the Conference. Mr. Metters asked for copies of any information from the seminars. Mr. Kisiel read the resolutions from the Annual Meeting.

School Committee Communication Process Discussion

Dr. Wells began the discussion. Ms. Crowley said she would create a Woburn Public School’s facebook page.

Dr. Wells asked that the District IT Department be involved. Ms. Crowley will get a legal opinion on posting on social media. Mr. Metters felt a subcommittee group should be created. Mr. Donovan will look into how the members could get gmail accounts. Ms. Crowley will put the Superintendent’s search on edline.

Policy Discussions

Mr. Kisiel met on October 28th and reviewed the policy revisions. A motion was made to take the policies off the table. There was a lot of discussion. There will be further discussions to come.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Subcommittee

List of Bills –

Mr. Metters said they met and reviewed the List of Bills. Mr. Kisiel made a motion to approve. It was seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Balance of Accounts –

Mr. Metters said they met and reviewed the Balance of Accounts. Mr. Kisiel made a motion to approve. It was seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Resource Utilization Subcommittee – Dr. Wells said they did not meet.

Personnel Subcommittee – Ms. Chisholm said they met on November 17, 2017. She reviewed her minutes.

Communication and Curriculum Subcommittee – Mr. Mulrenan said they did not meet.

Policy Subcommittee – Mr. Kisiel already reported above.

Student Services and Achievements – Mr. Demers said they met November 20th. He reviewed his minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE –

Ms. Crowley gave copies of the invitation for the Strategic Visioning session to all members. It will be on January 23rd.

UPCOMING EVENTS –

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –

Dr. Wells asked whether the performance plans of the Superintendent need to be reviewed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Hegarty

Recording Secretary