

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

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Minutes

Special Meeting #230 Monday, February 11, 2002

6:30 PM

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Committee Members Present:

John Rokicki, Chairman	Alice Livdahl
Donald Benson	David Lowenthal
Carol Esperti	Peter MacDonald
Kimberly Ferguson	Kelly Maxwell
Michael Gennert	Natalie Mello
Jeffrey Gibbs (6:55 PM)	John Nunnari (6:55 PM)
Jane James	Elizabeth Pape
Sarah Jordan	Julie Scott
Duncan Leith	Kathleen Singh

Committee Members Absent:

Sherry Horeanopoulos, Vice-chairman

Administration Present:

Alfred D. Tutela, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools
Paul K. Soojian, Director of Operations
Susan Sullivan, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Others present:

Linda Lehans, *The Landmark*
Stacey M. Grossi, *Worcester Telegram & Gazette*
David White, Holden Selectboard
Joseph Sullivan, Holden Selectboard
Maureen Floryan, Holden
Larry Floryan, Holden
David Gibbs, Sterling
Melinda Johnson, Paxton
Mark James, Holden

I. Call to Order

Chairman John Rokicki called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

II. Discussion of Status and Particulars of the IFP Process Presently Undertaken by the Superintendent

The Superintendent explained the status and particulars for the IFP process, with a recommendation for appropriation on the agenda of the regular meeting. The Superintendent also reported that a letter of inquiry was sent to the Inspector General and is waiting for written response. The Inspector General called Director of Administrative Services Brian O'Connell and informed him that what the Committee wants for a facilitator falls under the Designer Selection Process. The Superintendent is recommending \$24,000 appropriation request from E & D for these services. The Superintendent indicated that he was looking for advice from the Committee as to which firm to contract with.

The Superintendent distributed copies of the proposals from Tappe Associates and Strekalovsky & Hoit, Inc. and the memorandum from Director of Administrative Services Brian O'Connell to the Superintendent (attachments 1, 2, and 3).

Motion: To authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract with Strekalovsky & Hoit, Inc. for the purpose of hiring the firm to help the School Committee address a long-term solution for the high school, barring a citation from the Inspector General.

(S. Jordan)

(C. Esperti)

Vote:

In favor:

Carol Esperti
Kimberly Ferguson
Michael Gennert
Sarah Jordan
Duncan Leith
Alice Livdahl
David Lowenthal
Peter MacDonald
Kelly Maxwell
Natalie Mello

Elizabeth Pape
Julie Scott
Kathleen Singh

Opposed:
Donald Benson
Jane James

Abstained:
John Rokicki
Jeffrey Gibbs
John Nunnari

(Motion passed 13-2-3)

III. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn

(S. Jordan)
(P. MacDonald)

Vote:

In favor:

John Rokicki
Donald Benson
Carol Esperti
Kimberly Ferguson
Michael Gennert
Jeffrey Gibbs
Jane James
Sarah Jordan
Duncan Leith
Alice Livdahl
David Lowenthal
Peter MacDonald
Kelly Maxwell
Natalie Mello
John Nunnari
Elizabeth Pape
Julie Scott
Kathleen Singh

Opposed:
None

(Motion passed unanimously)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred D. Tutela, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools

ADT:ss

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