

April 3, 2017

A meeting of the Westfield School Committee was held on Monday, April 3, 2017, at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 59 Court Street. Members present by roll call were: Mr. Ramon Diaz, Mr. Bill Duval, Mr. Jeffrey Gosselin, Mrs. Diane Mayhew, Mr. Kevin J. Sullivan, Mrs. Cindy Sullivan, and Chairman Brian Sullivan.

At 7:00 pm Chairman Sullivan called the meeting to order.

1. Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairman Sullivan asked if anyone was taping the meeting and if so, please state your name and address: no response

2. Public participation, excluding personnel: none

Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mrs. Sullivan seconded to suspend the rules and address agenda item 4 and 5 before agenda item 3. All were in favor. Motion passes.

4. *Above and Beyond* Certificate:

Mr. Czaporowski presented the *Above and Beyond* Certificate to the Westfield High School Gymnastics Team. The gymnasts won ten consecutive MIAA Western Mass championships, remain undefeated on the season, and in 170 straight contests.

5. Recognition: WHS Boys Ice Hockey Team and WTA Boys Basketball Team
Athletic Director Eileen Flaherty introduced MIAA Assistant Director Rich Riley. Mr. Riley recognized both teams for their outstanding service to the community and for serving as role models to their fellow student athletes.

A brief recess was held.

3. Fort Meadow Early Childhood Center presentation:

Mrs. Hentnick, Principal, introduced preschool teacher Ms. Sandra Guilbert. A short video was shown that highlighted students participating in fun and engaging lessons.

6. Westfield High School student representative:

Erin McDermott and new assistant principal Mr. Kevin Zdroykowski were in attendance. Both provided an update to the committee.

7. Approval of the School Committee meeting minutes:

a. March 20, 2017 meeting

Mr. Sullivan moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to approve the March 20, 2017 school committee meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion passes

b. March 28, 2017 meeting

Mr. Sullivan moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to approve the March 28, 2017 school committee meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion passes.

8. State of the Schools presentation – Fort Meadow Early Childhood Center Academy (attached)
Mrs. Hentnick, Principal, shared information regarding Fort Meadow Early Childhood Center.
9. 2nd/final reading, by title only, of Policy File: DGA Authorized Signatures:
Mr. Duval moved, Mrs. Mayhew seconded to approve a 2nd/final reading, by title only, of Policy File: DGA Authorized Signatures. All were in favor. Motion passes.
10. Approval of Munger Hill Elementary School field trip, Mystic Aquarium, Mystic, Connecticut, June 15, 2017
Mr. Sullivan moved, Mrs. Sullivan seconded to approve the Munger Hill Elementary School field trip to Mystic Aquarium located in Mystic, Connecticut on June 15, 2017. All were in favor. Motion passes.
11. School Choice
 - a. Elementary
Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to approve 141 school choice openings for the 2017-2018 school year. All were in favor. Motion passes.
Kindergarten = 11 openings
Grade 1 = 3 openings
Grade 3 = 48 openings
Grade 4 = 37 openings
Grade 5 = 42 openings
 - b. Middle
Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mr. Duval seconded to approve 42 school choice openings at North Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. All were in favor. Motion passes.
Grade 6 = 3 openings Grade 7 = 23 openings Grade 8 = 16 openings
 - b. Middle
Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mr. Duval seconded to approve 19 school choice openings at South Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. All were in favor. Motion passes.
Grade 6 = 15 openings Grade 7 = 4 openings
 - c. Westfield High
Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to approve 25 new school choice openings with a 10% variance at WHS for the 2017-2018 school year. All were in favor. Motion passes.
12. Approval of Budget Transfer
Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mrs. Sullivan seconded to approve a budget transfer of \$65,000 from 50083412/521101 Heating Fuel to 50081510/519900 Severance.

The following roll call vote was taken:

	<u>Y</u>	<u>N</u>	
Mr. Gosselin	X		
Mrs. Mayhew	X		
Mr. Sullivan	X		
Mr. Diaz	X		
Mr. Duval	X		
Mrs. Sullivan	X		
Chairman Sullivan	<u>X</u>		
	7	-	<u>0</u> motion passes

13. Acceptance of the Westfield Public Schools Financial Statements, March 2017
 Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to approve the Westfield Public Schools Financial Statements, March 2017, as presented.

The following roll call vote was taken:

	<u>Y</u>	<u>N</u>	
Mrs. Mayhew	X		
Mr. Sullivan	X		
Mr. Diaz	X		
Mr. Duval	X		
Mr. Gosselin	X		
Mrs. Sullivan	X		
Chairman Sullivan	<u>X</u>		
	7	-	<u>0</u> motion passes

14. Report of the signed weekly warrants:
 Mr. Gosselin reported the following warrants were signed
 March 24, 2017 warrants signed – 16 batches total \$630,825.49
 March 31, 2017 warrants signed – 17 batches total \$223,190.72

15. Superintendent's Reports

a. Acceptance of gifts/donations

Mr. Gosselin moved, Mr. Sullivan seconded to accept the following gifts/donations:

<u>Donated To</u>	<u>From & Amount</u>	<u>Use</u>
Fort Meadow Early Childhood Center	Grynn and Barret, \$706.32	Gift Acct, Educational Purposes
	Lularoe Fundraiser, \$191.00	Gift Acct, Educational Purposes
Southampton Road Elementary School	Westfield Foundation Education, \$1,500.00	Gift Account, Educational Purposes
Westfield Public Schools	New England Air Museum, \$4,527.65	VIP Gift Account, Transportation Costs to visit the Air Museum in CT (Abner, FrAve, Highland, Munger Hill, Paper Mill, Russell, Sth Rd, WTA)

The following roll call vote was taken:

	<u>Y</u>		<u>N</u>	
Mr. Sullivan	X			
Mr. Diaz	X			
Mr. Duval	X			
Mr. Gosselin	X			
Mrs. Mayhew	X			
Mrs. Sullivan	X			
Chairman Sullivan	<u>X</u>			
	7	-	<u>0</u>	motion passes

b. Other:

Mr. Czaprowski reported that Westfield Technical Academy's Elizah White won 2nd place with his Public Service Announcement at the #StopTheSwerve event last week at the Basketball Hall of Fame. This brings \$5000 for WTA to be put toward technology. Elizah will be recognized with an "Above and Beyond" Certificate.

He also reported representatives from MGM Resorts took a tour of Westfield Technical Academy, the first Parent Advisory Board meeting will be held on April 11 at 3:30, and the next WE2BA meeting is scheduled for April 28 at the Reed Institute at Mestek.

16. Mayor's update:

Mayor Sullivan provided an update.

17. School Committee update: none

18. Items for referral to subcommittees: none

19. Old business: none

20. Subcommittee Reports/Recommendations:

a. Reports: none

b. Minutes: Finance Subcommittee, March 13, 2017

Mr. Sullivan moved, Mr. Diaz seconded to approve the March 13, 2017 Finance Subcommittee meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Mr. Sullivan moved, Mrs. Sullivan seconded to approve the March 20, 2017 Finance Subcommittee meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Mr. Sullivan reminded everyone that the Finance Subcommittee will meet on April 5, 2017, at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers to review the proposed 2017-2018 budget.

21. Next regular School Committee meeting: May 1, 2017

Finance Subcommittee meeting, April 5, 2017

Mr. Gosselin, Mr. Duval, and Mr. Sullivan commented about their opportunity read to students on Thursday, March 23, 2017/ROAR.


At 8:16 pm Mrs. Mayhew moved, Mr. Sullivan seconded to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Mr. Stefan Czaprowski, Superintendent of Schools
Clerk – Westfield School Committee

A true copy, Attest:

Diane Mayhew, Secretary
Westfield School Committee

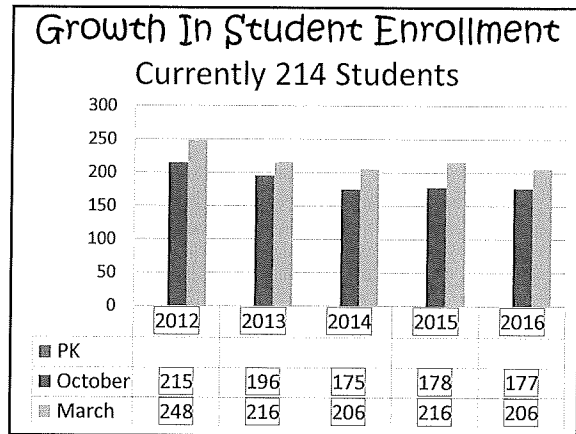
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Fort Meadow Early Childhood Center
Joanne Hentnick, Principal

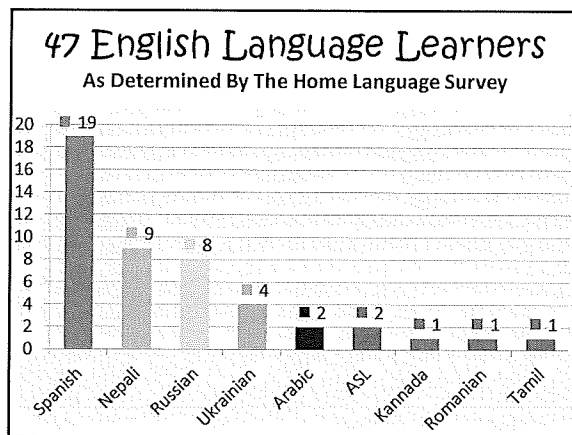
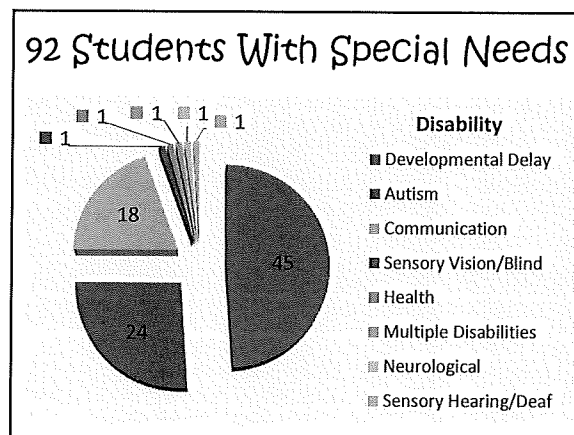
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Student Population

October 1, 2016

Demographics as a % of School	2015	2016	Change
African American	.6	0	-0.6
Asian	2.2	6.9	4.7
Hispanic	16.9	22.3	5.4
White	78.1	68.6	-9.5
Multi-Race, Non-Hispanic	2.2	2.3	0.1
Selected Populations as a % of School	2015	2016	Change
Students With Disabilities	43.3	42.9	-0.4
High Needs	64.6	62.9	-1.7
Economically Disadvantaged	40.4	45.1	4.7



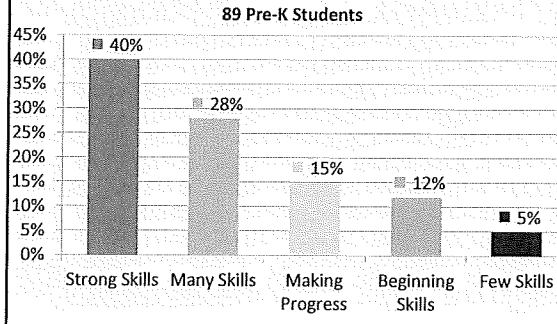
- ### Positive School Climate & Culture
- Establish processes and procedures needed to identify EL students at the preschool level.
 - Connect with and engage families of EL Learners to increase their involvement and engagement with our school.
 - Create a school-wide focus on positive successes

Effective Use of Data

Use Illuminate To Store and Analyze

- Reading & Math benchmark data
- Kindergarten Readiness Profiles for FM students transitioning to K

Get Ready To Read Screening Pre-Kindergarten Students-Winter



Program Improvement

- Prepare for renewing NAEYC accreditation. (self-assessment)
- Explore/compare practices & components of area preschool programs in neighboring towns

Technology Use

- Teacher Training To Use
 - New HP laptops
 - Illuminate
 - Gmail
 - Esped
- Track tuition payments using Power School

Social/Emotional Supports

- Adopt a trauma-informed approach
- Work to prioritize, integrate and evaluate the MA Standards for Social and Emotional Learning and Approaches to Play and Learning

Questions?

