

**LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Administrative Offices
90 Commercial Street
Lynn, MA 01905**

**Fourteenth Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Thursday, September 29, 2011 at 7:05 p.m.**

Members present: Ms. Capano, Ms. Coppola, Ms. Carrasco, Mr. Ford
Mr. Spirito, Mr. Starbard, Mayor Kennedy

In Attendance: Dr. Latham, Superintendent
Dr. Warry, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. McHugh, School Business Administrator
Mr. Iarrobino, Secretary of the School

Committee

Attorney Mihos

Mayor Kennedy presided.

The Mayor opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence.

NECROLOGY

There was no Necrology.

MINUTES

1. Building & Grounds Sub-Committee – September 8, 2011
2. Curriculum Sub-Committee – September 8, 2011
3. Thirteenth Regular Meeting – September 8, 2011

Mr. Spirito made a motion to adopt the above-listed minutes. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PRESENTATION

1. Manufacturing Update

Mayor Kennedy introduced LVTI Alumni President, Mr. Ronald Beckett, who presented an overview of the new Machine Tool Technology Program that will be offered in September, 2012. Mayor Kennedy thanked Mr. Beckett for his perseverance in helping to restore the Machine Shop program and his dedication to the students at LVTI.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Home School Policy – presented at Curriculum Sub-Committee – September 8, 2011

Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the proposed Home School Policy with typographical corrections as noted. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	No
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

2. Athletic Eligibility Policy – presented at Curriculum Sub-Committee – September 8, 2011

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the proposed Athletic Eligibility Policy. Seconded.

Mr. Starbard made a motion to Table. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

2. Social Networking Policy – presented to Committee of the Whole – September 22, 2011.

No action was taken.

APPOINTMENT

1. Joseph Skeadas – Athletic Director position at Lynn Vocational Technical Institute eff. September 13, 2011.

Provided for information only.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Requests to Home School for 2011-12 school year:
 - a. Fraser family – 1 child – Grade 7

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the Fraser family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

- b. Irvin family – 1 child – Grade 5

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the Irvin family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

- c. Grant family – 1 child – Grade 11

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the Grant family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

d. Alexander family – 3 children

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the Alexander family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

e. Breen family – 2 children – Grades 2 & 5

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the Breen family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

f. King family – 1 child – Grade 6

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the King family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

g. Corbett family – 1 child – Grade 7

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to Home School from the Corbett family. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

2. Ratification of Local 1736 Contracts (2 years) Extension of Contract
July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 and July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

Ms. Capano made a motion to ratify the contract extension of Local 1736. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

Committee members signed the contract with Local 1736.

3. Ratification of vote taken by Policy Sub-Committee – September 29, 2011.

Mr. Starbard made a motion to approve the vote taken by the Policy Sub-Committee to approve the School Visits Policy and strike the last line of this policy. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

4. Ratification of votes taken by Building & Grounds Sub-Committee – September 29, 2011

Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the vote taken by the Building & Grounds Sub-Committee to approve the Building Use Policy. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

5. Donation of Football Helmets to Pop Warner

Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the donation of football helmets to East Lynn Pop Warner and West Lynn Pop Warner with a Waiver of Liability retained. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Girls Inc. of Lynn – *Evaluation Findings for Will Power/Won't Power*. Letter of thanks to Analog Devices of Wilmington, MA for donation of student backpacks to Ingalls School students.

INFORMATION

1. New Job Postings:

- a. Vice Principal – Fecteau-Leary

Discussion ensued with Ms. Coppola requesting clarification of the Vice Principal title instead of Assistant Director. It was noted that the pay and duties are the same.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to Table. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	No
Mr. Spirito	No
Mr. Starbard	No
Mayor Kennedy	No

Motion failed.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to amend the Job Posting for the position of Vice Principal at Fecteau-Leary to Assistant Director. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

- b. Program Specialist – Elementary School (Cobbet Elementary School)
- c. Campus Monitor – (2)

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the posting the position of Program Specialist and two (2) Campus Monitor positions. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Spirito	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. PowerPoint on MCAS Result for SY 2011-2012

Dr. Latham presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2011 MCAS results and District Overview.

- Massachusetts will seek "No Child Left Behind" waiver
- Governor Patrick's Press Release showing the ten Level 4 schools with the biggest combined increase in the percent of students scoring *Proficient* and *Advanced* for SY 2010 and 2011, included Harrington and Connery Elementary Schools.
- Lynn continues to outperform other urban districts with similar demographics
- District results by grade show strong scores and excellent Student Growth Percentiles (SGPs)
- Middle Schools continue to be a major focus
- Lynn has experienced gains in closing achievement gaps in both ELA and math
Harrington — 2011 Accountability Data
- DOE, Commissioner's Districts MCAS Results in ELA and Mathematics (sorted by CPI)
- 2011 ELA MCAS Results for 24 Massachusetts Urban Districts (Sorted by CPI in decreasing order)
- 2011 Math MCAS Results for 24 Massachusetts Urban Districts (Sorted by CPI in Decreasing Order.
- Lynn District Results by Grade
- English Language Arts — MCAS Achievement Goals for Grades 3 through 8 and 10,
- Mathematics — MCAS Achievement Goals for Grade 3 through 8 and 10

Ms. Capano made a motion to accept for the files the Superintendent's Report. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Capano made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO
Secretary of the School Committee

ADOPTED S.C. - 10-27-11