

WESTWOOD SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
Westwood, Massachusetts

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**August 2, 2021**

**Attendance and Call to Order**

The meeting, held remotely<sup>1</sup>, was called to order at 8:30am by Chair Maya Plotkin. Also present were: Vice Chair Charles Donahue, Clerk Anthony Mullin, Carol Lewis, and Amanda Phillips. Superintendent Emily Parks was present on behalf of the district. John Cianciarulo recorded the minutes.

Maya Plotkin recognized the live stream of the meeting, which was provided for real-time, public access to the activities of the School Committee. Members of the public were able to view a live stream of the meeting available through Westwood Media Center and also online at [www.westwood.k12.ma.us/live](http://www.westwood.k12.ma.us/live).

Chair Maya Plotkin stated that this morning's meeting is a special meeting to update the membership of the School Building Committee. August's regular School Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 17 and will include public participation.

**Action Item**

*Update to Membership of the School Building Committee*

Chair Maya Plotkin stated that Hanlon School Principal Sarah Cronin is on leave. The Massachusetts School Building Authority requires that the school principal serve on the School Building Committee. Additionally, Mrs. Plotkin believes that a larger educational presence is needed on the Committee and is recommending that Deerfield School Principal Josh Baumer be appointed as well.

**MOTION** made by Carol Lewis to replace Sarah Cronin with Matt Kuklantz as the Hanlon School Principal representative to the School Building Committee. Motion seconded by Amanda Phillips.

Roll-call vote:

Maya Plotkin: **Yes**  
Charles Donahue: **Yes**  
Anthony Mullin: **Yes**  
Carol Lewis: **Yes**  
Amanda Phillips: **Yes**

**Result: 5-0-0 – Approved**

**MOTION** made by Carol Lewis to add Josh Baumer as a member of the School Building Committee. Motion seconded by Charles Donahue.

Roll-call vote:

Maya Plotkin: **Yes**  
Charles Donahue: **Yes**  
Anthony Mullin: **Yes**  
Carol Lewis: **Yes**  
Amanda Phillips: **Yes**

**Result: 5-0-0 – Approved**

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<sup>1</sup> Remote meeting held in accordance with an Act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the State of Emergency.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION** made by Carol Lewis to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Amanda Phillips.

Roll-call vote:

Carol Lewis: **Yes**  
Maya Plotkin: **Yes**  
Charles Donahue: **Yes**  
Anthony Mullin: **Yes**  
Amanda Phillips: **Yes**

**Result: 5-0-0 – Approved**

The meeting adjourned at 8:35am.

**Documents/Exhibits Used at Meeting**

- None