



Weymouth

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Weymouth School Committee

Humanities Center & Zoom

October 5, 2023

MEETING MINUTES

(approved 10/19/23)

Members In Attendance: Tracey Nardone, Chair; Rebecca Sherlock-Shangraw, Vice Chair; Kathy Curran, Steven Buccigross; Danielle Graziano

Members Absent: Carrie Palazzo, Secretary; Mayor Hedlund

Also Present: Robert Wargo, Superintendent; Melanie Curtin, Assistant Superintendent

Absent: Brian Smith, Assistant Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

The chair informed that the meeting is being recorded and available on WETC.

Mrs. Nardone led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed for Dina Smith, sister-in-law of Assistant Superintendent Smith, who passed away on September 27, 2023.

Consent Agenda:

The Consent agenda included:

- Payment of Bills: Confirmation of Warrant: 14-2024 Date: 10/2/23 Amount:\$ 1,493,512.11
Payment of Bills: Confirmation of Warrant: 12-2024 Date: 9/18/23 Amount: \$821,512.33
- Regular Minutes: 9/14/23

Motion by Mrs. Curran to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Mr. Buccigross. Motion passed unanimously.

Report of the Superintendent:

The Superintendent shared that he met with the Master Facilities Planning team and visited with the CFCE Preschool Prep which meets at Adams in room 122/123.

Assistant Superintendent Curtin and Executive Director Bransfield met with Unit B members where roles and responsibilities were discussed.

The Superintendent Friday message will become a video message. Mr. Wargo will be using Instagram as well.

Superintendent Wargo presented MCAS data for the district (attached to these minutes). Standards, development, history, and data was reviewed. Tests were taken in March-June 2023. Meeting & Exceeding Expectation scores for ELA, Math, and Science/Technology were shared. The Superintendent reiterated his goal of always improving and that scores be at or above state level. Mr. Wargo evaluated historical data; pre pandemic-2019 , 2022, compared to 2023. Appreciation was expressed for tremendous work being done by the Weymouth educators. Score ranges were talked about in addition to Education Proficiency Plans.

Mr. Bransfield will be breaking down additional assessment data at a future meeting.

The committee remarked that only half of the student population is represented in the data presented and requested numbers for the students partially meeting or not meeting expectations. School by school numbers, information on detailed plans, and resources for students, and instructional practices was asked for. Opportunity for retests vs. EPP's was talked over. Data for students taking the Alt. MCAS was also requested. It was commented that nearly 100% of students took the MCAS.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Vote MASC delegate at MASC conference

Motion by Dr. Sherlock-Shangraw and seconded by Mr. Buccigross to nominate Mrs. Nardone as the delegate to attend the MASC Conference. Passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Update and status of Abigail Adams and Johnson - Assistant Superintendent Smith

Assistant Superintendent Curtin shared in preparation, furniture is being removed from Adams. There will be a list of disbursed/surplus items shared at the next budget sub meeting 10/11/23. Mr. Meehan will present a master facilities plan at a future meeting. The October meeting was canceled and future meetings are suspended while construction is underway. Assistant Superintendent Smith will have more information at the next meeting.

Public Comment

In accordance with Policy BEDH.

There was none.

Announcements:

- Budget Sub-Committee-October 11, 2023 - 6:00pm - Abigail Adams Library-Canceled
- SEPAC-October 17, 2023 - 7:00pm - ZOOM-National Alliance on Mental Illness will present
- No School on Monday/Tuesday, October 9/10, 2023

Next School Committee Meeting:

Regular Meeting: Thursday, October 19, 2023 - 7:00pm

The Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm on the motion of Dr. Sherlock-Shangraw, seconded by Mr. Buccigross. Motion passed unanimously.

Documents Attached to These Minutes:

- MCAS Data presentation

Respectfully Submitted,



Carrie Palazzo
Secretary