

**Wellesley Public Schools
School Committee Meeting
January 16, 2019
Superintendent's Conference Room – Wellesley Middle School**

The meeting was called to order at 1:13 PM. Those present included School Committee Chair Matt Kelley, Vice Chair Melissa Martin, Secretary Linda Chow, members Michael D'Ortenzio Jr. and Sharon Gray; Superintendent David Lussier and Assistant Superintendent Cindy Mahr; Human Resources Director Gayle McCracken and Executive Director of General Government Blythe Robinson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one present wished to speak.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes: December 17, 2018
- Approval of Minutes: December 18, December 19, December 20 (daytime) and December 20, 2018

After a brief discussion, upon a motion made by Ms. Gray and seconded by Mr. D'Ortenzio Jr., the Committee **VOTED 4-0** to approve the December 17, 2018 Open Session Minutes as presented. Ms. Martin abstained.

Next, the Committee, upon a motion by Ms. Martin and seconded by Ms. Gray, **unanimously VOTED** to approve the December 18, December 19, December 20 (daytime) and December 20, 2018 Open Session Minutes as amended.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 1:25 pm, Mr. Kelley entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Wellesley Teachers Association because, as Chair, he declared that having such discussion in Open Session would have a detrimental effect on such bargaining; to allow (1) Superintendent David Lussier, (2) Assistant Superintendent Cindy Mahr, (3) Director of Human Resources Gayle McCracken, and (4) Executive Director of General Government Services Blythe Robinson to participate in the discussion; and to reconvene in Open Session after the conclusion of the Executive Session.

MOVED: Ms. Martin; **SECONDED:** Mr. D'Ortenzio Jr.; **ROLL CALL:** Ms. Gray – Yes, Ms. Martin – Yes, Mr. D'Ortenzio Jr. – Yes, Ms. Chow – Yes, Mr. Kelley – Yes.

VOTE to Approve: Yes – 5, No – 0.

OPEN SESSION

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at approximately 2:42 pm.

2019 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DRAFT WARRANT

Ms. Martin updated the Committee on the Annual Town Meeting (ATM) warrant articles for the Middle School Systems Bundle and the Middle School Steam Pipe projects.

Mr. D'Ortenzio Jr. provided an update on the Playing Fields Task Force warrant articles for the upcoming ATM.

Discussion followed as to whether funding for the Middle School Steam Pipe System project, if approved, would be under the levy or rolled into a future debt exclusion.

SY2018-19 SCHOOL COMMITTEE GOALS

Upon briefly discussing the proposed School Committee Goals (drafted October 31, 2018), Mr. Kelley suggested that the Committee defer voting on the goals until a future date.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE WEBSITE

Following a brief discussion of the proposed School Committee web page mock-up, the Committee agreed that Ms. Chow should work with Addie Doherty to make the changes as proposed.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Ms. Gray and seconded by Ms. Martin, the Committee ***unanimously VOTED*** to adjourn at 3:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Chow
Secretary

Documents and Exhibits Used

- Open Session Minutes for School Committee meetings on December 17, December 18, December 19, and December 20, 2018 (daytime)
- Open Session Minutes for Joint School Building Committee–SC–Board of Selectmen Meeting on December 20, 2018
- 2019 ATM Warrant Language for Articles 17-20 and Articles 21 & 22, w/markups and highlights
- Proposed School Committee Website Mock-up (updated)