

Advisory Committee
April 7, 2014
Faculty Dining Room, Wellesley High School

Marjorie Freiman called the meeting of the Wellesley Advisory Committee to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present included Robert Capozzi, Mary Crown, Thomas Engels, Becky Epstein, Tom Frisardi, Ann Marie Gross, John Hartnett, John Hussey, Lucy Kapples, Andy Patten, Ann Rappaport, Deb Robi, Mason Smith and Scott Tarbox.

Citizen Speak

No one wished to speak.

Preparation for Annual Town Meeting, Discussion and Votes on Warrant Articles

Advisory members discussed the three key components of the school budget (level service, strategic plan initiatives and mandated requirements) in comparison with similar communities. Since Wellesley is an 89% residential community with a single tax rate, its comparison to neighboring and adjacent communities is not always clear-cut or relevant. Questions were raised about the new teacher evaluations and the potential increased demand for more teachers to cover teaching previously conducted by department heads.

Calendar Review

Advisory will meet prior to the Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room of the Wellesley High School.

Approval of Minutes

Lucy Kapples made a motion to approve the minutes of March 26, 2014. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands.

Lucy Kapples made a motion to approve the minutes of March 31, 2014. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands.

Lucy Kapples made a motion to approve the minutes of April 1, 2014. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands.

New Business/Old Business

There was none.

Ms. Freiman adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m. with no objections.