

# WEST BOYLSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Wednesday, November 18, 2015  
Middle/High School Library-Media Center

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

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Breen  
Richard Shaw  
James Morrissey  
Jada Morgan

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

James Pedone, Jr.

## ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Elizabeth Schaper, Superintendent  
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

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, to accept the minutes of the October 14, 2015 regular meeting.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

## 2. STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARDS

Students from the Elementary and Middle/High Schools were recognized for their achievements – Dante Ramadan, Valerie Hilton and Mackenzie Roberts.

## 3. HIGHLIGHT ON SCHOOLS – District MCAS Report

Elementary school teachers – Dawn LaRocco, Denise Levesque and Michelle Gangai gave a presentation on the Major Edwards MCAS results.

## 4. COMMUNITY INPUT

## 5. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Mr. Morrissey moved, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to approve the School Improvement Plans for both schools in the West Boylston District.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

## 6. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Policy –Section I policies were reviewed at the most recent Policy subcommittee meeting. They will be presented for a first reading at the December 2015 meeting.

## 7. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

- a. Major Edwards Elementary School Principal - Mr. Meagher reported on:
  - Writing Workshop Training
  - First electronic report card for grades 4 and 5
  - Ceiling in computer room to be repaired
  - Spellathon
- b. Middle/High School Principal – Christopher Fournier reported on:
  - Sports teams Fall season
  - Hall of Fame athletes induction
  - Distribution of report cards
  - PSAT's and college applications/financial aid
  - Theme for the year – Community Service
  - School Safety parent training – ALICE program
  - Washington, D.C. trip planning
- c. Director of Special Education – Sherri Traina – nothing to report at this time.
- d. Business Administrator - Mr. Pontbriand reported on:
  - Monthly expenditure report
  - Ceiling Repair at Major Edwards
  - Facilities – working with Fire Chief and Building Inspector
  - Van progress – hiring staff/licensing – ready January 2016
- e. Superintendent of Schools - Dr. Schaper reported on:
  - Teacher Attendance
  - Student Attendance
  - Suspensions
  - Professional Development Committee

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. Morrissey to revise the Teacher round groups to the new format as presented for the West Boylston Public School District.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

- Curriculum teams for science and social studies
  - Data Teams – Edwin Analytics Training
  - Literacy professional development
  - Professional development provided by Administration staff
  - ALICE training for parents
  - Athletic Hall of Fame banquet
  - Foundation Budget Review
  - John & Abigail Adams Scholarships
  - PARCC & MCAS test options
- f. School Committee –

Mr. Shaw commented on the information provided by the Foundation Budget Review Commission.

Mr. Morrissey indicated he was looking forward to the Thanksgiving Day game and the Hall of Fame induction.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Ms. Morgan to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

**VOTE: 4-0-0**

Respectfully submitted,

Marie K. Johnson, Recording Secretary