

MINUTES
WEST WARWICK SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MAY 12, 2015
JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL
WEBSTER KNIGHT DRIVE
5:30 P.M.

This meeting was called to order by Stephen H. Lawton, Chairperson.

Members Present:

Stephen Lawton, Chairperson
Christopher Messier, Vice-Chairperson
Rene Coutu, Clerk
Patricia Keenan
Luis Colon

School Committee

Attorney Present:

Aubrey Lombardo

Administrators Present:

Karen Tarasevich, Superintendent of Schools
James Monti, Director of Educational Reform,
Compliance and Technology
Jessica Perry, Maisie Quinn School Administrator/
Assistant to the Director of Special Education
Keith Remillard, Principal, Wakefield Hills
Elementary School
Joseph Spagna, Director of Financial Operations
Philip Solomon, Principal, West Warwick High
School
Kenneth Townsend, Director of Property Services
Paul Vigeant, Director of Special Education and Pupil/
Personnel Services

Recording Secretary:

Michelle M. Colozzo

1. Open Session

Open Session

Mr. Lawton opened the meeting at 5:35 P.M.

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2. Roll Call

Roll Call

The following members were present: Mr. Lawton, Mr. Coutu, Mrs. Keenan, and Mr. Colon. Mr. Messier was absent at roll call.

3. Motion to go into Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive Session according to RI General Laws 42-46-4 and 42-46-5, Subsection (a) Paragraphs 1 and 2

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ACCORDING TO RI GENERAL LAWS 42-46-4 AND 42-46-5, SUBSECTION (a), PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2. Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Christopher Messier, Patricia Keenan, Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

4. Executive Session

Executive Session

- a) Personnel
 - b) Contracts
- Council 94 Negotiations Update**

The School Committee met in Executive Session.

5. Open Session

Open Session

Mr. Lawton opened the public session at 6:30 P.M.

6. Roll Call

Roll Call

The following members were present: Mr. Lawton, Mr. Messier, Mr. Coutu, Mrs. Keenan, and Mr. Colon.

7. Reading of Mission Statement

Reading of Mission Statement

Mr. Messier read the Mission Statement of the West Warwick Public Schools.

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The West Warwick Public Schools, in partnership with the entire community, is dedicated to providing all learners with access and opportunity to a challenging comprehensive education while developing 21st Century Skills in a safe, personalized learning environment.

8. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Colon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

9. Motion to Close Executive Session Minutes

Motion to Close Executive Session Minutes

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CLOSE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

10. Student Representative

Student Representative

Jadiana Trochez, President of the Student Council, reported on recent and upcoming activities at West Warwick High School including the following:

- On May 1st, the last blood drive of the year was held. Sixty pints were collected, saving 180 lives. They have had successful drives collecting 205 pints, saving 1516 lives.
- They recently held elections for next year.
- Last week was School Spirit Week, ending with the annual class Olympics on Friday, May 8th.
- The junior class won the Class Olympics.
- The junior prom was held on Saturday, May 9th, at Mystic Aquarium, and the post-prom was held at West Warwick High School—both events were successful.

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- The annual barbecue and movie night will be held on Friday, May 22nd.
- The senior prom will be held on May 29th, at the Atlantic Beach Club from 7 to 11 P.M.
- The school year was very successful and is ending on a great note.

11. Audience of Citizens

Audience of Citizens

None.

12. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson's Report

Mr. Lawton said last night, we had the Senior Award Night and the National Honor Society Induction Night. Chris Messier represented the School Committee and did an excellent job up on stage. Everyone was watching the best West Warwick has to offer.

Mr. Lawton said earlier last month, we were fortunate enough to host a Future Ready Summit—Donna Walker and Sodexo put out a spread that was very impressive, and also Ken Townsend made the school cafeteria turn into something out of a magazine—it was great to be part of it. Mrs. Tarasevich told us there was a second summit and they are still raving about us. She said they left West Warwick to go to San Diego, and the comments were that the others are fine, but no one came close to what we had here. Mr. Lawton said we do a lot of good things that are never in the paper—this was really good—the governor's husband was here, and nothing was in the paper.

13. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Tarasevich said she wanted to reiterate Mr. Lawton's comments about the summit and thank Donna Walker and Kenny Townsend as well as Joe Lancellotta and student Dan Perry from the high school. She doesn't know about how many hours he

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didn't stop—she wants to thank him for his help—it was really above and beyond for everyone.

Mrs. Tarasevich said the junior prom was last weekend, and she thanked the class advisors, Richard Grenier and Wayne Brusseau—it takes a lot of time and energy. The kids were well behaved; they looked like movie stars. Mrs. Tarasevich said she wanted to thank everyone who was involved, the administration, for a fun, safe event for the kids—thank you to Mr. Solomon and company for that. Mrs. Tarasevich said it's a busy time of year and everyone is working hard, wrapping up and planning for next year, but it's the best time of year because we get to celebrate our successes.

14. Consent Agenda

a) **Approval: Executive Session Minutes: April 7, 2015**

b) **Approval: Open Session Minutes: April 7, 2015**

c) **Approval: Special Meeting Executive Session Minutes: April 28, 2015**

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e) **Approval: Payment of Bills: \$1,108,094.15**

f) **Approval: Home Instruction Plans**

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MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER
THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE**

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THE CONSENT AGENDA. Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

15. **Presentation: School Calendar (Wakefield Hills Elementary School Students—Enrichment Program)**

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Mrs. Tarasevich said we are so lucky to have students from Mrs. Andre's class from Wakefield Hills Saturday Enrichment Program. Mrs. Tarasevich said these students participated on their own time and effort with their parents' help in getting them there.

Mrs. Tarasevich said the school calendar has been a hot topic, and the students in the enrichment program chose it as their topic to do research and develop the presentation they will do tonight. Mrs. Tarasevich thanked the students and their families for being here and thanked the students for choosing this topic. She said their work will be very important in our conversations in deciding whether to change our calendar—thank you for doing some of our work for us. At this point, Mrs. Tarasevich turned it over to Mrs. Andre.

Mrs. Andre said she teaches sixth grade at Deering Middle School, and she taught the eight week enrichment program at Wakefield Hills. She said it's been a pleasure; everybody has been amazing. She said one of her sixth graders, Tyler, helped her out, and the students worked super hard.

The students spoke about the different areas of their project: interviewing the Superintendent and Director of Property Services, contacting other school districts, and surveying parents and teachers about different school calendar options.

The School Committee thanked the students for their presentation.

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16. Approval: Change of Date: June School Committee Meeting

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Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the change of date for the June School Committee meeting from June 9th to June 2nd.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE JUNE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING FROM JUNE 9TH TO JUNE 2ND. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

17. Approval: Bid Award

Approval: Bid Award: Fire Sprinkler System – West Warwick High School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the bid award submitted by Delta Mechanical Contractors, LLC, of 44 Wilclar Street, Warwick, RI, to purchase a fire sprinkler system for West Warwick High School in the amount of \$435,000.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE BID AWARD SUBMITTED BY DELTA MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, LLC, OF 44 WILCLAR STREET, WARWICK, RI, TO PURCHASE A FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM FOR WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$435,000. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu, for discussion

Mr. Messier asked if this was just for the high school, and Mr. Lawton said yes.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, Rene Coutu,

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Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

18. Approval: Bid Award Approval: Bid Award: Doors – Maisie E. Quinn School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the bid award submitted by M & J Construction, of 9 Zoar Street, Johnston, RI, for the purchase and installation of classroom doors at Maisie E. Quinn School, in the amount of \$112,405.00.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE BID AWARD SUBMITTED BY M & J CONSTRUCTION, OF 9 ZOAR STREET, JOHNSTON, RI, FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CLASSROOM DOORS AT MAISIE E. QUINN SCHOOL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112,405.00. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan, for discussion.

Mr. Messier asked if this includes outside doors, and Mr. Townsend said this is strictly inside doors.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

19. Approval: Bid Award Approval: Bid Award: Handrails and Guards – District

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the bid award submitted by Coletta Contracting of 83 Power Road, Pawtucket, RI, for the purchase and installation of handrails and guards for the district in the amount of \$285,000.00.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE BID AWARD SUBMITTED BY COLETTA CONTRACTING, OF 83 POWER ROAD,

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PAWTUCKET, RI, FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF HANDRAILS AND GUARDS FOR THE DISTRICT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$285,000.00. Motion seconded by Christopher Messier. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Christopher Messier, Patricia Keenan, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

20. Approval: Bid Award

Approval: Bid Award: Bleachers – John F. Deering Middle School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the bid award submitted by Robert H. Lord Company, 220 Chapel Road, Manchester, CT, for the purchase of gym bleachers for John F. Deering Middle School in the amount of \$26,853.00.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE BID AWARD SUBMITTED BY ROBERT H. LORD COMPANY, 220 CHAPEL ROAD, MANCHESTER, CT, FOR THE PURCHASE OF GYM BLEACHERS FOR JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,853.00. Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

**21. Discussion/Approval:
First Reading:
Revised Attendance
Policy**

Discussion/Approval: First Reading: Revised Attendance Policy

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee have a discussion and approval of the first reading of the revised attendance policy for West Warwick High School. Mrs. Tarasevich said the changes you see, the re-writes, are a much more positive approach, rewarding students for working hard and giving them more opportunity to earn their way back.

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Mrs. Tarasevich said she applauds the administration and the staff for their work on the revised policy as well as their insight into the positive behavior it reinforces.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF THE REVISED ATTENDANCE POLICY FOR WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL. Motion seconded by Luis Colon, for discussion.

Mr. Lawton said he thought it was really great that Mr. Solomon took input from the kids. Mr. Solomon said it was great collaboration between the students, parents, administrators, faculty, and secretaries.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

22. Discussion/Approval: First Reading: Responsible Use of Technology Policy

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Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee have a discussion and approval of the first reading of the Responsible Use of Technology Policy. She noted that even though we have had technology for years, this is the first year of the one to one initiative which prompted formulation of this policy.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF TECHNOLOGY POLICY. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

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**23. Discussion/Approval:
First Reading:
Revised Insurance
Policy**

**Discussion/Approval: First Reading: Revised
Insurance Policy:**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee have a discussion/approval of the first reading of the revised insurance policy for all students and personnel of West Warwick Public Schools. The existing policy states all student-athletes must purchase school insurance which up to this year hasn't been more than a few dollars. This year there was a significant bump so if students were purchasing our insurance, it went up to \$200 for football players. This policy states if students have their own insurance, they don't have to purchase the student insurance.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF THE REVISED INSURANCE POLICY. Motion seconded by Christopher Messier, for discussion.

Mr. Messier asked if we are asking them to sign a waiver if they have their own insurance, and Mrs. Tarasevich said yes. Mr. Messier asked there are no legal ramifications, and Mrs. Tarasevich said no.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

**24. Approval: Out-of-
State Field Trips**

Approval: Out-of-State Field Trips

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the out-of-state field trip for the West Warwick High School AP Art Students to Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts, May 15, 2015.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP REQUEST FOR THE WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL

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AP ART STUDENTS TO MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, MAY 15, 2015. Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the out-of-state field trip for John F. Horgan Elementary School Grade 3 students to Mystic Aquarium, Mystic, Connecticut, May 22, 2015.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP FOR JOHN F. HORGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADE 3 STUDENTS TO MYSTIC AQUARIUM, MYSTIC, CONNECTICUT, MAY 22, 2015. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the out-of-state field trip for John F. Deering Middle School Grade 5 students to Mystic Aquarium, Mystic, Connecticut, June 1, 2015.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP FOR JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADE 5 STUDENTS TO MYSTIC AQUARIUM, MYSTIC, CONNECTICUT, JUNE 1, 2015. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Christopher Messier, Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the out-of-state field trip for

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John F. Deering Middle School Grade 8 students to Six Flags, New England, Agawam, Massachusetts, June 8, 2015.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP FOR JOHN F.

DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADE 8 STUDENTS TO SIX FLAGS, NEW ENGLAND, AGAWAM, MASSACHUSETTS, JUNE 8, 2015.

Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the out-of-state field trip for Greenbush Grade 4 students to Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut, June 12, 2015.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP REQUEST FOR GREENBUSH GRADE 4 STUDENTS TO MYSTIC SEAPORT, MYSTIC, CONNECTICUT, JUNE 12, 2015. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

25. Approval: Parental Leave

Approval: Parental Leave Extension: English Teacher – West Warwick High School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee approve the parental leave extension of Lisa Narcisi-Stewart, English teacher, at West Warwick High School through the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE PARENTAL LEAVE EXTENSION SUBMITTED BY LISA NARCISI-STEWART, ENGLISH TEACHER AT WEST WARWICK

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HIGH SCHOOL, THROUGH THE END OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

26. Acceptance of Resignation for Retirement Purposes

Acceptance of Resignation for Retirement Purposes: Director of Special Education and Pupil/Personnel Services

Mrs. Tarasevich said it is with great regret that she recommends that the School Committee accept the resignation for retirement purposes from Paul Vigeant, Director of Special Education and Pupil/Personnel Services, effective at the end of the day on February 12, 2016. Mrs. Tarasevich said she doesn't even know where to begin when she says with regret because Mr. Vigeant is such an integral part of so much that happens in the school department. He will be sorely missed and his shoes will be hard to fill. Mrs. Tarasevich said several years ago, the district was in financial distress when many folks were asked to step to the table and take on additional responsibilities. Besides being the Special Education Director, Mr. Vigeant also took on the responsibilities of Director of Human Resources and Pupil/Personnel Services.

Mrs. Tarasevich said at the time, we had 60 plus students in out-of-district placements. Mr. Vigeant brought students back to the district and saved the town millions of dollars and developed programs to serve the students, in-district, far better than what they would get in outside placements. Mrs. Tarasevich said Mr. Vigeant will be missed.

The School Committee thanked and applauded Mr. Vigeant.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY PATRICIA KEENAN THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES FROM PAUL VIGEANT,

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DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL/PERSONNEL SERVICES EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE DAY ON FEBRUARY 12, 2016. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

27. Acceptance of Resignation

Acceptance of Resignation: Part-Time Teacher Assistant – Wakefield Hills Elementary School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee accept the resignation from Bianca Silvestri, Part-Time Teacher Assistant at Wakefield Hills Elementary School, effective at the end of the day on May 8, 2015.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FROM BIANCA SILVESTRI, PART-TIME TEACHER ASSISTANT AT WAKEFIELD HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE DAY ON MAY 8, 2015. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

28. Consent to Superintendent's Appointments

Consent to Superintendent's Appointments

- a) Kindergarten Teacher – John F. Horgan Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Lindsey Genovesi to the position of Kindergarten Teacher at John F. Horgan Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

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MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF LINDSEY GENOVESI TO THE POSITION OF KINDERGARTEN TEACHER AT JOHN F. HORGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE START OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion seconded by Luis Colon, for discussion.

Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Lindsey Genovesi's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Lindsey Genovesi.

b) Grade 1 Teacher – John F. Horgan Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Jessica Singleton to the position of Grade 1 teacher at John F. Horgan Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JESSICA SINGLETON TO THE POSITION OF GRADE 1 TEACHER AT JOHN F. HORGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE START OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan, for discussion.

Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Jessica Singleton's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Christopher Messier, Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan,

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Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Jessica Singleton.

c) Grade 3 Teacher – John F. Horgan Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Victoria Ahrens to the position of Grade 3 Teacher at John F. Horgan Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF VICTORIA AHRENS TO THE POSITION OF GRADE 3 TEACHER AT JOHN F. HORGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE START OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu, for discussion.

Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Victoria Ahrens's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Victoria Ahrens.

d) Grade 3 Teacher – Greenbush Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Dyana Richmond to the position of

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Grade 3 Teacher at Greenbush Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF DYANA RICHMOND TO THE POSITION OF GRADE 3 TEACHER AT GREENBUSH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE START OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR. Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan, for discussion.

Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Dyana Richmond's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Dyana Richmond.

e) Primary Special Education (K and 1) Teacher – Wakefield Hills Elementary School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Gina Tavares to the position of Primary Special Education (K and 1) teacher at Wakefield Hills Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF GINA TAVARES TO THE POSITION OF PRIMARY SPECIAL EDUCATION (K AND 1) TEACHER AT WAKEFIELD HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE START OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR. Motion seconded by Christopher Messier, for discussion.

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Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Gina Tavares's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Gina Tavares.

**f) Long-Term Substitute Grade 4 Teacher –
Wakefield Hills Elementary School (FUNDING
SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Veronica Seeram to the position of Long-Term Substitute Grade 4 Teacher at Wakefield Hills Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER
THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE
ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE
APPOINTMENT OF VERONICA SEERAM TO
THE POSITION OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE
GRADE 4 TEACHER AT WAKEFIELD HILLS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE AT THE
START OF THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR.**

Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan, for discussion.

Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Veronica Seeram's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Veronica Seeram.

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g) Long-Term Substitute Grade 4 Teacher – John F. Horgan Elementary School

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Matthew Healey to the position of Long-Term Substitute Grade 4 Teacher at John F. Horgan Elementary School.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY PATRICIA KEENAN THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW HEALEY TO THE POSITION OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE GRADE 4 TEACHER AT JOHN F. HORGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Motion seconded by Christopher Messier, for discussion.

Mr. Vigeant said Mr. Healey was not present.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, Christopher Messier, Patricia Keenan, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

h) Full-Time Teacher Assistant/Interpreter (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Yohana Casasola to the position of Full-Time Teacher Assistant/Interpreter at John F. Horgan Elementary School.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF YOHANA CASASOLA TO THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME TEACHER ASSISTANT/ INTERPRETER AT JOHN F. HORGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Motion seconded by Rene Coutu, for discussion.

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Mr. Vigeant provided information regarding Yohana Casasola's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Patricia Keenan, Christopher Messier, Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Yohana Casasola.

Reappointments:

- i) Band Director – West Warwick High School
(FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- j) Two (2) Choral Co-Directors at West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- k) Freshman Class Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- l) Sophomore Class Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- m) Two (2) Junior Class Co-Advisors at West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- n) Senior Class Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- o) School Newspaper Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- p) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – John F. Deering Middle School (FUNDING SOURCE: YMCA)**
- q) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – John F. Horgan Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

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- r) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: S.M.I.L.E.)**
- s) Italian Club Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- t) Spanish Club Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- u) French Club Advisor – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- v) Proficiency-Based Summer School Director/Ramp-Up Coordinator – Secondary (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- w) ESY Coordinator (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- x) Art (PK-12) Coordinator (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- y) Grade 5 Grade Leader (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- z) Grade 6 Grade Leader (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- aa) Grade 7 Grade Leader (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- bb) Grade 8 Grade Leader (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- cc) Guidance Services (PK-12) Coordinator (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- dd) Industrial Technology (5-12) Department Head (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

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- ee) Music (PK-12) Coordinator (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- ff) Nursing and Health Services Coordinator (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- gg) Physical Education and Health (PK-12) (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- hh) Special Education (5-8) Grade Leader (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- ii) World Languages (5-12) Department Head (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- jj) Pre-Kindergarten Lead Teacher (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- kk) Kindergarten Lead Teacher – Greenbush Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- ll) Greenbush Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- mm) Grade 4 Lead Teacher – Greenbush Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- nn) Grade 1 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

- oo) Grade 2 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

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- pp) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE:
LOCAL)**
- qq) Kindergarten Lead Teacher – Wakefield
Hills Elementary School (FUNDING
SOURCE: LOCAL)**
- rr) Grade 1 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE:
LOCAL)**
- ss) Grade 2 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE:
LOCAL)**
- tt) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE:
LOCAL)**
- uu) Grade 4 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE:
LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the reappointments listed in Agenda Item Numbers 28i through uu.

- i) Band Director – West Warwick High School:
Metro Narcisi III**
- j) Two (2) Choral Co-Directors at West Warwick
High School: Brian Hopkins and Richard
Marchetti**
- k) Freshman Class Advisor – West Warwick High
School: Harry Ryan, Jr.**
- l) Sophomore Class Advisor – West Warwick High
School: Richard Marchetti**

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- m) Two (2) Junior Class Co-Advisors at West Warwick High School: Wayne Brusseau and Richard Grenier
- n) Senior Class Advisor – West Warwick High School: Christopher Baccei
- o) School Newspaper Advisor – West Warwick High School: Eric White
- p) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – John F. Deering Middle School: Christopher Baccei and Eugene Gallo
- q) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – John F. Horgan Elementary School: Maria DePalma and Amy Horne
- r) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – West Warwick High School: Nelson DaSilva and Eugene Gallo
- s) Italian Club Advisor – West Warwick High School: Rosario Tramontana
- t) Spanish Club Advisor – West Warwick High School: Luciana Borges
- u) French Club Advisor – West Warwick High School: Joan Machado
- v) Proficiency-Based Summer School
Director/Ramp-Up Coordinator – Secondary:
Joseph Biscelli
- w) ESY Coordinator: Melissa Frenette
- x) Art (PK-12) Coordinator: Tracy Lefort
- y) Grade 5 Grade Leader: Kristin Tuttle

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- z) Grade 6 Grade Leader: Mark Maziarz
- aa) Grade 7 Grade Leader: Colleen Pigott
- bb) Grade 8 Grade Leader: Cathy Boutin
- cc) Guidance Services (PK-12) Coordinator: Karen Moniz
- dd) Industrial Technology (5-12) Department Head: Sean Doyle
- ee) Music (PK-12) Coordinator: Richard Marchetti
- ff) Nursing and Health Services Coordinator: Marilyn Johnson
- gg) Physical Education and Health Coordinator: Maureen Sheridan
- hh) Special Education (5-8) Grade Leader: Cynthia Wahl
- ii) World Languages (5-12) Department Head: John Giovanelli
- jj) Pre-Kindergarten Lead Teacher: Marie Caswell
- kk) Kindergarten Lead Teacher – Greenbush Elementary School: Alyson Satchell
- ll) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – Greenbush Elementary School: Ana Parry
- mm) Grade 4 Lead Teacher – Greenbush Elementary School: Christopher Allen

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- nn) Grade 1 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School: Sandra Cappelli
- oo) Grade 2 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School: Kathleen Winslow
- pp) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School: Jennifer Cook-Spadoni
- qq) Kindergarten Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Diane Tourangeau
- rr) Grade 1 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Joanne Pigott
- ss) Grade 2 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: William Nero
- tt) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Susan Emerson
- uu) Grade 4 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Lynn Tocco

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE REAPPOINTMENTS LISTED IN AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS 28i. THROUGH uu.

- i) **Band Director – West Warwick High School: Metro Narcisi III**
- j) **Two (2) Choral Co-Directors at West Warwick High School: Brian Hopkins and Richard Marchetti**
- k) **Freshman Class Advisor – West Warwick High School: Harry Ryan, Jr.**

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- l) Sophomore Class Advisor – West Warwick High School: Richard Marchetti**
- m) Two (2) Junior Class Co-Advisors at West Warwick High School: Wayne Brusseau and Richard Grenier**
- n) Class Advisor – West Warwick High School: Christopher Baccei**
- o) School Newspaper Advisor – West Warwick High School: Eric White**
- p) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – John F. Deering Middle School: Christopher Baccei and Eugene Gallo**
- q) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – John F. Horgan Elementary School: Maria DePalma and Amy Horne**
- r) Two (2) S.M.I.L.E. Leaders – West Warwick High School: Nelson DaSilva and Eugene Gallo**
- s) Italian Club Advisor – West Warwick High School: Rosario Tramontana**
- t) Spanish Club Advisor – West Warwick High School: Luciana Borges**
- u) French Club Advisor – West Warwick High School: Joan Machado**
- v) Proficiency-Based Summer School Director/Ramp-Up Coordinator – Secondary: Joseph Biscelli**
- w) ESY Coordinator: Melissa Frenette**
- x) Art (PK-12) Coordinator: Tracy Lefort**

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- y) **Grade 5 Grade Leader: Kristin Tuttle**
- z) **Grade 6 Grade Leader: Mark Maziarz**
- aa) **Grade 7 Grade Leader: Colleen Pigott**
- bb) **Grade Leader: Cathy Boutin**
- cc) **Guidance Services (PK-12) Coordinator:
Karen Moniz**
- dd) **Industrial Technology (5-12) Department
Head: Sean Doyle**
- ee) **Music (PK-12) Coordinator: Richard
Marchetti**
- ff) **Nursing and Health Services Coordinator:
Marilyn Johnson**
- gg) **Physical Education and Health
Coordinator: Maureen Sheridan**
- hh) **Special Education (5-8) Grade Leader:
Cynthia Wahl**
- ii) **World Languages (5-12) Department Head:
John Giovanelli**
- jj) **Pre-Kindergarten Lead Teacher: Marie
Caswell**
- kk) **Kindergarten Lead Teacher – Greenbush
Elementary School: Alyson Satchell**
- ll) **Grade 3 Lead Teacher – Greenbush
Elementary School: Ana Parry**

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- mm) Grade 4 Lead Teacher – Greenbush
Elementary School: Christopher Allen**
- nn) Grade 1 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School: Sandra Cappelli**
- oo) Grade 2 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School: Kathleen Winslow**
- pp) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – John F. Horgan
Elementary School: Jennifer Cook-
Spadoni**
- qq) Kindergarten Lead Teacher – Wakefield
Hills Elementary School: Diane
Tourangeau**
- rr) Grade 1 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Joanne Pigott**
- ss) Grade 2 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: William Nero**
- tt) Grade 3 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Susan Emerson**
- uu) Grade 4 Lead Teacher – Wakefield Hills
Elementary School: Lynn Tocco**

Motion seconded by Patricia Keenan. The following members voted in the affirmative: Christopher Messier, Luis Colon, Patricia Keenan, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion unanimously passed.

29. Audience of Citizens

Audience of Citizens

None.

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**30. School Committee
Discussion for the
Good and Welfare of
the School System**

**School Committee Discussion for the Good and
Welfare of the School System**

Mrs. Tarasevich said, for informational purposes, she received a flyer from the Town Manager regarding wind turbines that will be on the all-day referendum. If anyone is interested, she will leave the flyer by the door.

31. Adjournment

Adjournment

MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY CHRISTOPHER MESSIER
THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ADJOURN
THE MEETING.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon.
The following members voted in the affirmative:
Rene Coutu, Patricia Keenan, Luis Colon, Christopher
Messier and Stephen H. Lawton. Motion
unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:14 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rene Coutu, Clerk

Michelle M. Colozzo, Recorder