

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Special Meeting #305 Tuesday, May 6, 2014

Media Center
Wachusett Regional High School
1401 Main Street, Holden

Committee Members Present:

Lance Harris, Chair	James Mason
Robert Imber, Vice-chair	Robert McCarthy
Scott Brown	Kenneth Mills
Lisa Call	Tiffany Ralli
Thomas Curran	Robert Remillard
Matthew Ehrenworth	Barbara Renzoni
Stacey Jackson	Erik Scheinfeldt
Julianne Kelley	Christina Smith
Deidre Kosky	Margaret Watson
Sarah LaMountain	Charles Witkes
Matthew Lindberg	

Committee Members Absent:

William Clute

Committee Members Participating Remotely:

None

Administration Present:

Darryll McCall, Superintendent of Schools
Jeffrey Carlson, Director of Human Resources
Joseph Scanlon, Director of Business and Finance
Rebecca Petersen, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

Student Representatives Present:

None

I. Call to Order

Chair Harris called the special meeting to order at 9:03 PM.

II. Motion: "No confidence" in the current Superintendent of the Wachusett Regional School District, Dr. Darryll McCall.

Vice-chair Imber voiced his objection to consideration of a vote of "no confidence." Chair Harris explained a motion of "no confidence" is in order, per legal counsel and the School Committee Chair.

Motion: To overturn the ruling of the Chair regarding the motion of “no confidence.”

(R. Imber)

(J. Kelley)

Chair Harris further explained he had consulted with Attorney Leonard Kesten asking if the motion was a proper motion, which Attorney Kesten confirmed it was. Vice-chair Imber re-stated he was objecting to the consideration of the question. Discussion ensued. Chair Harris explained that to overturn the Chair’s ruling would require a two-thirds vote in favor.

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Robert Imber
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Matthew Lindberg
Tiffany Ralli
Erik Scheinfeldt
Christina Smith

Opposed:

Scott Brown
Lisa Call
Thomas Curran
Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain
James Mason
Robert McCarthy
Robert Remillard
Barbara Renzoni
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Abstained:

Lance Harris
Matthew Ehrenworth
Kenneth Mills

The motion failed 7-11-3.

Motion: “No confidence” in the current Superintendent of the Wachusett Regional School District, Dr. Darryll McCall.

(M. Watson)

(T. Curran)

Member Watson read a prepared statement (attachment 1).

Chair Harris explained all members would be given the opportunity to speak and he would call upon members in random order, using a randomized list.

Member Kosky – no questions/comments
Member Ehrenworth – no questions/comments
Member Mason
Member Curran
Member McCarthy
Member Brown
Member Mills
Member Remillard
Member Call
Member Kelley – no questions/comments
Member Ralli
Member Witkes
Member Lindberg
Member Jackson
Vice-chair Imber
Member Renzoni
Member Scheinfeldt
Member LaMountain – no questions/comments
Member Smith

Chair Harris asked those members who did not speak if they would like an opportunity to comment.

Member Ehrenworth
Member Kosky
Chair Harris

Chair Harris offered all members a second opportunity to ask questions/make comments.

9:50 PM Member Smith left the table.

Member Remillard

9:53 PM Member Smith returned to the table.

Member Call

9:55 PM Member Smith left the table.

9:56 PM Member Smith returned to the table.

Motion: To extend the meeting for thirty minutes, until 10:30 PM.

(M. Lindberg)

(M. Ehrenworth)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Lance Harris
Scott Brown
Lisa Call
Thomas Curran
Matthew Ehrenworth
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain
Matthew Lindberg
James Mason
Robert McCarthy
Tiffany Ralli
Robert Remillard
Barbara Renzoni
Christina Smith
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Opposed:

None

Present:

Robert Imber
Kenneth Mills
Erik Scheinfeldt

The motion passed 18-0-3.

Chair Harris continued to give members the opportunity to speak.

Member Mills

Motion: To postpone indefinitely the motion on the table.

(K. Mills)
(E. Scheinfeldt)

Member Mills spoke to the motion.

Member Scheinfeldt spoke to the motion.

Chair Harris explained that the motion to postpone indefinitely equals the motion being voted down.

Member Curran
Member Call
Member Watson
Vice-chair Imber

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Robert Imber
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Matthew Lindberg
Kenneth Mills
Tiffany Ralli
Barbara Renzoni
Erik Scheinfeldt

Opposed:

Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Ehrenworth
Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain
James Mason
Robert McCarthy
Robert Remillard
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Abstained:

Lance Harris
Lisa Call
Christina Smith

The motion failed 8-10-3.

Chair Harris opened the floor for more discussion.

Member Curran
Member Mason
Member Lindberg
Member Smith
Member Ehrenworth
Member Watson
Member Ehrenworth
Member Witkes
Member Call
Member Kosky
Member Scheinfeldt

Member Jackson
Member Brown
Member Mason
Member Watson

Motion: To call the question.

(C. Witkes)
(S. Brown)

Chair Harris explained that a two-thirds vote in favor is needed to pass the motion on the floor.

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Lance Harris
Robert Imber
Scott Brown
Lisa Call
Thomas Curran
Matthew Ehrenworth
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain
Matthew Lindberg
James Mason
Robert McCarthy
Kenneth Mills
Tiffany Ralli
Robert Remillard
Barbara Renzoni
Erik Scheinfeldt
Christina Smith
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Opposed:

None

The motion passed unanimously.

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Scott Brown
Lisa Call
Thomas Curran
James Mason
Robert McCarthy

Robert Remillard
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Opposed:

Lance Harris
Robert Imber
Matthew Ehrenworth
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Matthew Lindberg
Kenneth Mills
Tiffany Ralli
Barbara Renzoni
Christina Smith

Abstained:

Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain

Present:

Erik Scheinfeldt

The motion failed 8-10-2(abstained)-1(present).

III. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn special meeting #305.

(E. Scheinfeldt)
(K. Mills)

Vote:

In favor:

Lance Harris
Robert Imber
Scott Brown
Lisa Call
Thomas Curran
Matthew Ehrenworth
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain
Matthew Lindberg
James Mason
Robert McCarthy
Kenneth Mills
Tiffany Ralli

Robert Remillard
Barbara Renzoni
Erik Scheinfeldt
Christina Smith
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Opposed:
None

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Darryll McCall, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

DM:rlp