

MINUTES – WAYLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
Regular Session – July 26, 2012

A Regular Session of the Wayland School Committee was held on Thursday, July 26, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. in the School Committee Room of the Wayland Town Building.

Present were:

Barb Fletcher, Chair  
Beth Butler, Vice Chair  
Malcolm Astley  
Ellen Grieco  
Shawn Kinney (participated remotely)

Also:

Paul Stein  
Superintendent of Schools

Chair Barb Fletcher convened the Regular Session at 7:04 P.M. and informed the audience that the meeting was being taped by WayCAM. She noted that Shawn Kinney submitted the Remote Participation Form and would participate remotely due to geographic reasons.

1. **Comments & Written Statements from the Public:**

An email from John Flaherty was read into the record, encouraging the School Committee to have an impartial and comprehensive audit conducted by an independent party and overseen by the Audit Committee.

Donna Bouchard expressed her interest in having the audit be conducted as impartially as possible. Therefore, she would like the Audit Committee to conduct a search for an auditor and to oversee the audit.

Linda Segal expressed support for the audit. She also believes it would be prudent to have the Audit Committee involved in the audit and have the audit conducted by an independent party.

Tom Sciacca made suggestions as to how the Town calendar can be fixed to include links to School Committee meetings.

2. **Letter to Auditor re: Review:**

The School Committee made recommended edits to the draft letter.

Upon a motion duly made by Ellen Grieco, seconded by Beth Butler, the School Committee voted (5-0), by roll call vote, to have Barb Fletcher sign the letter, as amended, and send to 4 auditors (StoneTurn, McGladrey, Grant Thornton, Powers & Sullivan) with a cover letter to ask for their level of interest, and anticipated cost, timing and staffing levels for this project.

<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Barb Fletcher, Chair	X	
Beth Butler, Vice Chair	X	
Malcolm Astley	X	
Ellen Grieco	X	
Shawn Kinney	X	

The Committee then agreed to have Barb Fletcher approach the Audit Committee to determine if they can be involved in this process and advise the Committee, pursuant to their charter.

The Committee agreed to have a conversation about funding with the Finance Committee if this project impacts the FY13 school budget.

Upon a motion duly made by Malcolm Astley, seconded by Ellen Grieco, the School Committee voted (4-0-1) (Shawn Kinney abstained), by roll call vote, to appoint Shawn Kinney as liaison to the Audit Committee should they be involved in this process.

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<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Barb Fletcher, Chair	X	
Beth Butler, Vice Chair	X	
Malcolm Astley	X	
Ellen Grieco	X	
Shawn Kinney	X	

3. **Comments & Written Statements from the Public:**

Donna Bouchard mentioned that MASBO conducted a review of Wellesley's student activity accounts and found that if the funds are not expended by the end of year, then the graduating class could decide to spend these funds how they want. She asked for a copy of the MASBO guidelines for student activity accounts.

Tom Sciacca noted that the iPad 3 would allow access in remote locations.

4. **Adjournment:**

Upon a motion duly made by Ellen Grieco, seconded by Malcolm Astley, the School Committee voted unanimously (5-0), by roll call vote, to adjourn the Regular Session at 8:11 P.M.

<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Barb Fletcher, Chair	X	
Beth Butler, Vice Chair	X	
Malcolm Astley	X	
Ellen Grieco	X	
Shawn Kinney	X	

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Fletcher, Chair  
Wayland School Committee

Observers:  
Tom Sciacca, WVN  
Linda Siegel, Wayland  
Donna Bouchard, Wayland

Corresponding Documentation:

1. Letter to Auditor re: Review
2. Email from John Flaherty