

March 20, 2017
Finance Subcommittee Meeting

A meeting of the Finance Subcommittee of the Westfield School Committee was held on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 6:15 pm. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 59 Court Street. Members present by roll call were: Mr. Kevin J. Sullivan, Mr. Ramon Diaz, and Mrs. Cindy Sullivan. Other school committee members in attendance were: Mr. Bill Duval, Mr. Jeffrey Gosselin, Mrs. Diane Mayhew, and Mayor Brian Sullivan. Also present: Mr. Stefan Czaporowski.

Mr. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.

2. FY 2018 budgetary review, including determination of class structure

Mr. Sullivan thanked everyone for attending the meeting and stated discussions would take place regarding budget and class structure.

Mr. Diaz moved, Mr. Sullivan seconded to bring forward a positive recommendation to the full committee to approve Option #1 Russell Elementary School remain open for the 2017-2018 school year. All were in favor. Motion passes.

A discussion took place regarding the class structure. Mrs. Sullivan stated that a lot of research was done and she spoke to several stakeholders. She would like a decision made by the end of the school year regarding the structure options: two 5-8 schools or a 5/6 school and a 7/8 school.

Mr. Diaz stated that he would like more information - such as bus routes and the length of time students are riding the bus. This information should be made available to parents prior to taking the survey.

Mr. Sullivan moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to make a decision on the structure of the district for the 2018-2019 school year (two 5-8 schools or a 5/6 and a 7/8 school on June 19, 2017. All were in favor. Motion passes.

1. Public participation, excluding personnel: none

At 6:42 pm Mr. Sullivan moved, Mrs. Sullivan seconded to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Kevin J. Sullivan, Chair
Finance Subcommittee

A report on this meeting given to the school committee at the April 3, 2017 meeting. Approved by school committee members at the _____ school committee meeting.

Kevin J. Sullivan, Chair
Finance Subcommittee