

MINUTES OF THE LINCOLN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
March 10, 2016
8:00 a.m.
Hartwell Multipurpose Room, Ballfield Road, Lincoln, MA

OPEN SESSION

Present: Jennifer Glass (Chairperson), Tim Christenfeld (Vice Chairperson), Peter Borden (Member), Jena Salon (Member), Al Schmertzler (Member), and Laurel Wironen (Hanscom Educational Liaison). Also present: Rebecca McFall (Superintendent), Buckner Creel (Administrator for Business and Finance).

Absent: Predita Cedeno (METCO Representative), Patricia Kinsella (Assistant Superintendent), Linda Chase (Interim Administrator for Student Services), and Rob Ford (Director of Technology).

1. Greetings and Call to Order
Ms. Glass, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:59 a.m.
2. Chairperson's and Members' Reports
None.
3. Public Comments
None.
4. Consent Agenda
None.
5. Time Scheduled Appointments
 - 5.1 Review of Draft Statement of Interest (SOI) to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) for the Lincoln School

Mr. Creel reviewed the updates that were made to the 2015 Statement of Interest to reflect the work of the Campus Master Planning Committee and facility repairs and updates that have taken place in the past year.

The updated Statement of Interest for 2016 will be submitted to the Board of Selectmen for review and approval following the March 19, 2016 Town Meeting if Warrant Article 28 is approved representing the Town's support of submitting a Statement of Interest to the MSBA in 2016.

The Committee reviewed a draft cover letter that will be included with the Statement of Interest. Mr. Borden provided recommendations for revisions of the letter to place the focus on values, educational benefits, and the work the community has carried out to come to consensus about the need for a comprehensive renovation project.

5.2 Review Updates to the EDCO Articles of Agreement

Superintendent McFall reviewed the proposed updates to the EDCO Articles of Agreement. Proposed changes include removing references to the Wellesley Public Schools due to their withdrawal from the collaborative and changing the date by which a district must provide written notice of the intent to withdraw from December 31st to July first of the prior year.

The Committee verified that the threshold for approving a districts withdrawal from the collaborative is 2/3 and not a unanimous vote of all member districts.

5.3 Discussion of Town Meeting Warrant Articles Presentation

Ms. Glass brought a draft slide presentation related to Warrant Articles 28 and 29 for review and discussion. Ms. Glass previewed the slides and her verbal presentation for the committee soliciting input and recommendations. Committee members and the administration provided suggestions for revisions. Ms. Glass will provide an updated draft to the Committee for review.

6. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent McFall reported that authorization of the fifth year of the Hanscom contract has been received.

Superintendent McFall asked the School Committee to change the date of the annual Strategic Planning session from May 10, 2016 to May 24, 2016 from 8am – 11am due to the revised state assessment schedule. The Committee agreed to the date change.

7. Curriculum None.

8. Policy None.

9. Facilities and Financial 9.1 Warrant Approval

Mr. Christenfeld moved that the Warrant be approved as presented by Mr. Schmertzler, Ms. Salon seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

10. Old Business
None.
11. New Business
Jennifer Glass made a motion to approve the contract agreement with the Secretarial Association that will be in effect July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. Al Scmertzler seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
12. Approval of Minutes
Ms. Glass moved that the minutes of the October 8, 2015 School Committee meeting be approved as presented. Mr. Christenfeld seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
13. Information Enclosures
No comments.
14. Adjournment
Ms. Glass moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 a.m. Mr. Christenfeld seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
15. Executive Session
None.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca McFall
Superintendent