

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Special Meeting #309 Tuesday, February 10, 2015
7:00 PM

Media Center
Wachusett Regional High School
1401 Main Street, Holden

Committee Members Present:

Lance Harris, Chair	Sarah LaMountain
Robert Imber, Vice-chair	Robert McCarthy
Scott Brown	Steve Porter
Thomas Curran (7:58 PM)	Robert Remillard
Michael Dennis	Barbara Renzoni
Susan Hitchcock	Christina Smith
Stacey Jackson	Charles Witkes (7:26 PM)
Julianne Kelley	

Committee Members Absent:

Matthew Ehrenworth	Kenneth Mills
Timothy Ethier	Brian Ruttle
Harriet Fradellos	Erik Scheinfeldt
Deidre Kosky	

Committee Members Participating Remotely:

None

Administration Present:

Darryll McCall, Superintendent of Schools
Joseph Scanlon, Director of Business and Finance
Jeff Carlson, Director of Human Resources
Rebecca Petersen, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

Student Representatives Present:

Liam Fritsche

Chair Harris called the Retreat to order at 7:14 PM. He turned the meeting over to Superintendent McCall, who was joined at the table by Directors Scanlon and Carlson. Superintendent McCall explained a PowerPoint presentation would be shown, to which he and Directors Scanlon and Carlson would speak. Superintendent McCall invited School Committee members to ask questions during the presentation.

7:26 PM Member Witkes joined the meeting.

During the PowerPoint presentation and as Superintendent McCall was speaking to and explaining the information being shown, many members asked questions and there was discussion around the table.

7:54 PM Chair Harris left the table.

7:58 PM Member Curran joined the meeting.

8:00 Chair Harris returned to the table.

At 8:38 PM the presentation concluded. Chair Harris invited members to ask additional questions or share their comments and/or concerns.

Throughout the meeting, most members contributed to the discussion around the table.

9:07 PM Member LaMountain left the table.

At the Committee's agreement, Chair Harris read aloud a statement Member Mills had asked be read into the record (attachment 2).

9:10 PM Member LaMountain returned to the table.

9:20 PM Student Representative Fritsche left the meeting.

When all members had been given the opportunity to voice their opinions/ask their questions, Chair Harris reviewed the next steps in the budget process. He explained the Annual Budget Hearing will be held Monday, February 23, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the Media Center. The School Committee will vote on the proposed FY16 budget at the regular meeting on Monday, March 16, 2015. If the Committee does not vote to approve the proposed FY16 budget on March 16, 2015, a special meeting of the School Committee will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015.

Motion: To adjourn.

(M. Dennis)
(S. Porter)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Lance Harris
Robert Imber
Scott Brown
Thomas Curran
Michael Dennis
Susan Hitchcock
Stacey Jackson
Julianne Kelley
Sarah LaMountain
Robert McCarthy

Steve Porter
Robert Remillard
Barbara Renzoni
Christina Smith
Charles Witkes

Opposed:
None

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Darryll McCall, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

DM:rlp