

WEST BOYLSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
Meeting of Wednesday, December 11, 2019  
Middle/High School Library-Media Center

Mr. Shaw called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

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

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. Pedone, to accept the minutes of the November 13, 2019 regular meeting.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

2. STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARDS: Major Edwards, Middle School, High School

Students from the Elementary and Middle/High School were recognized as Student of the Month: Olivia Rogers, Lucy Fair and Colin Ryder.

3. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Student Advisory Council Member Ali Terkanian reported on student activities and winter sports teams.

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CAMERA CREW

5. HIGHLIGHT ON SCHOOLS

Mr. Meagher presented the 2019 Major Edwards Elementary MCAS Report.

Mr. Fournier presented the 2019 Middle / High School MCAS Report.

6. COMMUNITY INPUT

## 7. WARRANTS

Ms. Breen moved, seconded by Mr. Ponticelli to accept the payables warrants dated:

- November 27, 2019

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

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

- November 29, 2019
- December 13, 2019

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

## 8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Budget and Capital Planning Subcommittee – Mr. Pedone discussed that the subcommittee reviewed the recommendations from the Best Use of Educational Facilities Study. At this time the subcommittee is asking the school committee members to review the options presented in the study so a vote can be made to move forward with future planning.
- Policy Subcommittee

Mr. Ponticelli moved, seconded by Ms. Breen to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of G section of policies.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

Mr. Morrissey moved, seconded by Mr. Pedone to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of Policy JKAA – Student Restraint.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

Mr. Ponticelli moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of Policy JICFB – Bullying Prevention.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

## 9. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

- a. Major Edwards Elementary School Principal Mr. Meagher reported on:
  - PTA – Author visit, Scholastic Book Fair, School Field Trips
  - Upcoming School Concerts
  - Building update
- b. Middle/High School Principal Mr. Fournier reported on:
  - Fall / Winter Sports updates
  - “Giving Tree” Event
  - Quebec Trip update
  - Thanksgiving Food Basket updates

- Fall production update
- Science Fair, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>
- Interact Club volunteering

Mr. Fournier presented service trip with Habitat For Humanity in March 2020.

Mr. Pedone moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to approve service trip with Habitat For Humanity in March 2020.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

- c. Director of Special Education Ms. Traina reported on:
  - Preschool Applications acceptance and lottery date
- d. Business Administrator Mr. Pontbriand reported on:
  - Expense Account Report
- e. Superintendent of Schools Dr. Schaper reported on:
  - West Boylston Athletic Hall of Fame Event, November 30, 2019
  - West Boylston Hall of Fame Event at Middle/High School, February 12, 2020
- f. School Committee: no reports

#### 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Shaw made a motion to enter into executive session, not to return to open session.

A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Pedone – Yes

Ms. Breen – Yes

Mr. Shaw – Yes

Mr. Ponticelli – Yes

Mr. Morrissey - Yes

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pedone made a motion to exit executive session and adjourn the meeting at 9:07 pm.

A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Pedone – Yes

Ms. Breen – Yes

Mr. Shaw – Yes

Mr. Ponticelli – Yes

Mr. Morrissey - Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Pratt, Recording Secretary