

## WEST BOYLSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Wednesday, February 13, 2019  
Middle/High School Library-Media Center

Ms. Breen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Breen, Chairman  
James Morrissey, Vice Chairman  
Jason Ponticelli  
Richard Shaw

### ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Elizabeth Schaper, Superintendent of Schools  
Christopher Fournier, Principal Middle/High School  
Richard Meagher, Elementary Principal  
Roger E. Pontbriand, Jr., Business Administrator  
Sherri Traina, Director of Special Education

### ALSO PRESENT

Faculty, audience and press.

### 1. MINUTES – Regular Meeting

Mr. Ponticelli moved, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to accept the minutes of the January 9, 2019 regular meeting.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

### 2. Student Recognition Awards: Major Edwards, Middle School, High School

Students from Major Edwards Elementary School and West Boylston Middle/High School were recognized as Student of the Month: Cale Jackson, Sean Granger, and Alaina Chelonis.

### 3. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Members of the Student Advisory Council Belicia Halkias reported on:

- Winter Sports updates
- Student Council/ Blood Drive
- NHS/Applications being accepted at this time
- National Art Honor Society/
- Tri-M Music Honor Society/Coffee House Event
- Staff and Student Basketball Game March 16, 2019

### 4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CAMERA CREW

5. HIGHLIGHT ON SCHOOLS: Drama Department Monologues – Carolyn Somma

Mrs. Somma, from the Middle/High School, presented on the Drama Department Monologues. The performance is scheduled for Friday, February 15, 2019 and most of the proceeds will be given to the upcoming Haiti trip. Ms. Somma also had a few students' present brief excerpts of the show,

6. Vote to approve FY20 Calendar

Mr. Morrissey moved, seconded by Mr. Ponticelli, to accept the FY20 Calendar.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

7. COMMUNITY INPUT

8. WARRANTS

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, to accept the payables warrants dated:

- January 14, 2019
- February 4, 2019

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

Mr. Ponticelli moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, to accept the payroll warrants dated:

- January 25, 2019
- February 8, 2019

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

9. Subcommittee Reports

- Negotiations Subcommittee

Mr. Morrissey presented the Memorandum of Agreement between the WBTA and SC.

Mr. Morrissey moved, seconded by Mr. Ponticelli, to accept the Memorandum of Agreement between The WBTA and the SC.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

- Budget and Capital Planning Subcommittee
  - Budget and Capital Planning Subcommittee – Mr. Shaw reported that the subcommittees met on February 11, 2019 to review the preliminary numbers for the FY20 budget. The budget book will be available in the Superintendent's office on March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 4 pm. The FY20 Public Budget hearing is scheduled for March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm.

10. COMMUNICATION AND REPORTS

- a) Major Edwards Elementary School Principal Mr. Richard Meagher reported on:

- A.L.I.C.E. Training for staff January 18, 2019
  - Grade 4 N.A.P.E. Testing February 4, 2019
  - POS System increase of use from parents and also increase of low balance notices being generated
  - PTA window decals installed at Major Edwards
  - Curriculum Night for first grade February 13, 2019
  - Heritage Night for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade February 13, 2019
  - Energy Fair Grade 4 February 13, 2019
- b) Middle/High School Principal Mr. Christopher Fournier reported on:
- Freshman class fundraiser Trivia Night
  - Coffeehouse Event was January 24, 2019
  - Science Fair on February 7, 2019
  - Mattress Fundraiser held on January 26, 2019 raised nearly \$4,000 to go towards the Haiti trip
  - NHS applications are being accepted, NHS induction is March 20, 2019
  - College night for Grade 11 held on February 11, 2019
  - Student Council is hosting a Blood Drive on February 27, 2019
  - The Monologues Play February 15, 2019
  - Middle School Play “Aladdin, Jr” April 5 and 6, 2019
- c) Director of Special Education Ms. Sherri Traina reported on:
- Preschool Registration Updates
- d) Business Administrator Mr. Roger Pontbriand reported on:
- January 2019 Expense Account Summary
  - February vacation Health room in the Middle/High School technical updates will be completed
  - Budget and Capital Planning
- e) Superintendent of Schools Dr. Elizabeth Schaper reported on:
- School Choice Application open to the public January 1, 2019, lottery will take place April 1, 2019 in the conference room at 9 am
  - Negotiations with paraprofessionals is ongoing
  - Requested that the committee vote to approve the MOU for a preferred vocational partnership with Leominster Public Schools

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, to accept the Memorandum of Agreement for Vocational Partnership of Leominster CTEI and the West Boylston School Committee for the School Year 2019-2020.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

- f) School Committee

Mr. Morrissey shared his positive experiences during the interested based bargaining process.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ponticelli moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to adjourn the meeting at 8:02p.m.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Pratt, Recoding Secretary