

**MINUTES**  
**WEST WARWICK SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**JULY 12, 2016**  
**JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**WEBSTER KNIGHT DRIVE**  
**6:00 P.M.**

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

**Members Present:**

Stephen Lawton, Chairperson  
Rene Coutu, Clerk  
Luis Colon

**School Committee  
Member Absent:**

Patricia Keenan

**School Committee  
Attorney Present:**

Aubrey Lombardo

**Administrators Present:**

Karen Tarasevich, Superintendent of Schools  
Leah Bessette, Principal, Wakefield Hills Elementary  
School  
Melissa LeBlanc, Director of Human Resources  
Joseph Renzi, Principal, Maisie E. Quinn  
School/Assistant Special Education Director  
Philip Solomon, Principal, West Warwick High  
School  
Kenneth Townsend, Director of Property Services

**1. Open Session**

**Open Session**

Mr. Lawton opened the meeting at 6:08 P.M.

**2. Roll Call**

**Roll Call**

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

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**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).**

- a) **Policies:**
  - 1) **Discussion: Transgender Policy**
  - 2) **Discussion: In-School Observation Policy**
  
- b) **Contracts:**
  - 1) **Principal – John F. Deering Middle School  
RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1)**
  - 2) **Superintendent’s Evaluation RIGL 42-46-  
5(a)(1)**

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE GO INTO EXECUTIVE  
SESSION ACCORDING TO RI GENERAL  
LAWS 42-46-4 AND 42-46-5, SUBSECTION (A),**

- a) **POLICIES:**
  - 1) **DISCUSSION: TRANSGENDER POLICY**
  - 2) **DISCUSSION: IN-SCHOOL  
OBSERVATION POLICY**
  
- b) **CONTRACTS:**
  - 1) **PRINCIPAL – JOHN F. DEERING  
MIDDLE SCHOOL RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1)**
  - 2) **SUPERINTENDENT’S EVALUATION  
RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1)**

Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee met in Executive Session.

**4. Motion to Close  
Executive Session**

**Motion to Close Executive Session**

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE CLOSE EXECUTIVE  
SESSION. Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The  
following members voted in the affirmative: Rene**

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Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

### 5. Open Session

#### Open Session

Mr. Lawton opened the public session at 6:43 P.M.

### 6. Roll Call

#### Roll Call

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

### 7. Reading of Mission Statement

#### Reading of Mission Statement

Mr. Colon read the Mission Statement of the West Warwick Public Schools:

*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 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills in a safe, personalized learning environment.*

### 8. Pledge of Allegiance

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Coutu led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 9. Motion to Seal Executive Session Minutes

#### Motion to Seal Executive Session Minutes

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE SEAL THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

#### MOTION

### 10. Student Recognition

#### Student Recognition

Mrs. Tarasevich read the names of the following members of the John F. Deering Middle School Track Team who would receive certificates for their accomplishments in state and division championships: Paige O'Brien, Jake Lamothe, Alexis Amaral, Hannah Fox, Kalen Greenhalgh, Virsavia Goretoy, Jacob

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DiMeglio, Lionel Ray, Avery Etheridge, and Head Coach Al Lamothe and Assistant Coach Olivia Chaves.

Mrs. Tarasevich read the certificate and the School Committee recognized and congratulated Megan O'Kelly, Grade 8 student at John F. Deering Middle School, for receiving the Rhode Island Math Teachers Association (RIMTA) 2015-2016 Student Recognition Award. Mrs. Catherine Boutin, Math Teacher at John F. Deering Middle School, said this is the first year that RIMTA has given this award, and there was a lot of competition. Mrs. Boutin said that she is very proud of Megan.

### **11. Audience of Citizens**

#### **Audience of Citizens**

None.

### **12. Chairperson's Report**

#### **Chairperson's Report:**

- a) Complex Update**
- b) Wind Turbine Update**
- c) Football Field Update**

Mr. Lawton asked Mr. Townsend for an update on the complex. Mr. Townsend said the solar panels are underway at the complex. He spoke about the track and said the target date for the grand opening is August 28<sup>th</sup>, and they are working diligently to hit the target. Mr. Townsend said the new scoreboard is on its way.

Mr. Townsend also updated the committee on the work that has been done at the schools such as doors and entryways.

Mr. Lawton asked about the windmills, and Mr. Townsend said he knows they have come in.

### **13. Superintendent's Report**

#### **Superintendent's Report:**

- a) Summer Work Update**
- b) Bond Rating Upgrade**

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Mrs. Tarasevich said every year the Tomorrow Fund sends a request to do a Dress Down Day for children with cancer. She said that \$930 was contributed to the Tomorrow Fund and she thanked everyone—it is an important cause. Mrs. Tarasevich said on the same note, many of you participated in the fundraiser held this week for one of our students. It was a wonderful event and turnout, and as Mr. Kortick said, this is when West Warwick shines: when people are in need, people show up and open up their checkbooks.

Mrs. Tarasevich said she wanted to thank Greg Kortick—he did a great job working with Phil Solomon at the high school. Mrs. Tarasevich also thanked Maribeth Williamson and the Williamson family who donated the greens fees and the facility. She also thanked the members of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Red Team—they manned the grill and did a great job.

Mrs. Tarasevich also thanked Nelson DaSilva, the Bayside Soccer Club, Midville Golf Course, who donated 80 golf carts; Andrew Ballou, a high school student, who was the D.J., and Lynda Nikodem who rounded up a lot of the prizes. Mrs. Tarasevich said again as Mr. Kortick said, this is when you see West Warwick at its best. Mrs. Tarasevich said we wish Tyler and his family well.

Mrs. Tarasevich said she had a meeting with Barbara Cotter who is Chairman of the Board of Education. Mrs. Tarasevich said that people are interested in West Warwick and want to know what's going on. Mrs. Tarasevich said she wants to continue the conversation, and the next step is they requested a meeting with herself and Kevin Gallagher to continue the conversation.

Mrs. Tarasevich said we have applied for the Working Cities Challenge Grant for districts for innovative practices, skills building programs for high school students for employment right out of high school or kids interested in an Associate's Degree or a four-year degree.

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Mrs. Tarasevich said we had a nice run-through from Mr. Townsend about the district projects that are going on.

Mrs. Tarasevich said we just had a rating from the bonding company and we have gone up from Triple B minus to Triple B. She said the five-year plan and all the work we have done is working, and that's where it shows.

Mrs. Tarasevich said she wanted to thank Mrs. D'Alfonso and Ms. McGovern for their presentation and she also commended the three students who did a really great job.

### 14. Approval: Consent Agenda

#### Approval: Consent Agenda

a) Special Meeting Executive Session Minutes: June 28, 2016

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b) Special Meeting Open Session Minutes: June 28, 2016

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c) Payment of Bills: \$1,324,560.05

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#### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

### 15. Presentation: Grade 4 Social Studies Lab Classroom

#### Presentation: Grade 4 Social Studies Lab Classroom

Mrs. Tarasevich said we have Pat D'Alfonso, ELA Standards Implementation Specialist, present with some fourth grade students who are part of a lab classroom to demonstrate what they have been doing.

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Mrs. D'Alfonso said this presentation was on the agenda in June, and there were five young people who were ready to talk about what's going on at Horgan, and tonight there are three young ladies present to speak.

Mrs. D'Alfonso said the lab classroom is a way to develop curriculum; it is a way to get out in the classroom and prepare a quality curriculum.

Ms. Meghan McGovern, the classroom teacher, spoke about the planning process and what the students did.

The three fourth grade students from John F. Horgan Elementary School each spoke about what they had worked on in the classroom.

The students spoke about the following topics:

- Primary Sources
- The 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- The Liberty Bell
- The Pursuit of Happiness
- Diversity
- Equality
- Discrimination
- The story of Juan Quezada
- Truth
- President Nixon
- Lady Justice and her blindfold
- Mock Trial
- Popular sovereignty
- Patriotism

The Superintendent and the School Committee thanked and applauded the students for their presentation.

### 16. Discussion: Wellness Committee

#### Discussion: Wellness Committee

Mrs. Donna Walker from Sodexo addressed the

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School Committee. She said the Wellness Committee was put together about eight years ago, and R.I.D.E. now mandates that you look at it every five years. Mrs. Walker said it has to be a different subcommittee. She said Mr. Lawton and Mrs. Tarasevich and Mr. Townsend and a parent sat on it and are helping us to rebuild it. Mrs. Walker said there are things that have to be in the policy—they want all the wellness policies to look the same.

Mrs. Walker said she is working with people from R.I.D.E. She said we need to let the public know that we do have a wellness policy and we have to pass it along to principals and parents. Mrs. Walker said she will put it on her website, and it will be on the school website. She said we have one more meeting; we have to have this policy in place when R.I.D.E. comes out and does a review; they look at it every five years. Mrs. Tarasevich said our team went up five times to meet with other districts and talk about best practices. Mrs. Walker said West Warwick's name came up numerous times as being ahead of the curve. She said she is waiting to hear from R.I.D.E.

The School Committee thanked Donna Walker.

### 17. Discussion/Approval: First Reading: Transgender Policy

#### Discussion/Approval: First Reading: Transgender Policy

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that there be a discussion/approval of the first reading of the Transgender Policy.

#### MOTION

#### **MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF THE TRANSGENDER POLICY.**

Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

Mr. Lawton noted that Mrs. Keenan is not here, but she wanted to vote no on this.

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**18. Discussion/Approval  
First Reading: In-  
School Observation  
Policy**

**Discussion/Approval: First Reading: In-School  
Observation Policy**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that there be a discussion/approval of the first reading of the In-School Observation Policy. She said what this policy addresses is outside agencies or clinicians that need to come in; it gives guidance around that.

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE FIRST  
READING OF THE IN-SCHOOL**

**OBSERVATION POLICY.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**MOTION**

**19. Discussion:  
Elementary  
Handbook**

**Discussion: Elementary Handbook**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that there be a discussion of the Elementary Handbook. She said that Keith Remillard and the elementary principals have been working on this for several months. It contains updated information such as the calendar, and it ensures consistency throughout the district.

Mr. Lawton said thank you and that there was no action required on this item—it was on for discussion only.

**20. Discussion/Approval:  
First Reading:  
Revision to  
Elementary Discipline  
Policy**

**Discussion/Approval: First Reading: Revision to  
Elementary Discipline Policy (Removal of  
Elementary Dress Code)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that there be a discussion/approval of the first reading of the Revision to the Elementary Discipline Policy. She said the only revision is to remove the Elementary Dress Code from the discipline policy so that it may stand alone as a dress code and be included in the Elementary Handbook.

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**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF THE REVISION TO THE ELEMENTARY DISCIPLINE POLICY (REMOVAL OF ELEMENTARY DRESS CODE).**

Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**21. Discussion/Approval:  
Out-of-State Field  
Trip**

**Discussion/Approval: Out-of-State Field Trip**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that there be a discussion/approval of the out-of-state field trip request submitted by the Music teachers at John F. Deering Middle School to travel with approximately 70 Chorus students to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida, from Wednesday, April 19, through Monday, April 24, 2017.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP REQUEST SUBMITTED BY THE MUSIC TEACHERS AT JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL TO TRAVEL WITH APPROXIMATELY 70 CHORUS STUDENTS TO WALT DISNEY WORLD IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA, FROM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, THROUGH MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**22. Discussion/Approval:  
Contract Amendment**

**Discussion/Approval: Contract Amendment:  
Principal – John F. Deering Middle School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that there be a discussion/approval of the contract amendment for Jeffrey Guiot, Principal of John F. Deering Middle School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVE THE**

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**CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR JEFFREY GUIOT, PRINCIPAL OF JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**23. Acceptance of Resignation for Retirement Purposes**

**Acceptance of Resignation for Retirement Purposes: Full-Time Teacher Assistant – Greenbush Elementary School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee accept the resignation for retirement purposes of David Fera from the position of Full-Time Teacher Assistant at Greenbush Elementary School, effective June 27, 2016.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES OF DAVID FERA FROM THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME TEACHER ASSISTANT AT GREENBUSH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE JUNE 27, 2016.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**24. Acceptance of Resignation**

**Acceptance of Resignation: Yearbook Advisor – West Warwick High School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended with regret that the School Committee accept the resignation of Eric White from the position of Yearbook Advisor at West Warwick High School, effective June 17, 2016. She said that Eric has done a great job in lots of different ways at the high school.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPT WITH REGRET THE RESIGNATION OF ERIC WHITE FROM THE POSITION OF YEARBOOK ADVISOR AT WEST WARWICK**

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**HIGH SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE JUNE 17, 2016.**

Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**25. Acceptance of Resignation**

**Acceptance of Resignation: Teacher – Proficiency-Based Summer School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee accept the resignation of Paula Tulli from the position of Teacher in the Proficiency-Based Summer School, effective June 15, 2016.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF PAULA TULLI FROM THE POSITION OF TEACHER IN THE PROFICIENCY-BASED SUMMER SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2016.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**26. Acceptance of Resignations**

**Acceptance of Resignations: Three (3) Teacher Assistants – Special Education Extended School Year Program**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee accept the resignations of Karen Raposa, Donna Martini-Proulx, and Maryann Kryla from the positions of Teacher Assistants in the Special Education Extended School Year Program.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPT THE RESIGNATIONS OF KAREN RAPOSA, DONNA MARTINI-PROULX, AND MARYANN KRYLA FROM THE POSITION OF TEACHER ASSISTANTS IN THE SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

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**27. Consent to  
Superintendent's  
Appointments**

**CONSENT TO SUPERINTENDENT'S  
APPOINTMENTS**

- a) **Mathematics Teacher – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Matthew Gama to the position of Mathematics Teacher at West Warwick High School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW GAMA TO THE POSITION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHER AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon, for discussion.

Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Matthew Gama's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Matthew Gama.

- b) **Library Media Teacher – Wakefield Hills Elementary School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Lucy Harris to the position of Library Media Teacher at Wakefield Hills Elementary School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF LUCY HARRIS TO THE POSITION OF**

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**LIBRARY MEDIA TEACHER AT WAKEFIELD HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu, for discussion.

Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Lucy Harris's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative:  
Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton.  
Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Lucy Harris.

**c) Grade 6 Teacher – John F. Deering Middle School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Meghan McGovern to the position of Grade 6 Teacher at John F. Deering Middle School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MEGHAN MCGOVERN TO THE POSITION OF GRADE 6 TEACHER AT JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon, for discussion.

Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Meghan McGovern's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Meghan McGovern.

**d) Special Education Teacher – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

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Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Andrew Belanger to the position of Special Education Teacher at West Warwick High School.

### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW BELANGER TO THE POSITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon, for discussion.

Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Andrew Belanger's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Andrew Belanger.

**e) Special Education Grades 7/8 Self-Contained Inclusion (Autism) Teacher – John F. Deering Middle School (FUNDING SOURCE LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Seamus Hearne to the position of Special Education 7/8 Self-Contained Inclusion (Autism) Teacher at John F. Deering Middle School.

### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF SEAMUS HEARNE TO THE POSITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION GRADES 7/8 SELF-CONTAINED INCLUSION (AUTISM) TEACHER AT JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu, for discussion.

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Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Seamus Hearne's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative:  
Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton.  
Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Seamus Hearne.

**f) Special Education Grade 5 Self-Contained  
Inclusion Teacher – John F. Deering Middle  
School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Katie Larsh to the position of Special Education Grade 5 Self-Contained Teacher at John F. Deering Middle School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KATIE LARSH TO THE POSITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION GRADE 5 SELF-CONTAINED INCLUSION TEACHER AT JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**g) Special Education Grade 2 Self-Contained  
Inclusion Teacher – Wakefield Hills  
Elementary School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Veronica Seeram to the position of Special Education Grade 2 Self-Contained Inclusion Teacher at Wakefield Hills Elementary School.

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**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF VERONICA SEERAM TO THE POSITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION GRADE 2 SELF-CONTAINED INCLUSION TEACHER AT WAKEFIELD HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.**

Motion seconded by Rene Coutu, for discussion.

Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Veronica Seeram's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative:  
Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton.  
Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Veronica Seeram.

**h) Long-Term Substitute Grade 2 Teacher –  
Greenbush Elementary School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Kristin Ryan to the position of Long-Term Substitute Grade 2 Teacher at Greenbush Elementary School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KRISTIN RYAN TO THE POSITION OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE GRADE 2 TEACHER AT GREENBUSH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.**

Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**i) Long-Term Substitute Grade 5 Teacher –  
John F. Deering Middle School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the

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appointment of Katelyn Corriveau to the position of Long-Term Substitute Grade 5 Teacher at John F. Deering Middle School.

### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KATELYN CORRIVEAU TO THE POSITION OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE GRADE 5 TEACHER AT JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon, for discussion.

Mrs. LeBlanc provided information regarding Katelyn Corriveau's education and experience.

The following members voted in the affirmative:  
Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton.  
Motion passed 3 to 0.

The School Committee congratulated and welcomed Katelyn Corriveau.

**j) Long-Term Substitute English/Language Arts (Grade 8) Teacher John F. Deering Middle School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Olivia Chaves to the position of Long-Term Substitute English/Language Arts Teacher (Grade 8) at John F. Deering Middle School.

### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF OLIVIA CHAVES TO THE POSITION OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER (GRADE 8) AT JOHN F. DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

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**k) Drama Director – West Warwick High School  
(FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Richard Marchetti to the position of Drama Director at West Warwick High School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD MARCHETTI TO THE POSITION OF DRAMA DIRECTOR AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**l) Tri-M Music Honor Society (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Richard Marchetti to the position of Tri-M Music Honor Society Advisor at West Warwick High School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD MARCHETTI TO THE POSITION OF TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY ADVISOR AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**m) Proficiency-Based Summer School Teacher – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL & YMCA GRANT)**

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Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Colleen Pigott to the position of Proficiency-Based Summer School Teacher at West Warwick High School.

### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF COLLEEN PIGOTT TO THE POSITION OF PROFICIENCY-BASED SUMMER SCHOOL TEACHER AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

- n) **Library/Media Specialists for Summer Reading Program at West Warwick Public Library (FUNDING SOURCE: GRANT FUNDED)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointments of Kristen Mitchell and Jane Vincelleto to the positions of Library/Media Specialists for the Summer Reading Program at the West Warwick Public Library.

### MOTION

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENTS OF KRISTEN MITCHELL AND JANE VINCELLETTE TO THE POSITIONS OF LIBRARY/MEDIA SPECIALISTS FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM AT THE WEST WARWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

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- o) Special Education Extended School Year Certified Positions (FUNDING SOURCE LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointments of Erica Riccitelli, Ann Marie Glanville, Jennifer Rooney, and Brooke Lowery to certified positions in the Special Education Extended School Year Program.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENTS OF ERICA RICCITELLI, ANN MARIE GLANVILLE, JENNIFER ROONEY, AND BROOKE LOWERY TO CERTIFIED POSITIONS IN THE SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM.**

Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

- p) Special Education Extended School Year Teacher Assistant Positions (FUNDING SOURCE LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointments of Barbara Rudolf, Tina Valle, Catherine Thompson, and Mary O'Connell to teacher assistant positions in the Special Education Extended School Year Program.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY RENE COUTU THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENTS OF BARBARA RUDOLF, TINA VALLE, CATHERINE THOMPSON, AND MARY O'CONNELL TO TEACHER ASSISTANT POSITIONS IN THE SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM.**

Motion seconded by Luis Colon. The following

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members voted in the affirmative: Luis Colon, Rene Coutu, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**q) Head Co-Ed & Girls' (Combined) Cross Country Coach – West Warwick High School (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Wayne Marsocci to the position of Head Co-Ed & Girls' (Combined) Cross Country Coach at West Warwick High School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF WAYNE MARSOCCI TO THE POSITION OF HEAD CO-ED & GIRLS' (COMBINED) CROSS COUNTRY COACH AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**r) Assistant Girls' Volleyball Coach – West Warwick High School (One-Year Term) (FUNDING SOURCE: LOCAL)**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointment of Joshua Malloy to the position of Assistant Girls' Volleyball Coach at West Warwick High School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSHUA MALLOY TO THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL COACH AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

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- s) **Two (2) Co-Assistant Co-Ed Football Coaches  
– West Warwick High School**

Mrs. Tarasevich recommended that the School Committee provide advice and consent to the appointments of William Samiagio and Brian Cahill—contingent upon receipt of R.I.D.E. certification—to the positions of Co-Assistant Co-Ed Football Coaches at West Warwick High School.

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENTS OF WILLIAM SAMIAGIO AND BRIAN CAHILL—CONTINGENT UPON RECEIPT OF R.I.D.E. CERTIFICATION—TO THE POSITIONS OF CO-ASSISTANT CO-ED FOOTBALL COACHES AT WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

**28. Audience of Citizens**

**Audience of Citizens**

None.

**29. Adjournment**

**Adjournment**

**MOTION**

**MOTION MADE BY LUIS COLON THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ADJOURN THE MEETING.** Motion seconded by Rene Coutu. The following members voted in the affirmative: Rene Coutu, Luis Colon, and Stephen H. Lawton. Motion passed 3 to 0.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:41 P.M.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Rene Coutu, Clerk

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Michelle Colozzo, Recorder