



Winthrop School Committee
Winthrop, Massachusetts

A regular school committee meeting was held on Monday, September 8, 2025. The meeting was held in the Harvey Hearing Room, Town Hall, One Metcalf Square, Winthrop, MA. The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ms. Leonard, Mr. Letterie, Mr. Martucci, Ms. Petrie, Mr. Purinton, Ms. Barry, Ms. Powell

Also meeting with Committee:

Lisa Howard, Superintendent of Schools

Lori Gallivan, Assistant Superintendent of Schools/Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Technology

Dylan Cook, Chief Financial Officer/School Business Manager

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Barry led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kelly Pettis and Tyson Graygor provided public comments regarding transportation.

DELEGATES & VISITORS

None

MINUTES

Mr. Letterie made a Motion to approve the Minutes of August 25, 2025. Mr. Purinton seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL & BUSINESS PROCEDURES

Ms. Barry made a Motion to approve Warrant SVW26-4 in the amount of \$114,214.21

Mr. Letterie seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

Ms. Leonard made a Motion to approve Payroll Warrant SPW26-04 in the amount of \$891,256.74.

Ms. Petrie seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-abstain, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. The Motion passes with one abstention.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

The following requests were before the committee for approval: WINARC, Special Olympics Basketball, William P. Gorman Fort Banks Gymnasium.

Ms. Petrie made a Motion to approve the use of building request from WINARC and to waive the rental fee. Mr. Purinton seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent gave an update on upcoming activities and events at all schools including curriculum nights and fire drills. Electronic Bicycle safety is being addressed. We are working with Mary Crisfafi and Chief Goodwin to address safety concerns. The Robert DeFelice dedication was held last Friday which is Miller Field at Coach Bob DeFelice Stadium. The next negotiations will be a joint session on September 29, 2025 at 6:00pm and will be open to the public.

Home School Applications

Seven home school applications were presented with the recommendation from Lori Gallivan to approve. Two students in grade 3, one student in grade 4, one student in grade 5, one student in grade 9, and two students in grade 11. They are all returning students.

Mr. Letterie made a Motion to approve the seven home school applications as recommended. Mr. Purinton seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

PERSONNEL

The following are additional new hires for the school year: Nathan Lamar, CET Chairperson, Winthrop Middle School; Kelley Lowe, E.S.P., Gorman Fort Banks School; and Danna Ferullo, E.S.P., Arthur T. Cummings School.

NEW BUSINESS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Policy Updates

Lori Gallivan made changes to all of the policies as recommended by the Policy Sub-committee. The MASC will update all of the policies, and it will be available online once it is complete.

Mr. Letterie made a Motion to accept and approve the Policy Manual. Mr. Purinton seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:33pm, Ms. Petrie made a Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; (Winthrop Teachers Association collective bargaining), not anticipating returning to general session and will adjourn after Executive Session.

Ms. Barry seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:30pm, Mr. Martucci made a Motion to adjourn. Mr. Letterie seconded the Motion.

Ms. Leonard-yes, Mr. Letterie-yes, Mr. Martucci-yes, Ms. Petrie-yes, Mr. Purinton-yes, Ms. Barry-yes, Ms. Powell-yes. A unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hibbard
Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools

Documents used in this meeting:

- Agenda
- Minutes of August 25, 2025
- Warrant SVW26-4 in the amount of \$114,214.21
- Payroll Warrant SPW26-04 in the amount of \$891,256.74
- Departmental Expenditure Report
- Buildings & Grounds – Use of Buildings Requests
 - WINARC, Special Olympics