

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

Policy Sub-Committee Meeting and a Committee of the Whole Meeting
Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 6:13 p.m.

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

Observing: Ms. Capano, Ms. Carrasco, Ms. Coppola

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

Chairman Starbard presided.

Item 1: Additional Snow Day Discussion

The purpose of this Committee meeting was to discuss the possibility of having the school year extended to June 30 due to the number of snow days taken this winter. Superintendent Latham stated that the school calendar is included in the teacher's contract and she will be asking Attorney Mihos for an opinion on this issue. She presented Committee members a survey taken by over 300 school superintendents and school board members who have many ideas for modifying the school calendar. Mr. Ford noted that Weymouth Public Schools has petitioned the State for a waiver on the 180-day requirement. Discussion ensued regarding the various options available to meet the state requirements.

A motion from the floor was made to adjourn at 6:27 p.m. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO
Secretary of the School Committee

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Adopted: March 26, 2015

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**Buildings & Grounds Sub-Committee Meeting and a
Committee of the Whole Meeting**
Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 6:45 p.m.

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

Observing: Ms. Capano, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Starbard

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

Chairman Ford presided.

Item 1: School Garden Guidelines

Chairman Ford introduced the Library Media and School Garden Specialist Liz Gaeta and Michael Geary, Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction—Health. Ms. Gaeta provided an overview of the School Garden Guidelines. Ms. Capano asked about funding for this program. Dr. Latham noted that GE Volunteers are becoming involved in this area and Ms. Gaeta has added the School Garden project to the grant applications. Ms. Coppola recommended a teacher stipend be added to the budget for this program.

Ms. Coppola made a motion to approve the School Garden Guidelines and recommend to the full Committee. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Item 2: Ford Garden

Ms. Coppola made a motion to Table the Ford Garden issue. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

A motion from the floor was made to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Seconded. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

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Fourth Regular Meeting of the School Committee
February 26, 2015 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
Susan 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. Rebecca P. McFarlane B former lunch aide on February 7, 2015
2. Ronald B. Spillane B former custodian on February 9, 2015
3. Peter J. Arslanian B retired principal on February 13, 2015

MINUTES

1. Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee on February 12, 2015
2. Third Regular Meeting on February 12, 2015

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. 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.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Certificate of Academic Excellence for the following students:

Classical	X	Tara Morong and Salena Von
English	X	Joseph Calnan and Danielle White
LVTI	X	Emily Guzman and Monica Salmeron

Mayor Kennedy, Superintendent Latham, LCHS Principal Constantino, LEHS Principal Strangie and LVTI Director Buontempo congratulated the students on their success. Each student was presented a Certificate of Academic Excellence from the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents.

Mayor Kennedy called a recess at 7:22 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:27 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Christopher Carroll B Head Football Coach at English High

Superintendent Latham introduced Coach Carroll who thanked the Superintendent, School Committee and Principal Strangie for this opportunity.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request to cancel the April 9, 2015 meeting and to hold a Special meeting on April 14, 2015

Ms. Capano made a motion to cancel the meeting scheduled for April 9, 2015 and reschedule the meeting for Student Government Day on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.. Seconded.
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

2. Ratification of votes taken in the Personnel Sub-Committee:

a. Deputy Superintendent posting

Ms. Coppola made a motion to post the position of Deputy Superintendent with the following changes:

Require a Doctorate Degree and combine the following qualifications:

Combine the following qualifications:

- (1) Requires five years of successful administrative experience in urban schools and
- (2) Successful urban experience as a principal or central office administrator.

Roll Call

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

Motion passed.

3. Ratification of votes taken in the Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee:

a. Ford Garden

This issue was Tabled.

b. School Garden Guidelines

Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the School Garden Guidelines as presented. 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.

COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION

1. Superintendent=s Report

- II The Superintendent congratulated Michael Donovan and his team from the Inspectional Services Department who did a wonderful job in preparing the schools after every snow storm this past month.
- II Dr. Latham thanked the School Department administration, faculty, staff and parents for their patience.

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