



HAMILTON-WENHAM

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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School Committee Executive Session Meeting Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Present:

Michelle Bailey, Chairperson
Michelle Horgan, Vice Chairperson
Dana Allara, Secretary
Anna Siedzik, Vice Secretary
Peter Wolczik
David Polito
Stacey Metternick

Also Present:

Mary Beth Banios, District Superintendent
Vincent Leone, Assistant Superintendent to Finance & Administration
Mahala Lettvin, Recording Secretary

Executive Session meeting is in session from 9:26 PM - 10:00 PM.

Discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining; HWEA

Ms. Bailey provides an update regarding collective bargaining with the HWEA: the only remaining issue to address is the scheduling of teachers' preparation time.

There is discussion surrounding the response received from teaching staff regarding their preference as well as the proposed schedule by Superintendent Banios. There is a discussion surrounding the pros and cons of each of the options: Wednesday designated as a prep time day, or shortening the school day by 15 minutes.

Discussion regarding communication strategy with the community; teaching staff leaves and potential obstacles in returning to school; district's problem solving to ensure adequate teaching staff; etc.

There is some discussion regarding perceived benefits of the scheduled time to allow teachers to speak. There is brief discussion surrounding the scheduling of future School Committee meetings.

I MOVE THAT THE HAMILTON - WENHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE ADJOURN THE 09/16/2020 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING AT 10:00 PM.

MOTION by Dana Allara; SECONDED by David Polito.

David Polito	YES;
Michelle Horgan	YES;
Anna Siedzik	YES;
Stacey Metternick	YES;
Dana Allara	YES;
Peter Wolczik	YES;
Michelle Bailey	YES.

MOTION PASSES unanimously through roll call vote of 7 (seven) members present.

Respectfully submitted January 4, 2021 by Mahala Lettvin, Recording Secretary.