



Winthrop School Committee
Winthrop, Massachusetts

A regular meeting of the Winthrop School Committee was held on Monday, January 8, 2018 in the Harvey Hearing Room, Town Hall, One Metcalf Square, Winthrop, MA. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Fabiano, Ms. Powell, Mr. Martucci, Mr. Vecchia, Mr. Perrin, Mr. Capobianco

Ms. Powell led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also meeting with Committee:

Lisa A. Howard, Superintendent of Schools

Susan Eccles, Office Manager

DELEGATES & VISITORS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES

Mr. Vecchia made a Motion to approve the Minutes of December 18, 2017. Mr. Perrin seconded the Motion. Mr. Fabiano-abstain, Ms. Powell-abstain, Mr. Martucci-abstain, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes. Mr. Capobianco. The Motion passes with three abstentions.

Mr. Martucci made a Motion to approve the Minutes of January 2, 2018. Mr. Vecchia seconded the Motion. Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes. Mr. Capobianco A unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL & BUSINESS PROCEDURES

Mr. Perrin made a Motion to approve Warrant SVW18-11 in the amount of \$130,6976.18. Mr. Vecchia seconded the Motion.

Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-abstain, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes. Mr. Capobianco The Motion passes with one abstention.

Mr. Vecchia made a Motion to approve Payroll Warrant SPW18-11 in the amount of \$739,847.20. Mr. Perrin seconded the Motion.

Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-abstain, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes. Mr. Capobianco The Motion passes with one abstention.

Mr. Fabiano made a Motion to accept the \$50.00 donation from Leuders Environmental, Inc. Mr. Vecchia seconded the Motion.

Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes. Mr. Capobianco A unanimous vote.

BULDINGS & GROUNDS

None

GENERAL REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Howard praised Steve Calla, Fire Chief Paul Flanagan, Deputy Police Chief John Goodwin, Michal Filipko, Matt Serino, all custodial staff members, Nick Rapino, and Town Manager Terry Delehanty for their efforts during the two recent snow days. The organized collaborative effort to ensure students and staff could safely return to school was amazing. Very strong communication and support.

Superintendent Howard provided the committee with an update on the broken pipe at the Middle School, which affected 3 classrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 storage rooms, 2 electrical rooms, the stage, hallway and rugs. The Fire Department was excellent in their efforts, along with Rich Cifuni, Jimmy Leary, and Matt Crombie.

Mrs. Howard provided a brief update on the playgrounds. They have been inspected and have been given suggestions on improvements. The surface is the highest priority. The slides are under warranty. We are waiting for costs for swing replacements. Ryan Heraty, Rich Cifuni, Terry Delehanty and Sean Driscoll are all part of the team and we should have a good plan at the end of the month. We have weekly checklists in place.

PERSONNEL

The following job vacancies have been posted: Part-time Office Aide, WPG; Track Junior Varsity Coach, WHS.

NEW BUSINESS

School Committee Vacancy

As Mr. Vecchia is the Town Council President, there is a vacancy on the school committee. There will be a joint meeting between the school committee and the town council to appoint someone to the school committee. Town Clerk Carla Vitale will contact individuals who applied previously to see if they wish to apply again. There is a tentative date for a joint meeting of January 16th, however Mr. Capobianco stated this is too soon. After discussion it was agreed upon to ask the town council for a later date.

Mr. Capobianco made a Motion to recommend to the Town Council a joint meeting date of January 30th and a deadline for applications set prior to such date. Mr. Martucci seconded the Motion.

Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes, Mr. Capobianco-yes. A unanimous vote.

Mr. Perrin made a Motion for a 5-minute recess. Mr. Martucci seconded the Motion.

Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes, Mr. Capobianco-yes. A unanimous vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chemical Health Violation Policy, Substance Abuse Prevention & Education Policy, and Smoking On School Premises Policy remain under unfinished business.

Mr. Capobianco made a Motion to address the above policies at the next school committee meeting, as the Policy Sub-committee has yet to meet. Mr. Fabiano seconded the Motion.

Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes, Mr. Capobianco-yes. A unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PUBLIC RELATIONS

- Mr. Fabiano announced the high school varsity home games for this week and encouraged people to attend if available.
- Mr. Capobianco welcomed new members James Fabiano, Gus Martucci, and Jennifer Powell!
- Mr. Vecchia announced the Middle School Band concert is this Wednesday evening at 6:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:33pm, Mr. Martucci made a Motion to adjourn. Mr. Fabiano seconded the Motion. Mr. Fabiano-yes, Ms. Powell-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Mr. Vecchia-yes, Mr. Perrin-yes. Mr. Capobianco A unanimous vote

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hames
Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools

Documents used in this meeting:

- Agenda
- Minutes of December 18, 2017
- Minutes of January 8, 2018
- Warrant SVW18-11 in the amount of \$130,697.18
- Payroll Warrant SPW18-11 in the amount of \$739,847.20
- Expenditure Report
- \$50.00 Donation from Lueders Environmental, Inc.
- Job Postings
- Chemical Health Violation Policies
- Substance Abuse Prevention & Education Policy #IHAMA
- Smoking on School Premises Policy #ADC

The above non-confidential documents can be found in the Superintendent's office, upon request.