

**LITTLE COMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LITTLE COMPTON, RHODE ISLAND
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: March 16, 2016
Place: 28 Commons
 Open Session in School Commons Area
 Little Compton, RI 02837

MINUTES

Time: 7:00 p.m. Open Session (Held in School Commons Area)

Tom Allder; School Committee Chair	Present
Lori Craffey; School Committee Co-Chair	Present
Patrick McHugh; School Committee Secretary	Present
Polly Allen; School Committee Member	Present
Peg Bugara; School Committee Member	Present
Robert Power; Interim Superintendent	Present
John McNamee; Business Manager	Present
Carolyn Sedgwick; Assistant to Superintendent	Present
Kevin McAllister; Attorney	Present

1. Call to Order: Open Meeting	The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	The pledge was taken.
3. Consider and Vote on Consent Agenda Items ^{1*} 3.1. Minutes, February 4 and 23, 2016 3.2. Bills and Payroll* 3.3. Enrollment	On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by L. Craffey The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE
4. Correspondence 4.1. Thank you note from Patriot Committed Students	Committee Chair acknowledged thank you from Patriot Committed Students.
5. Public Input (on Agenda Items)	No public input.
6. Spotlights on Excellence	L. Craffey spoke about the Seussical and thanked Nicole Oriol for putting on the production.

¹ Consent Agenda items will be voted upon by a single vote.

Consent Agenda-All items listed with an asterisk () are considered to be routine by the School Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member so requests in which event the item will be withdrawn from the General Order of business and considered in the normal sequence on the agenda.

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<p>6.1. Seussical – N. Oriol 6.2. Achieve 3000</p>	<p>N. Oriol spoke about the show and praised student and community involvement. P. Bugara enjoyed seeing students bonding over the production. J. Arruda thanked N. Oriol for bringing the play to WMS. N. Oriol announced that next year’s play will be Disney’s Alice in Wonderland.</p> <p>J. Arruda gave presentation on the Achieve 3000 literacy program. P. Bugara asked Mr. Arruda to find out if the company has access to student assessments. P. Allen provided more information about the program via student experience. P. Bugara would like to ask someone from Portsmouth to come to a meeting and talk about it.</p>
<p>7. Superintendent Report 7.1. Update on Regional Preschool Program 7.2. Update on Strategic Planning 7.3. Committee 7.4. Update to School Calendar for 2015-2016 7.5. School Calendar for 2016-2017</p>	<p>R. Power provided update on Preschool Program.</p> <p>R. Power and T. Allder provided update on Strategic Planning.</p> <p>R. Power presented updated 15-16 School Calendar.</p> <p>R. Power presented the 16-17 School Calendar.</p>
<p>8. Finance Report: J. McNamee 8.1. Finance Report</p>	<p>J. McNamee presented the Finance Report.</p>
<p>9. Committee Reports 9.1. Portsmouth School Committee - P. Allen 9.2. Recreation Committee - P. McHugh 9.3. Health and Wellness – P. Bugara 9.4. Policy Sub-Committee – L. Craffey 9.4.1. Technology Acceptable Use Policy 9.4.2. Substitute Policy</p>	<p>P. Allen reported on the Portsmouth School Committee. P. McHugh reported on the Recreation Committee. P. Bugara reported on the Wellness Committee. L. Craffey identified two policies that will be reviewed and/or updated by the Policy Sub-Committee: 1. Technology Acceptable Use Policy 2. Substitute Policy</p>
<p>10. Personnel 10.1. Maternity Leave Extension Request 10.2. Appointment of Lacrosse Coaches</p>	<p>The Committee will review the maternity leave extension request and selection of lacrosse coaches during Action Items.</p>

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<p>11. Discussion Items</p> <p>11.1. Use of space within school by outside agencies (P. Allen Agenda Request)</p> <p>11.2. Presidential Awards for Educational Excellence and Achievement at graduation</p> <p>11.3. Disposal of Unused Assets</p> <p>11.4. Job Description for Superintendent</p>	<p>P. Allen presented her thoughts on use of space within the school for organizations that support the school.</p> <p>T. Allder suggested the committee take a broad look at organizations that would want this.</p> <p>L. Craffey suggested the policy sub-committee explore this idea and develop a policy for the committee to review.</p> <p>J. Arruda talked about awards given at graduation, including two new awards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presidential Ward for Educational Excellence 2. Presidential Award for Achievement <p>L. Craffey looked at policy and this does not require a vote unless the committee desires otherwise.</p> <p>On a motion by L. Craffey, Seconded by P. McHugh, It was voted to move Agenda Item 11.4, Job Description for Superintendent to be discussed along with Action Item 12.11.</p> <p>Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p>
<p>12. Action Items</p> <p>12.1. Consider and vote to approved maternity extension request</p> <p>12.2. Consider and vote on chaperones for DC Trip</p> <p>12.3. Consider and vote on Yale Field Trip (exceeds 100 mile radius)</p> <p>12.4. Consider and vote on matching funds (\$5,000) for anti-bullying program</p> <p>12.5. Consider and vote to allocate Reserve Funds</p> <p>12.6. Consider and vote to approve closure of school on April 26, 2016 for Presidential Preference Primary</p> <p>12.7. Consider and vote to approve School Calendar for 2016-2017</p> <p>12.8. Consider and vote on disposal of unused assets</p> <p>12.9. Consider and vote on appointment</p>	<p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by L. Craffey It was voted to approve the maternity extension request.</p> <p>Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>No vote is needed for DC Chaperones.</p> <p>On a motion by L. Craffey Seconded by P. McHugh It was voted to Postpone the vote to approve DC chaperones indefinitely.</p> <p>Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by P. Bugara</p>

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<p>of lacrosse coaches.</p> <p>12.10. Consider and vote to appoint Superintendent Search Sub-committee</p> <p>12.11. Consider and vote on Superintendent Job Description</p>	<p>It was voted to approve the Yale field trip. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by T. Allder It was voted to match funds (\$5000) for anti-bullying program, Open Circle for K-3. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: RECUSED FROM VOTE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by L. Craffey It was voted to allocate \$100k of reserve funds to future capital enhancements to the building. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by L. Craffey It was voted to allocate \$100k of reserve funds to unanticipated special education expenses. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by L. Craffey It was voted to close school for the Presidential Preference Primary on April 26, 2016, with a special notice to be sent out to school community. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by L. Craffey Seconded by T. Allder</p>
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	<p>It was voted 4-1 to approve the 16-17 Calendar as presented. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: OPPOSED Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by L. Craffey Seconded by P. McHugh It was voted to dispose of unused assets. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by L. Craffey It was voted to appoint J. Arkins and P. Morse as lacrosse coaches. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>T. Allder appointed the following individuals to the Superintendent Search Sub-Committee: L. Craffey* P. McHugh H. Fitzgerald V. Talbot J. Arruda R. Mushen C. Aguiar C. Comley</p> <p>*L. Craffey appointed as chair of sub-committee.</p> <p>On a motion by P. McHugh Seconded by T. Allder It was voted to approve Superintendent Job Description to be posted immediately for a duration of two weeks. MOTION WITHDRAWN</p> <p>On a motion by T. Allder Seconded by L. Craffey It was voted to delete minimum qualification</p>
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	<p>#7 from the superintendent job description. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p> <p>On a motion by L. Craffey Seconded by P. McHugh It was voted to approve the Superintendent job description as amended, to be posted immediately and for a duration of two weeks. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p>
<p>13. Public Input (non-agenda items) Public input on school-related non-agenda items will be limited to three minutes per individual.</p>	<p>J. Allen, South of Commons, asked about Dr. Power's status as it relates to the selection process for Superintendent.</p>
<p>14. Adjourn</p> <p>14.1. Consider and vote on Motion to Adjourn</p> <p>14.2. Next School Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 7:00pm in the School Commons Area.</p>	<p>On a motion by P. Bugara Seconded by L. Craffey The meeting was adjourned at 9:19pm. Allder: AFFIRMATIVE Craffey: AFFIRMATIVE McHugh: AFFIRMATIVE Allen: AFFIRMATIVE Bugara: AFFIRMATIVE</p>