

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

Third Regular Meeting of the School Committee
School Committee Room
February 9, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Mr. Castellanos, Ms. Coppola, Mr. Dugan, Ms. Gately, Dr. Magnolia (via ZOOM), Mr. Pena, and Mayor Nicholson

In attendance: Ms. Ruggiero, Superintendent; Ms. Powers, Deputy Superintendent; Ms. Cohen, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. McHugh, School Business Administrator; Ms. Jules, Secretary of the School Committee; Attorney Greenspan; and Victoria Samuel, Student Representative

Mayor Nicholson presided.

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

IN MEMORIAM

A. Josephine Mahoney – retired clerk on January 19, 2023

MINUTES

- A. Policy Sub-Committee meeting on January 26, 2023
- B. Personnel Sub-Committee meeting on January 6, 2023
- C. Second Regular meeting on January 26, 2023

Member Coppola made a motion to accept the above minutes. Seconded.

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS/ELECTIONS

None

PRESENTATIONS

A. Curriculum updates:

1. ELA – Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary – Jacqui Gallo, Michelle Winslow, and Allison Mosho Hamilton
2. Math – Elementary and Secondary – Julie Ward and Kerri Altieri

Superintendent Ruggiero introduced Assistant Directors of Curriculum Jacqui Gallo, Michelle Winslow, Allison Mosho Hamilton, Julie Ward, and Kerri Altieri who updated the Committee on ELA and Math at all grade levels. Discussion ensued.

No vote taken.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Request to accept a donation of five portable white boards from Dr. Peter Meaney to Lynn Woods Elementary School.

Member Coppola made a motion to approve the above donation. Seconded.

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed.

B. Early College update – Shannon Gardner

Superintendent Ruggiero introduced Shannon Gardner who gave an update on Early College. Discussion ensued.

No vote taken.

Member Coppola made a motion to change the agenda order, and move Communications and Information before New Business C, and D. Seconded

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION

Superintendents Report

- Stop the Violence 8th Grade Speaker Series
- National School Counseling Week
- School visits

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

- C. Request for Executive Session for contract negotiations with non-union personnel – Attorney Howard Greenspan

Member Coppola made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the above reasons at 9:00 P.M. Seconded.

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed.

Member Coppola made a motion to return to Regular Session at 9:11 P.M. Seconded

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed.

H. Ratification of votes, if any, taken in Executive Session.

Member Coppola made a motion to extend the contract of employment for Attorney Howard Greenspan. Seconded.

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed.

Member Coppola made a motion to adjourn at 9:12 P.M. Seconded.

Roll Call Member	Vote
Mr. Castellanos	Yes
Ms. Coppola	Yes
Mr. Dugan	Yes
Ms. Gately	Yes
Dr. Magnolia	Yes
Mr. Pena	Yes
Mayor Nicholson	Yes

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Mary Jules, Secretary of the School Committee

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 Adopted: March 2, 2023