

## WINCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Type: Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.

Location: P. FRANCIS HICKS ROOM, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, TOWN HALL

1. Call to order 7:01 pm
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call (alpha. order):
  - a. Present: Melony Brady-Shanley, Superintendent, Michelle Hintz, Nora MocarSKI, Doug Pfenninger, Alexandria Propfe, Chris Royer
  - b. Absent: Liz O'Dowd, Theresa Starzyk, Robert Vogt, Jr.
4. MOTION add an item to agenda - The second reading of the new policy #3541.5.
  - a. Motion: Michelle Hintz, Second: Chris → Unanimous
    - i. Friendly Amendment approved to add this item to Item XII) "Reports of BOE Standing Committees."
5. Comments from Chair
  - a. A positive meeting with Freeman Burr & Doug Pfenninger & Town Manager & Melony Brady-Shanley at State Board of Education.
6. Recognitions
  - a. Eight new staff members introduced - Areas include: Preschool, art, 6th grade, music, special education, speech and language, library media specialist
7. Presentation
  - a. District Improvement Plan (DIP) -
    - i. First time in many years we have a DIP aligned to BOE goals. Collaborative process. Aligned all initiatives to wrap around each other.
    - ii. [handout] - of highlights of the DIP
      1. Panorama - parent survey during November. Parents will have a one time code.
  - b. Christina Royer honored for ten years of service
8. Public Hearing
9. Consent Agenda Items
  - a. Approval of Minutes - Motion: Michelle Hintz, Second: Alexandria Propfe → Unanimous
10. Correspondence
  - a. CAFTA letter read in opposition to the proposed charter application for the Winchester Charter Academy [in BOE packet]
11. Superintendent's Reports & Action Items
  - a. Superintendent's Report - Page 13 of BOE packet.
  - b. School Enrollment - Page 15
  - c. Chronic Absences - Page 16
  - d. No action items at this time.
12. Standing Committee Reports
  - a. Finance Committee Report - Nancy O'Dea Wyrick
    - i. Spending freeze still in effect
    - ii. No budget transfers to report
    - iii. Commissioner's Network Funds came through.

- iv. Special Education - costs fluctuate because student enrollments can fluctuate. Therefore, we may or may not find savings in special education costs.
- b. Policy Committee Report
  - i. Policy #3541.5 - bring questions to either policy meeting Thursday, September 14th, 2017 @ 5p or next BOE meeting
- c. Facilities Committee (ad hoc)
  - i. Pete Marchand was recommended as a candidate.
- d. New Business
  - i. Finance Committee Membership
    - 1. Recommendation to reduce membership to 5 people with quorum would be 3 with an open invitation to all members to attend.
      - a. Five members: Chris, Michelle, Liz, Doug, Nora
- e. Adjourn 8:07pm.
  - i. Christine Royer to motion → Michelle Hintz to second. → Unanimous