

**LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Administrative Offices**  
**90 Commercial Street**  
**Lynn, Massachusetts**

**Seventeenth Regular Meeting of the School Committee**  
**Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.**

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

**In Attendance:** Dr. Latham, Superintendent  
Dr. Warry, Deputy Superintendent  
Ms. Rowe, Deputy Superintendent  
Mr. McHugh, School Business Administrator  
Attorney Mihos  
Mr. Iarrobino, Secretary of the School Committee

Mayor Kennedy presided.

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

**NECROLOGY**

1. Ruth Simbliaris B Head Cook on October 30, 2012

**MINUTES**

1. Sixteenth Regular Meeting B October 25, 2012

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Seconded.  
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Rob Upton and Justina Alicudo - Classical High School Coaches were honored by the Northeastern Conference by their peers as Co-Coaches of the Year in the league's North Division

Mayor Kennedy and Superintendent Latham congratulated Coach Upton and Coach Alicudo on their award.

**APPOINTMENTS/ELECTIONS**

- 1. Marianne Duncan B Guidance Counselor Breed Middle School B effective October 31, 2012
- 2. Steven Martin B Girl=s Winter Track Coach effective October 24, 2012

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Ratification of votes taken in Policy Sub-Committee B School Visitors Guidelines B Athletic Transfer Policy

Mr. Starbard made a motion to approve the School Visitors Guidelines to replace existing Visitors Policy. Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

Mr. Starbard made a motion to approve the Athletic Transfer Policy/Appeal Process as an amendment to existing Transfer Policy. Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

- 2. Educator Appreciation B Mr. Gallo

a. Brant Duncan, President, Lynn Teachers Union

Mr. Gallo made a motion to form a Special Committee to include the Lynn Teachers Union, Lynn Public Schools administrators and School Committee members to recommend ways to celebrate our teachers. Seconded.

<b>Roll Call Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

3. Field Trip Requests

a. Thurgood Marshall Middle School to UNH B New Hampshire on November 17, 2012

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the Marshall Middle School field trip to UNH, New Hampshire on November 17, 2012. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

b. Pickering Middle School to Philadelphia, PA on April 14 B 16, 2013

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the Pickering Middle School field trip to Philadelphia, PA on April 14 - 16, 2013. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

c. English High School to Rome, Italy on April 15 B 19, 2013

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the English High School field trip to Rome, Italy on April 15 - 29, 2013. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

4. Ford School space issues B Mrs. Coppola

Ms. Coppola made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ford School Principal Crane and the members of the School Improvement Council to discuss Ford School space issues. Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

The Mayor invited members of the School Improvement Council of the Ford School to come forward to speak regarding space issues.

Principal Crane introduced the parents who requested that the library remain available.

Mr. Ford made a motion to Table. Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

5. Gifted Program B Mr. Starbard

Mr. Starbard read from our Policy Manual: Gifted and Talented students are those students who demonstrate outstanding performance or the assessed potential for such performance or whose abilities, talents and potential for accomplishment in one or more areas of endeavor are so outstanding that they require special provisions to meet their educational needs.

Mr. Starbard asked that a Gifted and Talented Educational Program be identified and provided for students in grades kindergarten through twelve who are intellectually and creatively gifted.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Starbard made a motion to refer this to the Curriculum Sub-Committee and ask the Curriculum Director to explore the possibility of offering a Gifted and Talented Program in our schools. Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

**INFORMATION**

- 1. Superintendent=s Report
  - & Public Forum on the Marshall Middle School, Wednesday, November 14, 2012
  - & Music Motivates Me Tour
  - & Inspectional Services Director Michael Donovan provided building reports

A motion from the floor was made to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Seconded.  
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO  
Secretary of the School Committee

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