

Sherborn School Committee
Meeting of September 16, 2025

Members Present: Becca Hammond
Megha Kadiyala
Bill Alfano
Nathaniel Jackson
Kate Manzolini (remote)
Kemberlie Grant, METCO member (remote)

Also Present: Beth McCoy, Superintendent
Denny Conklin, Assistant Superintendent

1) Call to Order

Becca Hammond called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm in the DSMS Library.

2) Community Comments - none

3) Superintendent Comments - Beth McCoy updated recent and upcoming meeting/events in the District including the opening of school and Open House.

4) Financial Reports

- Warrant Report
- FY25 Financial Results
 - Salaries: the year ended with a \$182,509 (2.9%) positive variance resulting primarily from net savings from post FY25 budget staffing changes and further reductions in staffing from the move of the Connections Program to Chickering. The savings were offset by post FY25 budget staffing additions including .2 FTE EL Educator, a .2 FTE Pre-School Director, and two SPED EAs.
 - Expenditures: overall positive variance of \$21,002 primarily related to savings in special education services due to the shift of the Connections program offset by higher utility costs and additional costs approved for the HVAC project.
 - Out-of-District: total costs were \$40,307 over-budget.
- Update on Capital Projects - the Select Board approved the use of remaining FY25 school funds to explore an option to provide an improvement to the air handling system in the Auditorium through a change order to install an ERV system. This system provides for fresh air exchange and heating capabilities but no air cooling and cost approximately \$155,000. The Library and Cafeteria units are operational and the Auditorium unit is scheduled for delivery in mid-October.
- Special Revenue/Revolving Funds: balances as of 6/30/25 provided.

5) Discussion Items

6) Action Items

- Appoint METCO Liaison to School Committee

Megha Kadiyala made a motion to appoint Kemberlie Grant as the METCO Liaison to the Sherborn School Committee. Bill Alfano seconded.

25-11 VOTE: 5 - 0 via roll call

7) Consent Items

Approved 10.14.25

- Pine Hill Improvement Plan (2nd read)
- Approval of Minutes: June 3, 2025
- Approval of Joint Minutes: June 10, 2025
- Gifts: Sawin Grant of \$15,000 for Outdoor Learning Hub Sculptures, Music Program (barred instruments), and Makerspace Expansion; \$15,280.81 from CSA for new outdoor learning space (\$9,250) and teacher grants (\$6,030.81).

*Megha Kadiyala made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Bill Alfano seconded.
25-12 VOTE: 5 - 0 via roll call*

8) Informational Items

- Subcommittee Assignments
- Dover Sherborn Regional Committee minutes of March 4 & May 6, 2025
- Dover School Committee Minutes of May 13, 2025

9) Items for October 21, 2025

10) Adjournment at 5:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Davis