

**AMESBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**November 20, 2023**

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Present were Mayor Gove, Chair, Mel Webster, Abigail Jurist Levy, Greg Noyes, Maryann Welch, and Superintendent McAndrews.

A recording of this meeting can be viewed here:

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- I. Call to Order/Mission Statement/Pledge of Allegiance (0:14) – Mayor Gove called the meeting to order. Ms. Welch read the mission statement and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Comments by Visitors & Delegations (2:00)
  - Steve Stanganelli – 12 Amidon Ave – Mr. Stanganelli spoke about adopting a bus safety program as the city of Peabody had done, he also discussed an upcoming city council meeting with Whittier Tech.
- III. Communications & Reports
  - A. Educational Leadership (6:20)
    1. AMS Field Trip presentation – Mr. Denio presented to the committee on the planned AMS field trip to Boston including specifics on schedules, cost/fundraising, and criteria for attending. At the conclusion of the presentation Mr. Denio answered questions posed by the committee.
    2. School Improvement Plans – Superintendent McAndrews began the presentation by stating the plans were two-year plans and the principals would sharing their strategic objectives and how the plans tied to the strategic plan. The Superintendent would be presenting the Cashman plan in place of Principal Mascia. Principals Montanari, Viladenis, Ricci, and Maguire then took turns presenting their improvement plans followed by questions from the committee members.
- IV. New Business (1:47:05)
  1. AMS Field Trip Approval – The committee briefly discussed the company and itinerary for the trip.  
*Dr. Jurist Levy moved to suspend policy BDD, second by Ms. Welch. Approved unanimously.*  
*Mr. Webster moved to approve the AMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boston field trip, second by Dr. Jurist Levy. Approved unanimously.*
  2. Whittier Tech Building Project Discussion – The committee discussed the ongoing Whittier Tech building project and protentional upcoming vote. Mayor Gove provided an overview of the project to the committee and the public from a recent meeting she had attended. The committee raised the possibility of the committee as a whole making a recommendation to the public concerning the project.

*Mr. Webster moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Noyes. Approved unanimously.*