

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Worcester, Massachusetts
Thursday, August 24, 2017
Agenda #19

The School Committee of the Worcester Public Schools met in Open Session at 4:20 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall on Thursday, August 24, 2017.

Vice-Chairman Monfredo chaired the meeting from 4:20 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The invocation was given by Reverend Gary Shahinian of Park Congregational Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered and the National Anthem was played.

There were present at the Call to Order:

Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo and Mr. O’Connell

There was absent: Mayor Petty

APPROVAL OF RECORDS

- 1. aor #7-16 - Clerk Minutes/approval of
(July 27, 2017)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, July 6, 2017.

It was moved and voice voted to approve the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, July 6, 2017.

- 2. aor #7-17 - Clerk Minutes/approval of
(July 31, 2017)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, July 20, 2017.

It was moved and voice voted to approve the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, July 20, 2017.

IMMEDIATE ACTIONRecognition/
Dr. David Perda

3. gb #7-261.1 - Administration/Mayor Petty/
Miss Biancheria/Ms. Colorio/
Mr. Foley/Miss McCullough/
Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell
(July 25, 2017)

To recognize David Perda, Ph.D., Chief Research and Accountability Officer, for his seven years of dedicated service to the students and staff in the Worcester Public Schools.

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REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

4. The Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues met at 4:10 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

Policies/review
of updated/new
policies

gb #5-211 - Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Miss Ramirez/Miss Biancheria (August 11, 2015)

To review the following "updated/new policies" resulting from recent legislation in Massachusetts:

- Physical Restraint Policy JKAA
- Security Cameras in Schools ECAF
- Emergency Plans EBC
- Technology Policies IJND-IJNDC

8-15-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

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8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

5. gb #6-36 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Miss McCullough (January 11, 2016)

Policies/establish
Special Committee for

To establish a Special Committee, consisting of at least three School Committee members, to continue the review of policies proposed for the Worcester Public Schools by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

8-15-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Section C - General School Administration

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CA - Administration Goals.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CB - School Superintendent as amended:

Paragraph 1, sentence 1: change the word "fix" to "set"

Paragraph 1, sentence 3: delete the parenthesis around the word Mayor and delete the word "Selectmen"

Delete Regional School Superintendent section

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CBD - Superintendent's Contract as amended:

Delete NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CBI - Evaluation of the Superintendent as amended:

#1. Delete the following words from the end of the sentence: "by the Superintendent"

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CCB - Line and Staff Relations.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CE - Administrative Councils, Cabinets, and Committees.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CH - Policy Implementation as amended:

Delete NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section CHA - Development of Procedures.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
CHC - Procedures Dissemination.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
CHCA - Approval of Handbooks and Directives as
amended:

Paragraphs 1 and 2: entirely changed
Paragraph 3, sentence 3: change the words "made
available" to "sent."
Delete Source and NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
CHCA-E - Approval of Handbooks and Directives as
amended:

Change #5 to read as follows: When a student is
expelled under the provisions listed above and
applies for admission to another school for
acceptance, the Superintendent **or his/her
designee**

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
CHD - Administration in Policy Absence.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
CL - Administrative Reports.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
CM - School District Annual Report as amended:

Paragraph 1, sentence 2: change the word "town's"
to "cities"
Delete Note
Delete Regional School District Annual Report

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section C
- General School Administration as amended.

Section D - Fiscal Management

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DA - Fiscal Management Goals as amended:

Section DA entirely changed
Delete Source

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DB - Annual Budget as amended:

Section DB entirely changed

Delete Source

Legal Refs.: change to read: "**City Charter and**

M.G.L. 71:34; 71:37; and 71:38N"

Delete NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DB1 - Annual Budget as amended:

Does not apply - remove

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DB1R - Budget – Apportionment of Expenses as
amended:

Does not apply - remove

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DBC - Budget Deadlines and Schedules as
amended:

Section DBC entirely changed

Delete Source

Legal Refs: add "City of Worcester Home Rule
Charter, Article 5, Section 5-1

Delete NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DBD - Budget Planning as amended:

Paragraph 1 – entirely changed

Paragraph 2 – deleted

Paragraph 3 – change "School Committee will
strive to" to "Superintendent is charged with"

Delete Source and NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DBG - Budget Adoption Procedures as amended:

Does not apply - remove

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section
DBJ - Budget Transfer Authority as amended:

Section DBJ entirely changed

Delete Source and Legal Reference

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DD - Funding Proposals and Applications as amended:

Section DD entirely changed
Delete Source, Legal Reference and NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DGA - Authorized Signatures as amended:

Section DGA entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DH - Bonded Employees and Officers as amended:

Last sentence - change the word "town" to "district"
Delete Source, NOTE and Regional School District Bonded Employees and Officers

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DI - Fiscal Accounting and Reporting as amended:

First paragraph - change "will be ultimately" to "is"
Delete Source and NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DIE - Audits as amended:

Section DIE entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DJ - Purchasing as amended:

Section DJ entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DJA - Purchasing Authority as amended:

Section DJA entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DJE - Procurement Requirements as amended:

Section DJE entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DK - Payment Procedures as amended:

Paragraph 2 – entirely changed
Legal Refs: add City of Worcester Revised Ordinances, part Two, Article 11, Section 2
Delete Source, NOTE and Regional School District Payment Procedures

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section DKC - Expense Reimbursements as amended:

Delete Source

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section D - Fiscal Management as amended.

Section - Support Services

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EB - Safety Program as amended:

Delete NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EBAB - Pest Management Policy as amended:

Paragraph 1: Insert "Worcester"
Overview and Goals: Insert "Worcester Public Schools"
Change Legal Ref to Chapter 85 of the Acts of 2000, "An Act to Protect Children and Families from Harmful Pesticides"

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EBB - First Aid.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EBC - Emergency Plans.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EBCD - Emergency Closings as amended:

Paragraph 1: Insert ", delay opening," after close the schools
Paragraph 3 replaced
Delete Source and Cross Ref: EBC

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EC - Buildings and Grounds Management as amended:

Paragraph 1: Changed

Paragraph 2, sentence 2: delete the words "work with other municipal departments, as necessary,"

Delete Source and NOTE

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EC-1 - Buildings and Grounds Management as amended:

Does not apply - remove

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section ECA - Buildings and Grounds Security as amended:

Paragraph 1, sentence 1: change the word "town" to "city"

Paragraph 1, sentence 2: change the words "town" to "city" and "adequately" to "properly"

Paragraph 4, sentence 4: change the word "will" to "should"

Delete Source

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section ECAC - Vandalism as amended:

Paragraph 2, sentence 1: change the word "town" to "city"

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section ECAF - Security Cameras in Schools.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EDC - Authorized use of School Owned Materials as amended:

Paragraph 1, sentence 2: change the word "town" to "city"

Paragraph 2: change to read: School equipment may be **used** by staff **members ...**

Delete Source

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEA - Student Transportation Services as amended:

Section EEA entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAA - Walkers And Riders as amended:

Delete Section: combined with EEA

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAE - School Bus Safety Program as amended:

#2. change to read: Emergency evacuation drills will be conducted **by properly licensed school bus drivers** at least twice a year to acquaint student riders with procedures in emergency situations.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAEA - Bus Driver Examination and Training as amended:

Paragraph 1, sentence 1: change to read: The **Superintendent reserves**

Insert #3 and renumber to 4. 5. and 6:

"No person under 18 years and only persons of high character will be allowed to operate school buses."

#5. change the words "School Committee" with Superintendent"

Delete Source.

Legal Ref: add: Highway Safety Program

Standard No. 17

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAEA-I - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers as amended:

Paragraph 3, sentence 1: change to read:

This program shall comply with the requirements of the **Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Section 382 et seq.**

Delete Source

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAEAC - Student Conduct on School Buses as amended:

Section EEAEAC entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAG - Student Transportation in Private Vehicles as amended:

Delete section: the system does not allow student transportation in private vehicles.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EEAJ - Motor Vehicle Idling on School Grounds as amended:

Section EEAJ entirely changed

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section EFC - Free and Reduced Price Food Services as amended:

Change Title to: School Meal and Child Nutrition Program

Paragraph 2: delete the word "free" and change the word "food" to "meal"

Paragraph 3: change to read as follows:

As required by state and federal regulations, the School Committee approves this policy statement pertaining to eligibility **and access to the school meal programs.**

Delete Source

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section E - Support Services as amended.

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as amended.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section C - General School Administration as amended.

Mr. O'Connell made the following motion:

Request that the Administration seek a legal opinion from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as to whether we should include with that policy the language recommended by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees as to approval of warrants for payment by the School Committee.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section D - Fiscal Management as amended and hold FILE: DK.

It was moved and voice voted to approve Section E - Support Services as amended.

gb #6-39 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria/Ms. Colorio/Miss McCullough (January 11, 2016)

To review the Every Student Succeeds Act, to address its impact on the Worcester Public Schools, and to consider any options which it provides to states and school districts to modify current practices and to reduce present testing, record-keeping and reporting requirements.

8-15-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration review the "Every Student Succeeds Act" to determine whether or not it provides modifications to reduce the current testing and reporting requirements.

On a voice vote the motion was approved.

HOLD

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

gb #7-66 - Miss Biancheria/Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Colorio/Miss McCullough (February 8, 2017)

Request that the Administration present a summary of the changes resulting from the principals' meeting regarding safety.

8-15-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide the School Committee with an update in a Friday Letter on the training in school law for Administration.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

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8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

6. The Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports met at 4:12 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

Later Secondary
School Start
Times/benefits and
drawbacks

gb #4-175 - Ms. Novick/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. Foley/Mr. O'Connell (May 28, 2014)

To consider the possible benefits and drawbacks of later secondary school start times on teaching and learning.

8-16-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O'Connell made the following motions:

Request that the Administration seek the findings of the MASC on the benefits of later start times especially for middle and high schools.

Request that the Administration establish a special study committee comprised of school personnel, community representatives and experts in the field of health to conduct its own research in connection with the advisability of a later start time for secondary school students and report back its findings at a meeting of the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports in December 2017.

Request that the Special Study Committee look into the experience of other districts, especially other urban districts that have scheduled later start times for secondary schools including but not limited to Minneapolis which has had 15 years of experience in later start time.

On a voice vote, the motions were approved.

HOLD

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

gb #6-264 - Mr. O’Connell/Mr. Foley/Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Colorio/Miss McCullough/Miss Biancheria (July 6, 2016)

Gifted Students/enhance the education of

To consider opportunities to enhance the education of the academically gifted students of the Worcester Public Schools, at all appropriate levels.

8-16-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

HOLD for a progress report in November 2017.

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

gb #6-315 - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O’Connell/Ms. Colorio/Miss McCullough/Miss Biancheria (September 7, 2016)

Service Learning Committee/establish

Request that the Administration consider establishing a learning committee to include service learning advocates at all the high schools and within the community whose mission would be to develop a plan at the secondary level and have all secondary schools engage in a service learning project during the 2016-17 school year.

8-16-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O’Connell made the following motions:

Request that the Administration hold the item for the meeting of the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports in November 2017 and request that the administrators of each high school provide a report regarding service learning projects they wish to undertake.

Request that the Administration provide a report on the feasibility of having the middle and elementary schools become involved with service learning projects.

On a voice vote, the motions were approved.

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

Citywide Girls Ice Hockey Team/
consider
establishing

gb #6-334 - Miss McCullough/Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria (September 26, 2016)

Request that the Administration consider the feasibility of establishing a citywide girl's ice hockey team.

8-16-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O'Connell made the following motions:

Request that the Administration provide a report in October 2017 as to the interest in participation in a girls ice hockey team on a Cooperative interschool basis.

Request that the Administration address the individual topics listed in Annex A, page 1 of the backup and report back as to the feasibility of establishing a girls ice hockey team.

It was moved and voice voted to approve the motions.

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

Websites/review
and expand

gb #7-4 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Foley/Ms. Colorio/Mr. Monfredo/Miss McCullough (December 16, 2016)

To urge the individual Worcester public schools, and departments, to review and expand their websites, as a means of (1) increasing the information available through them, (2) showcasing student work and achievements, (3) sharing detailed curricular and programmatic information, and (4) assisting prospective students and parents in making informed decisions as to selection of an appropriate school.

8-16-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O'Connell made the following motions:

Request that the Administration report on the progress made with its recommendations regarding a redesign and update of the WPS website at both the district and school levels.

Request that the Administration provide a report as to the updating of information on the website to keep it current and informative.

Request that the Administration provide a report on the feasibility of including a video on the website as to how to register your child in the Worcester Public Schools.

On a voice vote, the motions were approved.

Hold for a report in November 2017.

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

gb #7-23 - Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Colorio/Mr. Monfredo/Miss McCullough/Miss Biancheria (January 3, 2017)

Online Grading
System

To consider making an online grading system available to all teachers for the 2017-18 academic and fiscal year.

8-16-17 - STANDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O'Connell made the following motions:

Request that the Administration provide a report to the Standing Committee in November 2017 as to options available to the school system for on-line grading systems which would include, but not be limited to, use of N-grade and development of the system's internal grading system. It was further requested that the Administration include a cost benefit analysis for an outside system versus an inside one and take into account the labor and consultation costs in connection with the in-house system.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

8-24-16 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

The School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee as stated.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Recognitions/
forward letters

- 7. gb #7-273 - Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria/
Ms. Colorio/Mr. O'Connell/
Mr. Foley/Mayor Petty

To take a vote collectively to forward letters in response to the following items:

Mr. Monfredo (July 18, 2017)

Request that the Administration forward letters of congratulations, on behalf of the School Committee, to the following students for the inclusion of their writing in "It's Lit," a literary publication:

Rumani Kafle Grade 10	Doherty Memorial High School Inspired by Reading Award - <u>A Eulogy for Clarisse McClellan</u>
Timothy Rosado Grade 12	North High School Purpose Award - <u>My Inspiration</u>
Carlos Silva Grade 12	North High School Inspirational Award - <u>Rise and Shine</u>
Zulimar Quiros Grade 8	Sullivan Middle School Creativity Award - <u>Blackout Poem (Untitled)</u>
Mena Hoac Grade 2	West Tatnuck School Perseverance Award - <u>My Mardi Gras Meet</u>
Jack Miller Grade 6	May Street School Courage Award - <u>Eyes</u>
Arba Kamberi Grade 7	Forest Grove Middle School Award for <u>Life of a Pianist</u>

Miss Biancheria (August 16, 2017)

Request that the Administration forward a letter of congratulations to Ricci Hall for being chosen as a volunteer umpire for the All-star Little League.

It was moved and voice voted to forward letters.

8. gb #7-274 - Administration

Donations/
American Chemical
Society - \$1,499.71/
Lifetouch - \$507.26

To accept by a roll call vote the following donations:

Administration (July 25, 2017)

\$1,499.71 from the American Chemical Society to Worcester Technical High School in recognition of a proposal, submitted by Science teacher, Anna Barrasso

Administration (August 10, 2017)

\$507.26 from Lifetouch to Woodland Academy

It was moved to approve the item.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O'Connell 6

Against the motion: 0

Absent: Mayor Petty 1
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The motion carried.

Mr. O'Connell made the following motion:

Request that Administration provide appropriate background information relative to the donations from both the American Chemical Society and Lifetouch in a Friday Letter.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

9. gb #7-275 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/
Miss Biancheria/Mr. Foley
(July 25, 2017)

Teacher Fellows
Program

To consider participating in the Harvard University's Teacher Fellows Program, with placement of Fellows in the Worcester high schools.

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports.

Prior Fiscal Year Payment/Secretary to the School Committee/
\$2,082.59

- 10. gb #7-276 - Administration (July 25, 2017)

To consider a prior fiscal year payment in the amount of \$2,082.59 for the Secretary to the School Committee.

It was moved to approve the item.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O'Connell	6
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Against the motion:	0
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Absent: Mayor Petty	$\frac{1}{7}$
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The motion carried.

Staff Cell Phone Policy

- 11. gb #7-277 - Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria/ Mr. O'Connell (July 28, 2017)

To consider review of the Staff Cell Phone Policy, due to the implementation of the ALICE Program.

It was moved to approve the following amendment to the Staff Cell Phone Policy, due to the implementation of the A.L.I.C.E. Program:

"A.L.I.C.E. registered cell phones must be turned on vibrate during instructional and/or duty time to communicate with and receive emergency notifications from the COPsync 911 App."

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

WRTA/consider providing bus passes

- 12. gb #7-278 - Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria/ Ms. Colorio/Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Foley (July 31, 2017)

Request that the Administration forward a letter to the City Manager requesting that the Director of the WRTA consider providing passes for students involved in after-school programs such as clubs, sports and tutoring.

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to the Administration for a report at the School Committee meeting to be held on Thursday, September 21, 2017.

- 13. gb #7-279 - Administration (July 28, 2017)

Prior Fiscal Year
Payments/mileage/
\$437.39

To consider approval of prior fiscal year payments in the total amount of \$437.39 for mileage reimbursement for the following staff members from the Department of Special Education and Intervention Services:

Sally Goodhile, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 23.01
Cheryl Dougherty, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 27.82
Jessica Beer, May 2017 Mileage	\$ 29.96
Jessica Beer, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 23.01
Jeana McCann, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 12.57
Jane R. Rosen, May 2017 Mileage	\$ 92.02
Jane R. Rosen, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 61.53
Julianna Masley, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 60.46
Kathleen Smith, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 18.73
Cathleen Desautels, June 2017 Mileage	\$ 88.28

It was moved to approve the item.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O'Connell	6
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Against the motion:	0
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Absent: Mayor Petty	$\frac{1}{7}$
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The motion carried.

- 14. gb #7-280 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/
Miss Biancheria/Ms. Colorio
(August 1, 2017)

Energy Audits

To request energy audits of the facilities which are used but not owned by the Worcester Public Schools.

Prior Fiscal Year
Invoice/\$923.15

15. gb #7-281 - Administration
(August 1, 2017)

To approve prior fiscal year invoice in the amount of \$923.15.

It was moved to approve the item.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O'Connell 6

Against the motion: 0

Absent: Mayor Petty $\frac{1}{7}$

The motion carried.

School
Calendars/
2018-19, 2019-
20 and 2020-21

16. gb #7-282 - Administration
(August 2, 2017)

To approve the proposed 2018-19, 2019-20 and the 2020-21 School Calendars.

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports.

Site Council
Meetings

17. gb #7-283 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/
Miss Biancheria/Ms. Colorio
(August 2, 2017)

To request a list of the places, dates and times of the initial 2017-18 meetings of the Site Councils of the Worcester Public Schools, which, as mandated by Chapter 71, Section 59C of the Massachusetts General Laws, shall hold their first meetings "no later than forty days after the first day of school," and which shall "be broadly representative of the racial and ethnic diversity of the school building and community."

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to the Administration.

- 18. gb #7-284 - Mr. O’Connell/Mr. Monfredo/
Miss Biancheria/Ms. Colorio
(August 2, 2017)

Know Your School
Nights

To request a list of the dates and times of the
Autumn 2017 "Know Your School Nights" of the
Worcester Public Schools.

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to
the Administration.

- 19. gb #7-285 - Miss McCullough/Mr. Monfredo/
Miss Biancheria/Ms. Colorio/
Mr. O’Connell
(August 7, 2017)

Policy/work assigned
and performed at
home on snow days

To explore options and policies regarding work
assigned and performed at home on snow days in
an effort not to extend the school year.

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to
the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and
Student Supports.

- 20. gb #7-286 - Administration
(August 7, 2017)

Courses/Conceptual
Biology and
Integrated Math I/
approval of

To consider approval of the following courses:

Conceptual Biology - New Citizen Center’s Young
Adults’ Program and Secondary Programs

Integrated Math I - New Citizen Center’s Young
Adults’ Program

It was moved to approve the item.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O’Connell	5
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Against the motion: Ms. Colorio	1
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Absent: Mayor Petty	<u>1</u> 7
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The motion carried.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide a report in May on the success of the implementation of the Conceptual Biology and Integrated Math I programs.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Prior Fiscal Year
Payment/
\$350.00

- 21. gb #7-287 - Administration
(August 16, 2017)

To consider a prior fiscal year payment in the amount of \$350.00 made payable to Hampstead Hospital for home tutoring services.

It was moved to approve the item.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O'Connell	6
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Against the motion:	0
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Absent: Mayor Petty	$\frac{1}{7}$
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The motion carried.

Public Relations

- 22. gb #7-288 - Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/
Ms. Colorio/Mr. O'Connell
(August 16, 2017)

Request that the Administration review program and procedural methods that are utilized to advertise the many outstanding strengths of the Worcester Public Schools in order to continue to attract new families to the system.

It was moved and voice voted to refer the item to the Administration.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide a report in December 2017 on the progress made on the website once the position of web designer is filled.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Mr. Monfredo made following motion:

Request that the Administration provide a report on the marketing plan and video for the Worcester Public Schools.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

23. gb #7-289 - Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/
Ms. Colorio/Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Foley
(August 16, 2017)

Belmont Street
Community School/
traffic

Request that the Administration forward a letter to the City Manager with a request that a traffic engineer do a traffic study near Belmont Street Community School and consider:

- installing a blinking light structure before the crosswalk and
- installing lights on the crosswalk

to protect the safety of all student at the school

It was moved and voice voted to forward a letter to the City Manager.

Miss Biancheria and Mr. Monfredo requested that the Administration consider having the Arts Liaison placing some colorful artwork by students on the Belmont Street bridge and on its stairway to make it more appealing.

It was moved to recess to Executive Session.

24. gb #7-290 - Administration
(August 16, 2017)

Executive Session

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining for Teachers and Units A/B, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the collective bargaining position of the School Committee and the chair so declares.

To discuss collective bargaining for Nurses, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the School Committee and the chair so declares.

To discuss collective bargaining for Custodians, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the School Committee and the chair so declares.

To discuss collective bargaining for Custodians, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the School Committee and the chair so declares.

To discuss collective bargaining for Computer Technicians, (Unit D) if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the School Committee and the chair so declares.

To consider an International Union of Public Employees (I.U.P.E.) Grievance Complaint – HVAC Technician

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O’Connell 6

Against the motion: 0

Absent: Mayor Petty $\frac{1}{7}$

The motion carried.

The School Committee recessed to Executive Session from 6:12 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

International
Union of Public
Employees
(I.U.P.E.)
Grievance
Complaint for an
HVAC Technician

- 25. Pursuant to action taken in Executive Session, it was moved to deny an International Union of Public Employees (I.U.P.E.) Grievance Complaint for an HVAC Technician.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O’Connell,
Mayor Petty 7

Against the motion: $\frac{0}{7}$

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Helen A. Friel, Ed.D.
Clerk of the School Committee