

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Special Meeting #312 Monday, December 14, 2015
6:00 PM

Media Center
Wachusett Regional High School
1401 Main Street, Holden

Committee Members Present:

Lance Harris, Chair	Linda Long-Bellil
Robert Imber, Vice-chair	Lauren Maldonado
Thomas Curran (6:25 PM)	Kenneth Mills
Michael Dennis	Jon Edward Novak (6:30 PM)
Matthew Ehrenworth	Barbara Renzoni (6:14 PM)
Harriet Fradellos	Asima Silva
Susan Hitchcock	Megan Weeks
Sarah LaMountain	Charles Witkes (6:48 PM)

Committee Members Absent:

Scott Brown	Steve Porter
Stacey Jackson	Christina Smith
Robert McCarthy	Adam Young

Committee Members Participating Remotely:

None

Administration Present:

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

Student Representatives Present:

No Student Representatives were present.

I. Call to Order

Chair Harris called the special meeting of the School Committee to order at 6:12 PM.

II. Presentation by MARS Consulting Group - *Development of the District Strategic Plan*

Chair Harris turned the meeting over to Superintendent McCall, who then introduced Malcolm Reid of the MARS Consulting Group. Mr. Reid approached the podium, along with his colleagues Stephen Donovan and Mary Jo Nawrocki.

6:14 PM Member Renzoni joined the meeting.

Mr. Reid, Mr. Donovan, and Ms. Nawrocki each spoke about their backgrounds and their plans for assisting the District develop a strategic plan. Members were provided with a copy of a PowerPoint as well as a Strategic Planning Worksheet SWOT (Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunities/Threats) Analysis (attachments 1 & 2). Members were asked to share what they feel are the District's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. Members' responses were listed and then posted around the room.

6:25 PM Member Curran joined the meeting.

6:30 PM Member Novak joined the meeting.

6:35 PM Member Silva left the meeting.

6:48 PM Member Witkes joined the meeting.

At the conclusion of members sharing their thoughts on the District's SWOT, members were given eight dot stickers and were asked to identify their two top selections in each of the four categories by posting their stickers on the chart paper posted around the Media Center. At the conclusion of this exercise, Mr. Reid quickly reviewed the Committee's "top" choices, explaining that he and his colleagues will use this information to put together a listing of priorities to help drive the development of the strategic plan.

Chair Harris and Superintendent McCall thanked Mr. Reid, Mr. Donovan, and Ms. Nawrocki for attending the meeting and thanked them for working with the School Committee and the District in the development of a long-term plan.

III. Motion: To adjourn.

(K. Mills)
(M. Ehrenworth)

Vote:

In favor:

Lance Harris
Robert Imber
Thomas Curran
Michael Dennis
Matthew Ehrenworth
Harriet Fradellos
Susan Hitchcock
Sarah LaMountain

Linda Long-Bellil
Lauren Maldonado
Kenneth Mills
Jon Edward Novak
Barbara Renzoni
Megan Weeks
Charles Witkes

Opposed:
None

The special meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Darryll McCall, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

DM:rlp