

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Special Meeting #302 Wednesday, December 4, 2013

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Wachusett Regional High School

*Committee Members Present:*

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

*Committee Members Absent:*

William Clute	Christina Smith
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 5:46 PM. Chair Harris explained the only item on the agenda is to interview Superintendent of School finalists Michael Buoniconti and Darryll McCall. 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 candidates (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 each of the candidates.

II. Interview of Superintendent Finalist – Michael Buoniconti

Chair Harris introduced Michael Buoniconti. Mr. Buoniconti was given the opportunity to make an opening statement.

Chair Harris called on members in the following order:

1. Robert Remillard, question #7
2. Sarah LaMountain, question #28
3. Margaret Watson, question #5
4. Charles Witkes
5. James Mason
6. Scott Brown, question #15
7. Lisa Call, question #10
8. Julianne Kelley, question #12
9. Tiffany Ralli, question #16
10. Robert Imber, question #20
11. Erik Scheinfeldt, question #9
12. Deidre Kosky
13. Stacey Jackson, questions #2 and #12
14. Kenneth Mills, question #11
15. Thomas Curran, question #30
16. Robert McCarthy, question #21
17. Matthew Lindberg
18. Matthew Ehrenworth
19. Lance Harris, question #13

At the conclusion of each member being given time to ask an initial question, Chair Harris asked for a show of hands which members desire to ask a second/follow-up question.

Chair Harris called on members in the following order:

1. Sarah LaMountain
2. James Mason
3. Lisa Call
4. Robert Remillard
5. Erik Scheinfeldt
6. Stacey Jackson
7. Thomas Curran
8. Lance Harris, question #22
9. Julianne Kelley

At 7:37 PM questions concluded and Chair Harris gave Mr. Buoniconti the opportunity to provide a closing statement.

At 7:40 PM Chair Harris declared the School Committee meeting in recess, to reconvene at 7:55 PM.

Chair reconvened the School Committee meeting at 8:00 PM. He explained the same format would be used for this interview.

Chair Harris introduced Darryll McCall. Dr. McCall was given the opportunity to make an opening statement.

Chair Harris called on members in the following order:

1. Erik Scheinfeldt
2. Kenneth Mills
3. Matthew Lindberg, question #13
4. Thomas Curran, question #30
5. Robert McCarthy, question #21
6. Sarah Lamountain
7. Lisa Call
8. Scott Brown
9. Stacey Jackson, question #2
10. Charles Witkes
11. James Mason
12. Deidre Kosky
13. Matthew Enhrenworth
14. Robert Imber
15. Margaret Watson, questions #5 and #11
16. Tiffany Ralli
17. Julianne Kelley
18. Robert Remillard
19. Lance Harris

At the conclusion of each member being given time to ask an initial question, Chair Harris announced there was time remaining for a brief round two.

Chair Harris called on members in the following order:

1. Robert McCarthy
2. Sarah LaMountain
3. Robert Imber
4. Matthew Lindberg
5. Lisa Call, question #10
6. James Mason, question #22

At the conclusion of questions, Chair Harris gave Dr. McCall the opportunity to provide a closing statement.

Chair Harris reminded members that Elizabeth Schaper and Darryll McCall would be visiting the District on Thursday and Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Chair Harris thanked the Committee for attendance at two special School Committee meetings to interview the candidates.

III. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn.

(R. Mills)  
(R. Imber)

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 9:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony A. Gasbarro  
Interim Superintendent