



Winthrop School Committee
Winthrop, Massachusetts

A regular school committee meeting was held on Monday, November 17, 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

Dylan Cook, Chief Financial Officer/School Business Manager

Lori Gallivan, Assistant Superintendent of Schools/Director of Curriculum

Patricia Hibbard, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Letterie led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Suzanne Swope suggested a later start time for WMS/WHs students and shared some information.

DELEGATES & VISITORS

None

MINUTES

Ms. Barry made a Motion to approve the Minutes of November 3, 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 SVW26-9 in the amount of \$545,566.37.

Ms. Leonard 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. Barry made a Motion to approve Payroll Warrant SPW26-09 in the amount of \$924,632.44.

Mr. Purinton seconded the Motion.

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

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

The following requests were presented to the school committee for approval: WINARC, Special Olympics, Gorman Fort Banks Gymnasium. WINARC also requests the waiver of the rental fees.

Mr. Letterie made a Motion to approve the request from WINARC and waive the rental fees. 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

Negotiations are ongoing with teachers meeting this Thursday, and E.S.P. meeting is scheduled for next Monday.

The Superintendent made a statement reminding parents and guardians that the school district views all potential weapons, real or imitation, intended for play or other use, as a prohibited item on school property. Student and staff safety is the district's top priority, and bringing such items to school may result in serious consequences. Students should not be trading, selling, or buying items from other students at school. Parents and guardians should take the opportunity to talk to their child about responsible and respectful behavior to ensure their own safety and the safety of others.

The Superintendent discussed upcoming events in each school including book fairs, food drives, PTO sponsored holiday raffles, ATC Turkey Trot, and WHS Pep Rally.

Brian Curley, Principal, Winthrop Middle School, is being recognized by DESE, for Winthrop Middle School reaching pre-pandemic levels in 3-8 MCAS Math & Literacy. Mr. Curley will be attending the Celebrating Academic Success Conference on Wednesday, December 3rd, where he will share best practices and collaborate on future plans for continued success.

Home School Applications

None

PERSONNEL

Lori Gallivan, Assistant Superintendent and Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Technology, has submitted her resignation.

Cafeteria positions at the WMS/WHS have been posted.

NEW BUSINESS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC RELATIONS

- Congratulations to WHS Cheerleaders who placed 2nd at NEC two weeks ago, advanced to Regionals this past weekend, and will now participate in the Division 3 State Championships on Saturday, November 22nd at Worcester State!
- Congratulations to WMS Students of the Month for October! Grade 6: Max Murray & Emma Krete; Grade 7: Tomas Verdaguer & David Duran; Grade 8: Maite Colon & Iris Kajo!
- WHS Drama performed "Hadestown Teen Edition" and did not disappoint! Shoutout to all the Seniors who participated in this year's musical. Also a huge thank you to Viking Pride Foundation for their generous donation to fund new stage equipment used for this production, enhancing productions for years to come!
- WHS Class of 2027 is hosting the annual Country Fair on Thursday, November 20th, at St. Michael's Parish Hall.
- Thank you to Zonta Club of Chelsea for donating gift cards for families in need during the holiday season! We appreciate their continued generosity.
- WHS Football won last week 34-14 over Wilmington. They take the field next on Thanksgiving Day in Revere.
- Congratulations to our All Stars and All Conference in the NEC!
 - Ryan Murphy, All Conference, Golf
 - Nikita Rossi, All Star, Golf
 - Tomas Babine, All Star, Golf
 - Anastasia Gajica, All Star, Volleyball

- Noah Bayersdofer, All Conference, Boys' Soccer
- Kerim Kurdu, All Star, Boys' Soccer
- Fabiano Alcala, All Star, Boys' Soccer
- Kai Faber, All Star, Boys' Soccer
- Angela Coscia, All Star, Girls' Soccer
- Owen Harty, All Star, Cross Country
- Amy's Breakfast with Santa is Sunday, December 7th at St. Michael's Parish, after the 10:00am Mass. Tickets are \$5.00. Proceeds benefit the Heart & Soul Scholarship in Honor of Amy Gallagher and the Youth Ministry.
- Congratulations to the three newly elected school committee members who will be sworn into office in January.
- Happy Thanksgiving!

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:46pm, Ms. Barry made a Motion to adjourn. 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.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hibbard
Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools

Documents used in this meeting:

- Agenda
- Minutes of November 3, 2025
- Warrant SVW26-9 in the amount of \$545,566.37
- Payroll Warrant SVW26-09 in the amount of \$924,632.44
- Departmental Expenditure Report
 - Buildings & Grounds
 - WINARC, Special Olympics, GFB Gymnasium
 - Personnel
 - Resignation – Lori Gallivan
 - Postings – Cafeteria Workers at MS/HS
 - Flyers/Notices