

LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
James Leo McGuinness Administration Offices
100 Bennett Street
Lynn, Massachusetts

Grants Sub-Committee Meeting of the School Committee
Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Gallo, Chair
Ms. Capano
Mr. Ford

Observing: Ms. Coppola, Mr. Starbard

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

Chairman Gallo presided.

Item 1: Update on the 501(c)(3)

Chairman Gallo passed the gavel to Ms. Capano.

Mr. Gallo spoke about using the private sector to help our schools. It was noted that Attorney Mihos reviewed the legality of an agreement and he found no legal barriers.

Mr. Gallo noted that the Lynn Business Education Foundation has been receptive to working with the Lynn Public Schools on this effort.

Mr. Gallo stated that the Lynn Public Schools would work with the Lynn Business Education Foundation who would avail its 501 (c) (3) designation to the Lynn Public Schools by virtue of becoming a conduit or fiscal agent to the Lynn Public Schools for various grant opportunities.

Mr. Gallo made a motion to request Dr. Latham establish a grant making relationship with a tax-exempt entity within the City of Lynn and recommend to the full Committee. Seconded.

Motion passed on a voice vote.

Item 2: ELL Enrichment Academies Grant Program

Deputy Superintendent Warry noted that Middlebury College and Endicott College will participate. The emphasis will be on developing academic vocabulary and total immersion of the ELL students.

Ms. Capano made a motion to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO
Secretary of the School Committee

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Approved by School Committee on March 27, 2014

LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Policy Sub-Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 6:15 p.m

Members present: Mr. Starbard, Chair
Mr. Gallo
Mr. Ford

Observing: Ms. Capano
Ms. Coppola

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

Chairman Starbard presided.

Item 1: Screening Committee

Ms. Capano noted that discussions regarding adding changes in Section A to the wording: “up to” three parents; “up to” 3 staff members and include a community representative.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Gallo made a motion to recommend to the full Committee to add the words “up to” to appear before 3 staff; add the words “up to” to appear before 3 parents; add the words “up to” to appear before 3 School Committee members to the current policy. Seconded.

Discussion ensued with Ms. Coppola providing information obtained from the Cambridge School system's Screening Committee guidelines.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard	Yes

Motion passed.

Chairman Starbard passed the gavel to Mr. Gallo

Item 3: School Improvement Plans

Chairman Starbard made a motion to change the School Improvement Plan File BDFA-B date of submission of School Improvement Plans from February 1 to June 1. Chairman Starbard would like also to enact the emergency provisions in the preamble. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
Mr. Ford	Yes
Mr. Gallo	Yes
Mr. Starbard`	Yes

Motion passed.

A motion from the floor was made to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

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LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Building & Grounds Sub-Committee of the School Committee
Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Ford, Chair
Ms. Carrasco
Ms. Coppola

Observing: Ms. Capano
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

Chairman Ford presided.

Item 1: 20 Wheeler Street for Adult Education classes

Dr. Latham requested permission to move the adult education classes at LVTI to 20 Wheeler Street because of security and safety reasons and the need for more space.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Ford asked for a motion to move forward with the process and return to the Committee with final figures.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to Table. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Carrasco	Yes
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Ms. Coppola	Yes
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Mr. Ford	Yes
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Motion passed.

Attorney Mihos suggested the Committee authorize Dr. Latham to negotiate the terms of a lease with EDIC for 20 Wheeler Street and report back to the Committee.

Ms. Carrasco made a motion to remove from the Table. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Carrasco	Yes
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Ms. Coppola	Yes
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Mr. Ford	Yes
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Motion passed.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to ask Dr. Latham to go out to negotiate the terms of a lease with 20 Wheeler St. and return to the Sub-Committee with the details. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Carrasco	Yes
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Ms. Coppola	Yes
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Mr. Ford	Yes
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Motion passed.

Item 2: Transfer of property 113 Broad St. back to the City.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to recommend to the full Committee the transfer of property at 113 Broad Street back to the City of Lynn. Seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Carrasco	Abstain
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes

Motion passed.

Item 3: Update on Marshall Middle School

Mr. Ford provided an update on the Marshall Middle School

All inquiries from the MSBA have been responded to.
The last tenant will be out by next week.
Meeting was held with abutters on February 18, 2014
Purchase and Sales Agreement
On March 2 the City will go out to bid on the demolition package and site work
Anticipated start date is the beginning of May

Ms. Coppola made a motion to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Seconded.
Motion passed on a voice vote.

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LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Lynn, Massachusetts 01905

Fourth Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Thursday, February 27, 2014 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.

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

NECROLOGY

1. Emmanuel A. Frangos, former teacher on January 10, 2014
- 2.. Mary D. Lamoureux, former custodian on January 24, 2014
3. Edith Mendes, former lunch aide on January 25, 2014
4. Georgia C. Proodian, lunch aide on January 27, 2014
5. Charles R. Smith, Sr., retired custodian on February 6, 2014
6. Jean E. Kelty, retired teacher's aide on February 25, 2014

MINUTES

1. Curriculum Sub-Committee on January 30, 2014
2. Grants Sub-Committee on January 30, 2014
3. Second Regular meeting on January 30, 2014

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

PRESENTATION

1. Donation to Ford School from Aaron Rothbard and Gabe Salter of \$4,000 to purchase Amazon Kindle Fires.

Mayor Kennedy, Superintendent Latham and Principal Crane thanked Aaron Rothbard and Gabe Salter for their fund-raising efforts and donation.

2. Donna Whalen – Lynn Woods Elementary School, Invasive Plants/Lynn Woods

Ms. Whalen, 3rd Grade teacher and her students presented information on an environmental project in Lynn Woods: “What is an Invasive Plant?”, “The Problem”, and “The Solution.”

The following Lynn Woods students presented the results of their project to the Committee:

Brynn Bullock
Marquese L’Italien-Avery
Alexander MacMillian
Emily Grzela
Mia Philbrook
Samuel Parker
Brady Warren
Ryan Dugan
Tyler Allen

3. First in Math Presentations:

Top School – Lynn Woods
Top Class – Mrs. Nordyke, Tracy – Grade 5
Top Player – Yeison DeLeon, Drewicz – Grade 4

Shirley Benedict, Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction—Math, presented awards to the above students for their accomplishments participating in the First In Math Program.

Mayor Kennedy and Dr. Latham presented awards to the students and congratulated them on their success.

4. Project 351 Student Ambassadors

Dr. Latham explained that Project 351 was started by Governor Patrick to strengthen the Commonwealth through a new generation of service leaders by grade 8 students from each town in the Commonwealth. Through community service, leadership development and enrichment, these young people show compassion, humility, kindness and generosity of spirit.

Breed – Tyrese Joseph
 Marshall – Marilyn De Leon
 Pickering – Denelis Acosta

These students were chosen by the principals of their schools. Mayor Kennedy and Dr. Latham presented each student with a Certificate of Commendation and congratulated them on their inspiring service and being an ambassador of the City of Lynn.

Mr. Gallo made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of acknowledging the members of the Lynn Youth Council. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

5. Lynn Youth Council Members

Amelia Ferreras, LEHS, Grade 9
 Danitza Luque, Breed, Grade 8
 Jacianna Lights, Breed, Grade 8
 Adam Washington, Breed, Grade 8

Farha Mithila, Advisor

The members came tonight to observe the meeting and make plans on a project for the future. Mr. Gallo wished them luck in the coming year.

6. Sharing Tables – Laurie Bogart

Ms. Bogart explained that food that has been taken by a student and not eaten, is placed in a bin. The children or parents at the end of the day can take the food home. These items do not need refrigeration. Several schools have begun to participate in this effort.

7. Plate Waste Study – Scott Richardson, Project Bread (Cancelled)

8. Center for School Improvement Leadership Institute (NYC) – John Ford

Mr. Ford attended a professional development seminar in New York City with members of the Lynn Teacher's Union to find ways to raise student achievement. Their efforts focused on: Effective Communication, Team Building, Better Information Decision Making, Professional Development and

Team Action Planning. They emphasized the need for collaboration of teachers, administrators, parents and students working together.

APPOINTMENTS/ELECTIONS

1. Danielle Paoli – Bilingual Guidance Counselor – Marshall Middle School – effective February 24, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Donation to Ford School from Aaron Rothbard and Gabe Salter of \$4,000 to purchase Amazon Kindle Fires.

(This item was moved to the beginning of the meeting)

2. Donation to Shoemaker School from Shoemaker PTO for \$4,790 for the purchase of ten IPADS and \$1,217.30 for an IPAD cart (holds 40 IPADS) and cases for the ten IPADS

Ms. Capano made a motion to accept the donation of IPADS and cart. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

3. Lincoln-Thomson, Helen Psallidas Mihos, to Nature's Classroom, Freedom, NH – October 6, 2014 - October 10, 2014

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the field trip to Nature's Classroom by Lincoln-Thomson. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

4. Request for Massachusetts Army National Guard to take over U.S. Army S.T.A.R. program at Classical High School

Principal Constantino and Sargent Brown, U.S. Army National Guard indicated that they would change the name to the SALUTE Program (Students Achieving Leadership Under Training and Education).

Ms. Coppola made a motion to change the name of the U.S. Army S.T.A.R. Program to the U.S. National Guard SALUTE Program at Classical High School. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

5. Vote to submit Statement of Interest (SOI) to the MSBA for Pickering Middle School

Mrs. Capano made a motion

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 27, 2014, prior to the closing date, the Lynn School Committee, City of Lynn, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and

ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated on or before April 11, 2014, for the Pickering Middle School, located at 70 Conomo Avenue 01904, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for:

- Elimination of existing severe overcrowding
- Prevention of severe overcrowding expected to result in increased enrollments
- Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as, roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation expected and decrease related costs in a school facility
- Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements

and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the District of Lynn to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Seconded.

Roll Call

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

Motion passed.

6. Vote to cancel the fifth regularly scheduled meeting on March 13, 2014

Mr. Gallo made a motion to cancel the regularly scheduled meeting on March 13, 2014. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

7. Ratification of votes taken in Grants Sub-Committee: Update on 501 (c) (3) – ELL Enrichment Academies Grant Program

Mr. Gallo made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to establish a relationship with a 501(c)(3) tax exempt entity to obtain private grants for the Lynn Public Schools. Seconded.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

8. Ratification of votes taken in the Policy Sub-Committee: Screening Committee Procedures – Policy Adoption – Submission and Approval of the School Improvement Plan

Mr. Starbard made a motion to add to Section 7A:

Each Screening Committee for Principals/Directors should be comprised of up to 3 staff from that school community, up to 3 parents/guardians who reflect the school diversity, that being at least one parent from the highest minority percentage of students from that school, 1 community partner involved with the School Improvement Council, up to 3 School Committee members. Seconded.

Mrs. Carrasco made a motion to amend by removing “up to” phrase. Seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Gallo moving to amend Ms. Carrasco’s Amendment:

Each Screening Committee for Principals should be comprised of 3 staff from that school community, 3 parents/guardians who reflect the school diversity, that being at least on parent from the highest minority percentage of students from the school, 1 community partner involved with the School Improvement Council and up to 3 School Committee members provided, however, that the absence of one or more members of the Screening Committee shall not preclude the meeting of the remaining Committee members.

Roll Call vote on Ms. Carrasco’s amendment

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

Motion failed.

Roll Call on Mr. Gallo’s amendment to Ms. Carrasco’s amendment

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

Motion failed.

Roll Call on Mr. Starbard's original motion

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

Motion passed.

Chairman Starbard made a motion to change the School Improvement Plan File BDFA-B submission and approval of the School Improvement Plan to the Superintendent. Change date on the first line from February 1 to June 1. Seconded.

Roll Call

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

Motion passed.

9. Ratification of votes taken in the Building and Grounds Sub-Committee: Use of 20 Wheeler Street for Adult Education – Transfer of 113 Broad Street from School Department back to the City of Lynn

Mr. Ford made a motion to authorize Superintendent Latham to negotiate a lease for the property at 20 Wheeler Street and return to the Building & Grounds Sub-Committee with this information. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Capano	Yes
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Ms. Carrasco	Yes
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Ms. Coppola	Yes
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Mr. Ford	Yes
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Mr. Gallo	Yes
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Mr. Starbard	Yes
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Mayor Kennedy	Yes
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Motion passed.

Mr. Ford made a motion to transfer the property at 113 Broad Street back to the City of Lynn. Seconded.

Roll Call

Member	Vote
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Ms. Capano	Yes
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Ms. Carrasco	Abstain
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Ms. Coppola	Yes
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Mr. Ford	Yes
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Mr. Gallo	Yes
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Mr. Starbard	Yes
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Mayor Kennedy	Yes
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Motion passed.

10. Request for Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations with non-union personnel - Principals

Mr. Starbard made a motion to suspend the rules and hold the Executive Session at the end of the meeting. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

INFORMATION

1. Enrollment Report – February 1, 2014 provided for information only.
2. Update on District Focus Area 11: Social, emotional and healthcare needs of students
3. Superintendents Report

Copy of Goals Updates for February 27, 2014 provided to Committee
 Students from LVTI attended SKILLS USA and won 4 medals
 New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) continued participation
 The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC)
 Tower Foundation 5-year Grant for \$276,000
 Officer Ferrari—school locks/cameras installed in 17 schools
 NSCC interested in using space at LVTI for a Culinary Arts Program in the evening.

Mr. Ford made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. for the purpose of discussing non-union contract. Seconded.

Roll Call

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

Motion passed.

The Committee returned to the regular meeting at 8:40 p.m.
 No motions were made in Executive Session.

A motion from the floor was made to adjourn at 8:43 p.m. Seconded.
 Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO
 Secretary of the School Committee

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