

STANDING COMMITTEE: **GOVERNANCE AND EMPLOYEE ISSUES**

DATE OF MEETING: Wednesday, June 14, 2017

ITEM: Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/Miss McCullough/Miss Biancheria
(March 4, 2016)

Request that the Administration encourage schools, with the assistance of the Safety Liaison Officer Robert Pezzella, to establish at their school a Chapter of the "Stand for the Silent," an anti-bullying movement.

PRIOR ACTION:

3-17-16 - Referred to the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues for a report prior to the close of school.

6-1-16 - Request that the Administration provide the number of Chapters of the "Stand for the Silent" Program that were established in the Worcester Public Schools.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration indicate how parents can be more fully involved in the Chapters of "Stand for the Silent" Program in all the schools.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide a report back to the Standing Committee relative to the progress of the individual chapters and the success achieved with involving more parents in the program.

On a voice vote, the motion as approved.

Mr. Monfredo suggested that the principals include information in their newsletters to pique the interest of students and parents in the program.

Mr. Foley made the following motion:

Request that the "Standing for the Silent" Program be run, as an optional activity, by students as a club.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide copies of the programs and procedures for handling bullying in the Worcester Public Schools.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

BACKUP:

Currently no schools have started Chapters of the "Stand for the Silent" Program.