

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HOLDEN ♦ PAXTON ♦ PRINCETON ♦ RUTLAND ♦ STERLING

Minutes

Special Meeting #301 Tuesday, December 3, 2013

Media Center
Wachusett Regional High School

Committee Members Present:

Lance Harris, Chair	Matthew Lindberg (7:22 PM)
Scott Brown	James Mason
Lisa Call	Robert McCarthy
Thomas Curran	Kenneth Mills
Matthew Ehrenworth	Tiffany Ralli
Robert Imber	Erik Scheinfeldt
Stacey Jackson	Christina Smith (7:05 PM)
Julianne Kelley	Margaret Watson
Deidre Kosky	Charles Witkes
Sarah LaMountain	

Committee Members Absent:

William Clute	Robert Remillard
Robert Pelczarski, Vice-chair	

Administration Present:

Anthony Gasbarro, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Jeffrey Carlson, Director of Human Resources
Joseph Scanlon, Director of Business and Finance
Rebecca Petersen, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

I. Call to Order

Chair Harris called the special meeting of the School Committee to order at 7:02 PM. Chair Harris explained the only item on the agenda is to interview Superintendent of School finalist Elizabeth Schaper. Chair Harris gave an overview of how the meeting would proceed. Chair Harris told that the meeting would be shown live on Holden Cable, and cable stations in Paxton, Rutland, and Sterling would be provided with copies of DVDs of the interviews for broadcasting in those towns. DVDs will also be delivered to the Princeton public library.

Members were provided with a booklet containing questions that will be asked of the candidate (attachment 1). If asking a question from the booklet, members were asked to reference the number of the question. Chair Harris explained members would be called upon in random order, and would be allotted five minutes each to ask their questions of Dr. Schaper.

II. Interview of Superintendent Finalist – Elizabeth Schaper

Chair Harris introduced Elizabeth Schaper. Dr. Schaper was given the opportunity make an opening statement.

7:05 PM Member Smith joined the meeting.

Chair Harris called on members in the following order:

1. Robert McCarthy
2. Scott Brown
3. Matthew Ehrenworth, question #26
4. Kenneth Mills

7:22 PM Member Lindberg joined the meeting.

5. Erik Scheinfeldt, question #9
6. Stacey Jackson, question #2
7. Tiffany Ralli, question #27
8. Julianne Kelley, question #12
9. Charles Witkes, question #19
10. Deidre Kosky
11. Matthew Lindberg, question #13
12. Thomas Curran
13. Sarah LaMountain, question #28
14. Christina Smith

8:21 PM Member Kelley left the table.

15. Robert Imber, question #20

8:25 PM Member Kelley returned to the table.

8:25 PM Member Kelley left the meeting.

8:26 PM Member Smith left the table.

8:28 PM Member Smith returned to the table.

16. James Mason, question titled "additional question from James Mason"
17. Margaret Watson, question #6
18. Lisa Call, question #10
19. Lance Harris

At 8:55 PM questions concluded and Chair Harris gave Dr. Schaper the opportunity to provide a closing statement.

Chair Harris explained that Dr. Schaper will visit the Central Office on Thursday, December 5th, and he invited interested School Committee members and the public to join open sessions at either 10:00 – 11:00 AM or 11:00 AM – 12:00 noon to meet Dr.

Schaper. Chair Harris explained that candidate Michael Buoniconti will visit the District on Wednesday, December 4th, and he extended the same invitation. Chair Harris explained that candidate Darryll McCall will visit the District on Friday, December 6th, and he extended the same invitation.

III. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn.

(M. Watson)
(S. Brown)

Vote:

In favor:

Lance Harris
Scott Brown
Lisa Call
Thomas Curran
Matthew Ehrenworth
Robert Imber
Stacey Jackson
Deidre Kosky
Sarah LaMountain
Matthew Lindberg
James Mason
Robert McCarthy
Kenneth Mills
Tiffany Ralli
Erik Scheinfeldt
Christina Smith
Margaret Watson
Charles Witkes

Opposed:

None

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony A. Gasbarro
Interim Superintendent