

WESTWOOD SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Westwood, Massachusetts

MEETING MINUTES
July 13, 2023

Attendance and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 by Chair Tony Mullin. Also present were: Maya Khuri Plotkin, Amanda Phillips, Dorothy Parmelee; and JoAnna French. Superintendent Piwowar and Assistant Superintendent Allison Borchers were present on behalf of the District.

Harley Pease recorded the minutes.

Training

Dorothy Presser, Field Director, MASC, facilitated training for the Westwood School Committee.

Superintendent's Report

Enrollment Update

Superintendent Piwowar shared the enrollment projections for the 2023-2024 school year.

Strategy for District Improvement

Superintendent Piwowar shared with the Committee that his entry plan report will hopefully be complete in November.

Assistant Superintendent Borchers announced that the world language review will start in the 2023-2024 school year.

Assistant Superintendent noted that mental health and IEP fidelity are two topics that are included in the Strategy for District Improvement. Ms. Borchers noted that the wellness review would be added in, too.

School Committee Chair Update/Liaison Reports

Chair Mullin announced the school committee liaison assignments for the 2023-2024 school year.

Chair Mullin announced that school committee roundtable events will be soon announced to the community.

Maya Plotkin provided an update from the Capital Projects Subcommittee. Maya Plotkin reported that three priorities were identified: the High School roof, Middle School, and Sheehan Elementary.

Action Items

MOTION made by Maya Plotkin to accept a gift from the Thurston Middle School PTO. Motion seconded by Amanda Phillips.

Roll-call vote:

Anthony Mullin: **Yes**
Amanda Phillips: **Yes**
Maya Plotkin: **Yes**
Dorothy Parmelee: **Yes**
JoAnna French: **Yes**

Result: 5-0-0 (Approved)

MOTION made by Amanda Phillips to appoint Tim Piwowar and Lemma Jn-baptiste to the School Building Committee. Motion seconded by Maya Plotkin.

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Roll-call vote:

Anthony Mullin: Yes
Amanda Phillips: Yes
Maya Plotkin: Yes
Dorothy Parmelee: Yes
JoAnna French: Yes

Result: 5-0-0 (Approved)

MOTION made by JoAnna French to adopt the Policy Manual. Motion seconded by Dori Parmelee.

Roll-call vote:

Anthony Mullin: Yes
Amanda Phillips: Yes
Maya Plotkin: Yes
Dorothy Parmelee: Yes
JoAnna French: Yes

Result: 5-0-0 (Approved)

MOTION made by Dori Parmelee to adopt the Student Activities Procedures Manual. Motion seconded by JoAnna French.

Roll-call vote:

Anthony Mullin: Yes
Amanda Phillips: Yes
Maya Plotkin: Yes
Dorothy Parmelee: Yes
JoAnna French: Yes

Result: 5-0-0 (Approved)

Amanda Phillips left the meeting at 8:35pm.

New Business

Maya Plotkin asked the Committee to revisit the registration process for Extended Day in hopes to make it easier for families.

Adjournment

MOTION made by Maya Plotkin to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Dori Parmelee.

Roll-call vote:

Anthony Mullin: Yes
Amanda Phillips: Yes
Maya Plotkin: Yes
Dorothy Parmelee: Yes
JoAnna French: Yes

Result: 5-0-0 (Approved)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm.