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SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2026
1:00 PM
REMOTE MEETING WITH ZOOM ACCESS

Present via Zoom – School Committee: Scott Jamison, Lynette Kelleher, James Steele, Brian Waterson, Sharon Whitt
Present via Zoom – School Administration: Brad Crozier, Interim Superintendent; Mary O'Regan, Assistant to the Superintendent

Pursuant to Governor Healey's approved legislation, H. 62, a bill extending authorizations for all local boards, commissions, and committees to hold public meetings remotely or in a hybrid format Extended Timeline, amending Section 30A of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, most recently amended by Section 40 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, and replacing the current expiration date of "March 31, 2025" with "June 30, 2027." Therefore, this meeting of the Carlisle School Committee is being conducted via remote participation in order to ensure public access to the deliberations of the Carlisle School Committee. Members of the public can access the meeting via live stream at:
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Time: Aug 26, 2026 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
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I. **Call to Order -** Mr. Jamison called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.
Roll Call: Jamison, aye; Kelleher, aye; Steele, aye; Waterson, aye; Whitt, aye

II. **Information/Discussion Items**
   A. Fern's Feasibility Study Presentation - Benjamin Pirri provided an overview of the current status of the Ferns property and the issues encountered with the existing septic system. The existing system cannot be replaced or expanded, and efforts are underway to identify a viable solution for the property. One potential option under consideration is connecting the property to the town wastewater treatment facility. The Select Board has approved moving forward with a feasibility study to evaluate this option. The property owners expressed an interest in keeping the School Committee informed throughout the process and requested that a liaison from the School Committee be involved. Mr. Jamison agreed to serve as the School Committee liaison.
   B. District Transportation RFP - The current district transportation contract is scheduled to expire in June 2027. With Town Meeting approval, the district would be authorized to solicit proposals for a new five-year transportation contract. The Committee discussed the possibility of researching the estimated costs associated with purchasing and maintaining a district-owned fleet of school buses. However, even if the district ultimately pursued this option, implementation would require additional time, and a transportation contract would still be necessary for several years. School Committee members also inquired whether approval of the District Transportation RFP had been brought before Town Meeting in previous years. Mr. Crozier indicated that he would research what had been done in prior years.

C. Planning and Goal Setting for the 2026-2027 School Year - The Committee reviewed the draft goals and finalized the language for each goal. A vote on the finalized goals is scheduled to take place at the September meeting. Once approved, the goals will be posted on the district website. The Committee also reviewed the goal-tracking spreadsheet and identified Committee members to serve as the point of contact for each goal.

III. Action Items

A. Vote to waive usual practice and vote at this meeting to request the addition of a warrant article for November 2026 Carlisle Special Town Meeting to approve Carlisle School Committee seeking a five-year contract for Regular Education School Transportation services starting in the 2027-2028 school year.
A motion to waive usual practice and vote at this meeting to request the addition of a warrant article for November 2026 Carlisle Special Town Meeting to approve Carlisle School Committee seeking a five-year contract for Regular Education School Transportation services starting in the 2027-2028 school year was made by Ms. Kelleher and seconded by Mr. Waterson. The motion passed unanimously.
Roll Call Vote: Jamison, aye; Kelleher, aye; Steele, aye; Waterson, aye; Whitt, aye

B. Vote to request the addition of the following warrant article for November 2026 Carlisle Special Town Meeting: In accordance with M.G.L. Ch.30b, sec. 12(b), the Carlisle School Committee seeks the approval of the Town Meeting to seek a five-year contract for Regular Education School Transportation services starting in the 2027-2028 school year.
A motion to approve the request of the addition of the following warrant article for November 2026 Carlisle Special Town Meeting: In accordance with M.G.L. Ch.30b, sec. 12(b), the Carlisle School Committee seeks the approval of the Town Meeting to seek a five-year contract for Regular Education School Transportation services starting in the 2027-2028 school year was made by Mr. Steele and seconded by Mr. Waterson. The motion passed unanimously.
Roll Call Vote: Jamison, aye; Kelleher, aye; Steele, aye; Waterson, aye; Whitt, aye

IV. Public Comment - Cynthia Sorn, 433 Rutland Avenue, Carlisle, MA

V. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Waterson and seconded by Ms. Kelleher. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 1:45 PM.
Roll Call Vote: Jamison, aye; Kelleher, aye; Steele, aye; Waterson, aye; Whitt, aye

Respectfully Submitted
Mary O'Regan
Assistant to the Superintendent
August 26, 2026

List of Documents Viewed and/or Reviewed:
District Transportation RFP Memo
Draft 2026-2027 School Committee Goals
Draft 2026-2027 School Committee Goal Tracker