

Wachusett Regional School District Committee

Regular Meeting #1410

Monday, July 8, 2024

7:00 PM

Media Center - Wachusett Regional High School

1401 Main St. Holden, MA

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Hearing
- III. Chair's Opening Remarks
- IV. **Motion:** To enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy for contract negotiations with all bargaining units, as well as discuss the FY25 contracts for Legal Services, as the chair deems a discussion in open session would adversely impact the District's bargaining position, and return to public session.
- V. Student Representative's Report
- VI. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Discussion of Report
 - B. Recommendations Requiring Action by the School Committee
 1. **Motion:** To appoint recommended legal firms as District Legal Counsel for the period of July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025
 2. **Motion:** To approve expenses incurred in connections with WRSDC Members to attend the 2024 MASC/MASS Joint Conference in Hyannis November November 6-9, 2024.
 3. **Motion:** To approve expenses incurred for Superintendent Reilly, or designee to attend the November November 6-9, 2024 MASC/MASS Joint Conference in Hyannis.
 4. **Motion:** To authorize the transfer of \$350,000 from the Salaries & Stipends Appropriation to the Special Ed Tuitions Appropriation.
 5. **Motion:** To authorize the transfer of \$300,000 from the Benefits & Insurance Appropriation to the Special Ed Tuitions Appropriation.
 6. **Motion:** To authorize the transfer of \$100,000 from the Instructional Support Appropriation to the Special Ed Tuitions Appropriation.
 7. **Motion:** To authorize the transfer of \$200,000 from the Instructional Support Appropriation to the Transportation Appropriation.
 8. **Motion:** To authorize the transfer of \$200,000 from the Operations & Maintenance Appropriation to the Transportation Appropriation.
 9. **Motion:** To authorize the listed FY25 Revolving Funds in accordance with M.G.L. C. 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.

10. **Motion:** To authorize the listed FY25 Student Activity Funds in accordance with M.G.L. C. 44, Sect. 53e ½, to be expended 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.
11. **Motion:** To ratify the contract between the Wachusett Regional School District (WRSD) and the Wachusett Administrators' Association (WAA).

VII. Unfinished Business

VIII. Secretary's Report
Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of April 29, 2024
- B. Approval of the Organizational Session Minutes of May 28, 2024
- C. Approval of the Regular Session Minutes of May 28, 2024
- D. Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of May 28, 2024
- E. Approval of the Regular Session Minutes of June 10, 2024
- F. Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of June 10, 2024

IX. Committee Business

- A. **Motion:** To amend Policy 6619: **Policy Related to Pupil Services: Life-Threatening Allergies** - second reading
- B. (Member Lorway) **Motion:** To ask Administration to provide the Committee with the definitions used by our special education administrators, psychologists and teachers of the following: reading difficulties, reading disability, and dyslexia.

X. Treasurer's Report/Financial Statement

XI. SEPAC Report

XII. Subcommittee Reports

- A. Policy Subcommittee (L. Kirshenbaum-Chair, J.Brennan, G.Kaminski, M.Lavoie, M.Wallace)
- B. Business/Finance Subcommittee (J. Brennan-Chair, B.Beardmore, M.Gustafson-Vice-Chair, L.Salmon-Garrett, L.Woodland)
- C. Legal Affairs Subcommittee (L. Salmon-Garrett-Chair, M.Gustafson Vice-Chair, S.Haber)
- D. Superintendent Goals and Evaluation Subcommittee (S. Poole-Chair, P.DuBois, L.Kirshenbaum, M.Wallace, J.Winters)
- E. Facilities and Security Subcommittee (L. Woodland-Chair, B.Beardmore Vice-Chair, D.Lorway, K.Ottmar, S.Poole)
 1. **Motion:** To refer the following policies to the Policy subcommittee for review:
 - [Policy 7161](#) - **Policy Related to Support Operations** - *Naming of School Property & Grounds*
 - [Policy 7159](#) - **Policy Related to Support Operations** - *Vandalism*

- [Policy 7211](#) - **Policy Related to Support Operations** - *Ridership*
2. **Motion:** To refer a proposed policy to the Policy subcommittee: “Capital Stabilization Fund,” based on a sample policy from Acton-Boxborough.
 3. **Motion:** To refer the following policies to the Facilities and Security subcommittee for review:
 - [Policy7131](#)- **Policy Related to Support Operations** - *Buildings & Ground Maintenance*
 - [Policy 7132](#) - **Policy Related to Support Operations** -*Maintenance, Repairs, Renovations*
 - [Policy 7151.1](#) - **Policy Related to Support Operations** - *Playground Safety*
 4. **Motion:** To refer a proposed policy to the Facilities and Security subcommittee: “Retirement of Facilities,” based on a sample policy from MASC.
- F. Audit Advisory Board (M. Lavoie-Chair)
- G. Ad Hoc Subcommittees
- H. School Council Reports:
- Central Tree Middle School (M.Lavoie), Chocksett Middle School (L.Woodland) Davis Hill Elementary School (S.Poole), Dawson Elementary School (M.Gustafson), Glenwood Elementary School (B.Beardmore), Houghton Elementary School (J.Winters), Mayo Elementary School (L.Salmon-Garrett), Mountview Middle School (L.Kirshenbaum), Naquag Elementary School (S.Haber), Paxton Center School (K.Ottmar), Thomas Prince School (P.DuBois), Wachusett Regional High School (J.Brennan), Special Education Parent Advisory Council (S.Runstrom/M.Lavoie), Early Childhood Center (M.Wallace)

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.