

Wachusett Regional School District Committee

Regular Meeting #1428

Monday, June 23, 2025

7:00 PM

Media Center - Wachusett Regional High School

1401 Main St. Holden, MA

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome Margaret Raymond Driscoll from Massachusetts Association of School Business Officials (MASBO)
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Executive Session to discuss:
 - A. Strategy for contract negotiations with all bargaining units as the chair deems a discussion in public session would have an adverse effect on the District's bargaining position.
- V. Chair's Opening Remarks
- VI. Student Representative's Report
- VII. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Discussion of Report
 1. School Choice update
 2. Capital Improvement update
 - B. Recommendations Requiring Action from the School Committee
 1. **Motion:** To ratify the contract between WRSD and the Wachusett Regional Paraprofessional Association (WRPA)
 2. **Motion:** To appoint the Superintendent as the representative of Wachusett Regional School District on the CAPS Board of Directors
 3. **Motion:** To approve the consent agenda:
 - a) **Motion:** To refer Policy 3311.1 - **Policy Related to Education - Graduation Requirements** to the Policy subcommittee
 - b) **Motion:** To refer Policy 3421 - **Policy Related to Education - Library/Media Services** to the Policy subcommittee
 - c) **Motion:** To refer Policy 7210 - **Policy Relating to Support Operations- Transportation Routes and Services** to the Policy subcommittee
 - d) **Motion:** To refer Policy 6312 **Policy Relating to Pupil Services - Regular Attendance Policy** to the Policy subcommittee

- e) **Motion:** To refer Policy 3313.1 **Policy Relating to Education - Parent Notification of Human Sexuality Issues** to the Policy subcommittee
- f) **Motion:** To refer the creation of a new policy on *In-district Transfers* to the Policy subcommittee
- g) **Motion:** To refer the creation of a new policy on Virtual School Participation in Extracurricular Activities to the Policy Subcommittee

VIII. **Secretary's Report**

- A. **Motion:** To Approve the Consent Agenda
 - 1. **Motion:** To approve the Regular Session Minutes of May 21, 2025
 - 2. **Motion:** To approve the Organizational Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2025
 - 3. **Motion:** To approve the Executive Session Minutes of May 21, 2025
 - 4. **Motion:** To approve the Special Session Minutes of June 9, 2025
 - 5. **Motion:** To accept several donations for the Pollinator Garden at Thomas Prince School
 - 6. **Motion:** To accept the WRHS Alumni 50th Reunion Scholarship
 - 7. **Motion:** To accept the Sue Tully Sage Study Abroad Scholarship
 - 8. **Motion:** To accept a donation from the Holden Woman's Club

IX. Committee Business

- A. **Motion:** To approve and adopt the Wachusett Regional School District Committee Member Handbook
- B. **Motion:** To refer Policy P1410 **Policy Relating to School Committee Operation - New Member Orientation** to the Policy Subcommittee

X. Treasurer's Report/Financial Statement

XII. Subcommittee Business

- A. Business/Finance Subcommittee (J.Brennan-Chair, K. Govardhan, D.Lorway, S.Poole, M.Wallace)
 - 1. **Motion:** To authorize the listed FY26 Revolving Funds in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Sect. 53E ½, to be expensed under the direction of the Superintendent of Schools (or designee), to be credited with receipts from acknowledged revenue sources, to be expended for their respective stated purposes, and not to exceed the authorized amounts.
 - 2. **Motion:** To authorize the listed FY26 Student Activity Funds in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 71 Sect. 47, for funds belonging to the students and not to the district or school control, to be credited with receipts from acknowledged revenue sources, to be expended for their respective stated purposes, and not to exceed the authorized amounts.
- B. Policy Subcommittee (B.Beardmore-Chair, B.Fisher, M.Gustafson, L.Kirshenbaum, A.Stoica)
- C. Legal Affairs Subcommittee (S.Runstrom-Chair, M.Gustafson, A.Stoica)
- D. Superintendent Goals and Evaluation Subcommittee (P.DuBois-Chair, B.Fisher, L.Kirshenbaum, M.Wallace, J.Winters)
- E. Facilities and Security Subcommittee (S.Poole-Chair, N.Borreson, B.Cline, K.Govardhan, J.Winters)

- F. Audit Advisory Board (L.Salmon-Garrett-Chair, J.Brennan-Vice-Chair)
- G. SEPAC Liaison Report (S.Runstrom, M.Wallace)
- H. School Council Reports:
 - Central Tree Middle School (B.Beardmore) , Chocksett Middle School (B.Cline),
 - Davis Hill Elementary School (S.Poole), Dawson Elementary School (B.Fisher),
 - Glenwood Elementary School (N.Borreson) , Houghton Elementary School
 - (J.Winters), Mayo Elementary School (M.Gustafson), Mountview Middle School
 - (L.Kirshenbaum) , Naquag Elementary School (K.Govardhan) , Paxton Center
 - School (S.Runstrom), Thomas Prince School (P.DuBois), Wachusett Regional High
 - School (J.Brennan), Early Childhood Center (L.Salmon-Garrett)

XIII. New Business

XIV. Adjournment.

The above agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.