

**LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**James Leo McGuinness Administration Building**  
**100 Bennett Street**  
**Lynn, Massachusetts 01905**

**First Special Meeting of the School Committee**  
**Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Members present:** Ms. Capano, Ms. Carrasco, Ms. Coppola, Mr. Ford  
Ms. Gately, Mr. Nicholson, Mayor Kennedy

**Student Advisory Committee:** Absent

**In Attendance:** Dr. Latham, Superintendent  
Dr. Warry, Deputy Superintendent  
Dr. Tutwiler, 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. Mike Carr English High School Basketball coach on January 27, 2017
2. Michele Durgin on January 28, 2017

**MINUTES**

1. Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee on January 26, 2017
2. Personnel Sub-Committee on January 26, 2017
3. Second Regular Meeting on January 26, 2017
4. Executive Session on January 26, 2017

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

**APPOINTMENTS / ELECTIONS**

1. Nensi Cirikic, RN, BSN – School Nurse Election

Ms. Capano nominated Nensi Cirikic, RN to the position of school nurse.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Nensi Cirikic
Ms. Carrasco	Nensi Cirikic
Ms. Coppola	Nensi Cirikic
Mr. Ford	Nensi Cirikic
Ms. Gately	Nensi Cirikic

Mr. Nicholson                Nensi Cirikic  
Mayor Kennedy              Nensi Cirikic

Motion passed.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### 1. CSI Conference, NY

Ms. Capano provided an overview of her recent trip to the CSI Conference in New York regarding Professional Development programs. It was noted that the Conference recognized the Lynn School Department for their efforts in this area.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### 1. Net School Spending Update

Mayor Kennedy introduced Mr. Peter Caron, City Finance Officer, who gave an overview of the recent developments regarding the formulas used to determine Net School Spending. Mr. Caron answered questions from Committee members.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 1. Grants

Dr. Latham informed the Committee that Lynn has recently been awarded a grant for \$25,833.62 from the Gerondelis Foundation to purchase computer-related equipment. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education awarded Lynn a competitive grant totaling \$75,000. This grant will provide training in EKG and Phlebotomy and was written by LVTI Director Buontempo and Bonnie Carr.

### 2. Forsyth Dental – amendment to contract

The Mayor introduced the Director of Forsyth Dental, Kerry Maguire who provided an overview of the new services which will be included in the amendment.

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve the Forsyth Dental amendment contract which will include the use of X-rays for high school students when needed and also provide fillings for students at the Fecteau-Leary School when needed.

### 3. The Food Project – renewal of lease agreement

Ms. Capano made a motion to approve renewal of the lease with The Food Project starting March 1, 2017 through February 29, 2020 and all terms and conditions. Seconded.

## **Roll Call**

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

Motion passed.

### 4. Home Rule Petition for custodians - discussion and public comments.

Ms. Capano made a motion to suspend the rules to allow for public comment. Seconded.  
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

The following addressed the Committee and answered questions from Committee members:

Mr. Richard Germano, President of Local 1736  
Mr. Joseph Martin  
Attorney Lamanna, City Solicitor

Mr. Ford made a motion to reject the Home Rule Petition for Custodians as presented. Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Mr. Nicholson	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	No

Motion passed.

5. Vote to cancel the Fourth Regular School Committee meeting on February 23, 2017

Ms. Coppola made a motion to cancel the 4th Regular School Committee meeting of February 23, 2017 and March 9, 2017 and, schedule a Special meeting on March 2, 2017. Seconded.  
Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

6. Votes to submit Statements of Interest (SOI) to the MSBA for the Accelerated Repair Program for Shoemaker and Hood Elementary Schools

Ms. Capano made a motion: Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 16, 2017, the Lynn School Committee 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 February 17, 2017, for the Shoemaker Elementary School, located at 26 Regina Road, 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:

**Replacement of existing roof allowing for reduced heat loss, increased energy conservation and overall reduced energy consumption as a priority Statement of Interest for the MSBA Accelerate Repair Program for 2017.**

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 Lynn School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Seconded.

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Ms. Capano	Yes
Ms. Carrasco	Yes

Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Ford	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Mr. Nicholson	Yes
Mayor Kennedy	Yes

Motion passed.

Ms. Capano made a motion: Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 16, 2017, the Lynn School Committee 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 February 17, 2017, for the Hood Elementary School, located at 24 Oakwood Avenue 01902 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:

**Replacement of existing roof, windows and doors allowing for reduced heat loss, increased energy conservation and overall reduced energy consumption, as a priority Statement of Interest for the MSBA Accelerated Repair Program for 2017.**

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Seconded.

**Roll Call**

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

Motion passed.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. Enrollment Report – February 1, 2017
2. Mr. Ford, Committee designee, signed the warrant on February 2, 2017
3. Superintendent’s Report

The College Board announced that the Lynn Public Schools has earned a position on the 7th Annual AP District Honor Roll

Proposed new Lynn Charter School Application will not be brought to the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education this month

**PERSONNEL**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Teachers**

1. Christine Kotsakis, assigned to Reading at Tracy, paid Family Medical Leave of Absence eff. 4/21//17 through to end of the year June, 2017.

2. Jodi Carmody, assigned to Gr. 1 at Connery, paid Family Medical Leave of Absence eff. 4/13/17 through the end of the year June, 2017 using 49 days paid.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS - Teachers**

1. Gregg Bennett, reassigned to Itinerant Elementary Music, eff. 2/10/17. Certified.
2. John Kurkul, assigned to Special Ed. at Fecteau-Leary, eff. 1/27/17. Non Certified.
3. Ashlie Dragon, assigned to Long-Term Sub. Gr. 1 at Ford, eff. 1/30/17. Certified.
4. Bailey Bogart, assigned to ESL at Ingalls eff. 1/23/17. Non Certified.
5. Marika Witkus, assigned to Long-Term Sub. English at Marshall eff. 1/23/17. Non Certified.
6. Mary Brunell, assigned to Long-Term Sub. Gr. 5 at Tracy, eff. 1/20/17. Non Certified.
7. Gregory Rybak, assigned to Temp. Building Sub. at Marshall, eff. 1/23/17.

#### **RESIGNATIONS - Teachers**

1. Virginia Drislane, assigned to ESL Science at Breed, resignation eff. 2/3/17.
2. Garrett Wallace, assigned to Itinerant Elementary Music, resignation eff. 2/10/17.
3. Isabelle Bertolozzi, assigned to Temp. Building Sub. at Marshall, resignation eff. 1/19/17.

#### **RESIGNATION - Lunch Aides**

1. Gina Spiers, assigned to Lunch Aide at Hood, resignation eff. 2/1/17.

THOMAS P. IARROBINO  
Secretary of the School Committee

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Adopted: March 2, 2017