

The W. L. Gilbert School Corporation
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 10, 2019

The regular meeting of the W. L. Gilbert School Corporation was held on April 10, 2019 in the Gilbert School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Steven Sedlack at 7:06 p.m. Others members attending were Holly Cassaday, Richard Dutton, Michelle Hintz, Jennifer Marchand, Ellen Marino, Theresa Padin, Doug Pfenninger and Charles Seaback.

Absent: none

Also attending were Dr. Anthony Serio, Superintendent and Susan Sojka, Principal

Pledge of Allegiance and Vision and Mission Statement were led by Dr. Richard Dutton.

Public Forum:

Nora Mocarski and Jack Bourque spoke.

Student Representatives: Conor Bailey and Lydia Bird reported on an upcoming fundraiser on April 30 for Project Graduation. They spoke about Buddy System Proposal, Pen Pals with Mrs. Aldridge's special education class, and Gilbert's Italy trip during April break. Summer programs were suggested.

Call for Agenda Items:

A motion was made by Doug Pfenninger, seconded by Jennifer Marchand to move agenda item 15 to before Item 11.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Jennifer Marchand, seconded by Holly Cassaday to add Approval of Resignation to Item 12B.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Theresa Padin, seconded by Holly Cassaday to move agenda item 12A to Executive Session.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Holly Cassaday, seconded by Theresa Padin to approve minutes of Regular meeting on March 5, 2019.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Charles Seaback, seconded by Jennifer Marchand to approve minutes of Regular meeting on March 20, 2019.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Monthly School Report:

Wendy Sultaire and Buckley Morgan presented a slide show on Gilbert students' Veteran Project

Committee Reports:

Finance- Charles Seaback reported Substitute line item may overrun but should be okay with teacher line item. Committee is looking at cafeteria alternatives. Budget gap was discussed.

Personnel – No Meeting to Report; next meeting is April 25 @ 3:00 p.m.

Policy – No Meeting to Report

Building & Grounds – No Meeting to Report

Celebration of Education - No report.

Approval of Field Trip:

A motion was made by Holly Cassaday, seconded by Theresa Padin to approve a field trip to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, MA.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Approval of Enhancement Grant:

A motion was made by Doug Pfenninger, seconded by Jennifer Marchand to approve an enhancement request for Wrestling State Championship Jackets not to exceed \$1500.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Approval of Graduation Date:

A motion was made by Theresa Padin, seconded by Holly Cassaday to approve the graduation date for Class of 2019 to Friday, June 14, 2019.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

First Reading of Policy Update:

#6146.2 – Statewide Proficiency/Master Examinations

Board of Education Reports – Moved from Line Item 15:

Winchester – Board is increasing budget by \$300,000, approved line item change. Total Winchester budget increasing by \$300,000. Gilbert line item increasing by \$150,000.

A motion was made by Charles Seaback, seconded by Theresa Padin to reduce Gilbert's budget by \$207,000.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Discussion/approval – Notification of Nonrenewal of Non-Tenured Teachers

A. Moved to Executive Session

B. Approval of Resignation:

A motion was made by Jennifer Marchand, seconded by Michelle Hintz to approve the resignation of Spanish teacher, Kevin McKeown.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Principal's Report: Susan Sojka reported on:

Project Graduation Fundraiser tickets for sale;

May 8th – Rowley Tap & Grill Fundraiser – 4:30 p.m. to closing;

May 17th – Medium presentation for Project Graduation fundraiser and Mock Car Crash being held;

May 20th – Scholarship Night

May 31 – Celebration of Education @ 8:30 a.m. in auditorium and Prom being held in the evening;

June 11th – Middle School Promotion

June 14th – Graduation

High Tech High Professional Development will be held for three days on project-based learning.

Head of School/Superintendent Report: Anthony Serio

A discussion was held on Substitute Bill No. 874 (LCO No. 6736).

Winchester Public Schools supports this bill. Melony Brady-Shanley, Superintendent of Winchester Public Schools sent letter of support and Anthony Serio, Superintendent of The Gilbert School sent letter in opposition.

School Corporation Chairman's Report: no report

Other: None

A motion was made by Holly Cassaday, seconded by Richard Dutton to enter Executive Session with an invite to Dr. Serio and Mrs. Sojka to join.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Executive Session entered @ 8:58 p.m.

Back to Public Session @ 9:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Richard Dutton not to renew the teaching contract of Rodney Skottegaard for the 2019-2020 school year due to elimination of position and that the Board authorizes the Superintendent to provide written notice of the nonrenewal action.

Vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Holly Cassaday, seconded by Richard Dutton to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0, Abstain 0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Marino