

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

**Fifteenth Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Thursday, October 13, 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.

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

NECROLOGY

1. Dorothy Morrow, retired teacher on July 22, 2011
2. Beatrice Risman, retired teacher on September 9, 2011
3. Virginia M. Nalbandian, retired teacher on August 29, 2011

MINUTES

None listed.

FIFTEENTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE S.C. Minutes October 13, 2011

PRESENTATION

1. Marshall Middle School – Banner Presentation from College For Every Student (CFES)

Mr. Richard Cowdell, Principal, Marshall Middle School, presented an overview of the College for Every Student (CFES). The school was presented the “Award of Distinction for 2011. Mr. Cowdell informed the Committee that “College for Every Student is a national non-profit organization that partner with colleges, high schools and middle schools. CFES partnered with Marshall Middle School three years ago. The goal was to expose students to the idea of going to college. After completing a special project this year, Marshall Middle School was chosen to receive the “Award of Distinction.” A representative from College for Every Student, presented the “Award of Distinction.” to Marshal Middle School Principal, Richard Cowdell.

2. Food Project – James Harrison, Andy Harding, and Norris Guscott

Mr. James Harrison, Director of The Food Project, Mr. Andy Harding and Mr. Norris Guscott presented an overview of a recent Food Project program. The Food Project was chosen to participate in a program by AmeriCorps. It is hoped that this program will help families obtain access to fresh and healthy food. Former Lynn Public School students, Andy Harding and Norris Guscott were chosen by AmeriCorps to work toward helping provide resources for families on the North Shore. This program emphasizes Education, Engagement and Access.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. New Business

a. Field Trip Request:

- (1) Pickering Middle School to Washington, DC – April 15-18, 2012

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the Pickering Middle School field trip request to Washington, DC on April 15-18, 2012. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

b. Retired Teachers Recognition Function – Mr. Spirito

Mr. Spirito made a motion to have the Lynn School Department host an event where the School Department recognizes its retirees. 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. Line Item Amendment; Fecteau-Leary Jr./Sr. High School.

Mr. Ford made a motion to change the Line Item No. D4304 to read: Principal/Vice Principal. 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.

- d. Order of Sons of Italy, request to conduct a Christopher Columbus coloring/drawing contest for Gr. 1-3 (coloring poster) Gr. 4-5 (pencil drawing)

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the request to conduct a Christopher Columbus coloring/drawing contest by the Sons of Italy. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

- e. Local 1736 request permission to send a delegate to the AFSCME Council 93 20th Biennial Convention to be held in Danvers on November 4, 2011

Mr. Starbard made a motion to approve the request of Local 1736 to send a delegate to the AFSCME Council 93 20th Biennial Convention on November 4, 2011. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

f. Ratification of votes taken in Policy Sub-Committee meeting – October 13, 2011

(1) Athletic Eligibility Policy

Mr. Starbard made a motion to approve the Athletic Eligibility Policy and add the following amendment:

Seconded.

This amendment pertains to students at LVTI:

“Any LVTI student who receives an F in their shop will be ineligible to play in any sport regardless of their other grades.”

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

Mr. Starbard made a motion to adopt the Social Networking Policy. Seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Carrasco voiced concern over the words: teachers and educators.

Ms. Coppola agreed with Ms. Carrasco and suggested that the words “teacher or educator” be changed to Lynn Public School employees.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to amend the Social Networking Policy by replacing the words teacher or educator to Lynn Public School employees.

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 on the amendment passed.

Mr. Starbard made a motion to approve the Social Networking Policy with amendment.

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.

(3) Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Policy for consideration.

This items was Tabled during the Sub-Committee meeting.

g. Request for Executive Session – Legal issues

Mayor Kennedy asked that this be held at the end of the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Lynn Water & Sewer – results of the lead & copper testing conducted at the Aborn and Brickett Schools on August 10, 2011.

Ms. Capano made a motion to accept for the files the above-listed Communication. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

2. Inspectional Services Department – summary report of the Microbial Assessment performed on the basement and sub-basement of the Drewicz School.

Ms. Capano made a motion to accept for the files the above-listed Communication. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

INFORMATION

1. Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Inc – notice of annual meeting – November 11, 2011 and Management Information for School Committees Survey (MISC).
2. Superintendent Latham informed the Committee that the Lynn Police Department will be restoring the School Resource Officers (SROs) to the three middle schools.

Mr. Starbard made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO
Secretary of the School Committee

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