

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Regular Meeting #1287 Monday, July 11, 2016
7:00 PM

Media Center
Wachusett Regional High School
1401 Main Street, Holden

Wachusett Regional School District Committee

Kenneth Mills, Chair	Michael Rivers
Scott Brown	Asima Silva
Thomas Curran	Christina Smith
Matthew Lavoie	Megan Weeks
Linda Long-Bellil	Charles Witkes
Lauren Maldonado	Adam Young (7:04 PM)
Robert McCarthy	

Committee Members Absent:

Robert Imber, Vice-chair	Sarah LaMountain
Michael Dennis	Jon Edward Novak
Harriet Fradellos	Steve Porter
Susan Hitchcock	Barbara Renzoni
Stacey Jackson	

Committee Members Participating Remotely:

None

Administration Present:

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

Student Representatives Present:

Alyssa Stark	Chloe Tolderlund
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Others present, who desired to be recorded as present (see attached Attendance Sheet – attachment 1).

Chair Mills called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Chair Mills announced the meeting was being recorded by HCTV. Members were provided with a copy of the revised agenda (attachment 2).

I. Public Hearing

No members of the public wished to address the Committee.

II. Chair's Opening Remarks

Chair Mills welcomed Student Representative Alyssa Stark to the table and thanked both students for their willingness to serve as Student Representatives.

7:04 PM member Young joined the meeting.

III. Student Representatives' Reports (Alyssa Stark, Chloe Tolderlund)

No report was made.

IV. Superintendent's Report

A. Discussion of Report

Superintendent McCall reported on a meeting he had with Congressman Jim McGovern. The meeting was held on July 11, 2016, and Superintendent McCall was invited to meet with Congressman McGovern by Rutland Town Administrator Nartowicz. Member Lavoie and Director Scanlon were also at the meeting. Member Lavoie spoke briefly about the meeting.

Superintendent McCall reported he will be meeting with building principals on July 19, 2016. The purpose of this day-long meeting is to gather input from school administrators about the strategic plan that is being developed.

B. Recommendations Requiring Action by the School Committee

Chair Mills explained that School Committee action to approve budget transfers must be taken by July 15th.

Motion: To authorize the Director of Business and Finance to transfer \$238,819.00 to the Instructional Supplies appropriation from the Benefits and Insurance appropriation (\$119,409.50) and the Salaries & Stipends appropriation (\$119,409.50).

(R. McCarthy)

(M. Weeks)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills

Scott Brown

Thomas Curran

Matthew Lavoie

Linda Long-Bellil

Lauren Maldonado

Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:
None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To authorize the Director of Business and Finance to transfer \$156,557.00 to the SPED Tuition appropriation from the Operations & Maintenance appropriation.

(R. McCarthy)
(T. Curran)

Vote:

In favor:
Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:
None

Abstained:
Linda Long-Bellil

The motion passed 12-0-1.

Motion: To authorize the Director of Business and Finance to transfer \$99,898.00 to the Other Operating Costs appropriation from the Pupil Services appropriation.

(R. McCarthy)
(M. Weeks)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To chargeback employee related expenses for Medicare, Unemployment, Workers Compensation, Life Insurance and Health Insurance to the 140 Title II Teacher Quality grant in the total amount of \$862.00, and to credit the applicable General Fund budgetary expense accounts in the total amount of (\$862.00).

(R. McCarthy)

(T. Curran)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To chargeback employee related expenses for Medicare, Unemployment, Workers Compensation, Life Insurance and Health Insurance to the 262 Early Childhood Grant in the total amount of \$16,942.70, and to credit the applicable General Fund budgetary expense accounts in the total amount of (\$16,942.70).

(R. McCarthy)

(M. Weeks)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To chargeback employee related expenses for Medicare, Unemployment, Workers Compensation, Life Insurance and Health Insurance to the 305 Title I grant in the total amount of \$17,350.17, and to credit the applicable General Fund budgetary expense accounts in the total amount of (\$17,350.17).

(R. McCarthy)

(M. Weeks)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy

Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To chargeback employee related expenses for Medicare, Unemployment, Workers Compensation, Life Insurance and Health Insurance to the Kindergarten Revolving Funds by location in the total amount of \$141,520.98, and to credit the applicable General Fund budgetary expense accounts in the total amount of (\$141,520.98).

(R. McCarthy)

(T. Curran)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To chargeback employee related expenses for Medicare, Unemployment, Workers Compensation, Life Insurance and Health Insurance to the Cafeteria revolving funds by location by up to the total amount of \$190,567.21 and to credit the applicable General Fund budgetary expense accounts by up to the total amount of (\$190,567.21).

(R. McCarthy)
(T. Curran)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion: To chargeback employee related expenses for Medicare, Unemployment, Workers Compensation, Life Insurance and Health Insurance to the ECC Tuition revolving fund in the total amount of \$17,350.17, and to credit the applicable General Fund budgetary expense accounts in the total amount of (\$17,350.17).

(R. McCarthy)
(M. Weeks)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

Members were given the opportunity to ask questions about the proposed contract extension with Village Transportation. No questions were asked.

Motion: To revise and extend the contract to Village Transportation of Sterling, Massachusetts for In-District SPED Van Transportation Services to the Wachusett Regional School District from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2021 at a rate of \$193.32 per day for Mini-Vans, \$235.00 per day for 8-Passenger Vans, \$221.40 per day for Wheelchair Vans, and \$81.00 per hour per Monitor.

(R. McCarthy)

(T. Curran)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills

Scott Brown

Thomas Curran

Matthew Lavoie

Linda Long-Bellil

Lauren Maldonado

Robert McCarthy

Michael Rivers

Asima Silva

Christina Smith

Megan Weeks

Charles Witkes

Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

V. Unfinished Business

1. Presentation by Administrator of Special Education

Chair Mills explained this presentation will be scheduled sometime during the academic year.

VI. Secretary's Report

A. Approval of 1286th Regular Meeting Minutes of the Wachusett Regional School District Committee held on June 27, 2016

Motion: To approve minutes of the regular meeting of the WRSDC held on June 27, 2016.

(C. Witkes)

(S. Brown)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

Abstained:

Michael Rivers

The minutes were approved 12-0-1.

B. Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Wachusett Regional School District Committee held on June 27, 2016

Motion: To approve minutes of the executive session of the WRSDC held on June 27, 2016, not to be released.

(T. Curran)

(L. Long-Bellil)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy

Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:
None

Abstained:
Michael Rivers

The minutes were approved 12-0-1.

VII. Treasurer's Report/Financial Statements

Chair Mills reminded the Committee that if there were questions regarding the Director of Business and Finance's report that Members should contact the Superintendent; if there were questions regarding the Treasurer's Report, Members should contact the Business/Finance Subcommittee Chair.

VIII. Committee Reports

A. Management Subcommittee (K. Mills, Chair, R. Imber, Vice-chair, S. Brown, B. Renzoni)

Chair Mills reported a meeting of this subcommittee scheduled for July 7, 2016 was canceled due to lack of quorum. The subcommittee is scheduled to meet next on August 4, 2016, when the subcommittee will review the strategic plan and District goals.

B. Education Subcommittee (R. Imber, Chair, C. Smith, Vice-chair, S. LaMountain, M. Lavoie, L. Maldonado, S. Porter, M. Rivers, A. Silva, M. Weeks)

In Chair Imber's absence, Vice-chair Smith reported the Education Subcommittee had met just before this School Committee meeting, and the subcommittee has concluded review and amending of Policy 6438, the Anti-Bullying Policy, which will be brought before the full School Committee in August for a first reading.

C. Business/Finance Subcommittee (B. Renzoni, Chair, R. McCarthy, Vice-chair, M. Dennis, L. Long-Bellil, E. Novak, C. Witkes, A Young)

In Subcommittee Chair Renzoni's absence, Vice-chair McCarthy reported this subcommittee has not met since the last School Committee meeting.

D. Legal Affairs Subcommittee (S. Brown, Chair, T. Curran, H. Fradellos, S. Hitchcock, S. Jackson)

Subcommittee Chair Brown reported the first meeting of this subcommittee is scheduled for July 13, 2016.

E. Audit Advisory Board (B. Renzoni, Chair, C. Witkes, Vice-chair)

Audit Advisory Board has not met since the last School Committee meeting.

F. Ad-Hoc Subcommittees

1. Ad Hoc Subcommittee to Review the School Calendar

Chair Mills is hopeful the membership of this ad hoc subcommittee will be finalized in the near future.

G. Building Committees

1. Mountview Building Committee

Member McCarthy reported the Building Committee will meet on July 12, 2016. Member Curran asked the status of fields at Mountview, and Member Smith asked when an open house for the new school might be scheduled. Superintendent McCall reported an open house will probably be planned for September.

H. School Council Reports:

Central Tree Middle School (E. Novak), Chocksett Middle School, Davis Hill Elementary School (A. Silva), Dawson Elementary School (A. Young), Glenwood Elementary School (M. Lavoie), Houghton Elementary School (M. Rivers), Mayo Elementary School (T. Curran), Mountview Middle School (S. Brown), Naquag Elementary School (C. Witkes), Paxton Center School (H. Fradellos), Thomas Prince School (M. Weeks), Wachusett Regional High School (S. LaMountain), Special Education Parent Advisory Council (S. Jackson), Early Childhood Center (L. Maldonado)

Chair Mills mentioned the need for a liaison to serve on the Chocksett Middle School SIMCO.

IX. Public Hearing

No members of the public wished to address the School Committee.

X. New Business

There was no new business brought before the School Committee.

XI. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn.

(R. McCarthy)
(C. Smith)

Vote:

In favor:

Kenneth Mills
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Matthew Lavoie
Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Robert McCarthy
Michael Rivers
Asima Silva
Christina Smith
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes
Adam Young

Opposed:

None

The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Darryll McCall, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

DM:rlp