

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
 Worcester, Massachusetts
 Thursday, October 1, 2020
 Agenda #33

The School Committee of the Worcester Public Schools met virtually in Open Session at 5:10 p.m. in Room 410 of the Durkin Administration Building on Thursday, October 1, 2020.

There were present at the Call to Order:

Miss Biancheria, Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Ms. McCullough, Mr. Monfredo and Ms. Novick and

Mayor Petty was absent.

Vice-Chairman Foley stated that the School Committee will recess into Executive Session to discuss the following items:

.1 EXECUTIVE SESSION Executive Session

gb #0-316 - Administration
 (September 23, 2020)

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and to conduct collective bargaining regarding Grievance #20/21-1.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Coronavirus/COVID-19 Related Issues – Educational Association of Worcester, Units A & B (Educators/Administrators); Aides to the Physically Handicapped, Monitors and Drivers; Instructional Assistants; Parent Liaisons; Tutors; and Therapy Assistants.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Coronavirus/COVID-19 Related Issues – NAGE R1-16 Cafeteria Workers.

To discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares – Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination Litigation – Former Employee.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | <u>0</u> 7 |
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The motion carried.

Mayor Petty arrived at 5:45 p.m.

The School Committee recessed to Executive Session from 5:15 p.m. to 7:05 p.m.

The School Committee reconvened in Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

There were present at the second Call to Order:

Miss Biancheria, Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Ms. McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick and Mayor Petty

2. APPROVAL OF RECORDS

Minutes/
approval of

aor #0-37 - Administration
(September 23, 2020)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2020.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the item was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

3. Pursuant to action taken in Executive Session, it was moved to deny Grievance #20/21-1. Grievance #20/21-1/denial of

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to deny Grievance #20/21-1 was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

4. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

ROS #0-9 - Administration
(September 23, 2020)

RENNIE CENTER FOR EDUCATION RESEARCH &
POLICY – REPORT ON THE TECHNOLOGY SECTION
FROM THE STRATEGIC PLAN

Rennie Center for
Educational Research
and Policy – Report on
the Technology section
of the Strategic Plan

Superintendent Binienda introduced Dr. Chad d'Entremont, Executive Director of the Rennie Center for Education Research & Policy and Vibha Honasoge, Operations Coordinator at the Rennie Center. Its mission is to improve public education through well-informed decision-making based on deep knowledge and evidence of effective policy making and practice.

Dr. d'Entremont, Ms. Honasoge and Ms. Nyamekye provided the following overview of the Technology and Operations section of the Strategic Plan.

The district's plan supports increasing use of technology, opening up the possibility for educators to look beyond textbooks for instructional content. By investing in educator professional development related to technology, the district is encouraging individual flexibility and creativity with technology use.

In response to student and educator feedback on the need for technology support, the WPS launched a teacher leadership model in which 100 certified Google trainers known as "iTeachers" train their colleagues.

To complement this training, WPS has increased technology ratios. Starting in the 2020-21 school year, WPS is providing a device for every student and 5,000 hotspots for students who need WiFi access at home.

Educators used technology to connect with families in new ways by engaging in two-way communication with families through videoconferencing and family-school communication apps. The district's response to COVID-19 has furthered strategic plan goals and exemplified a district-wide commitment to technology access and equity.

District leaders are also developing a WPS Caregivers Academy, based upon the urgent need to support families with remote learning. When in-person schooling resumes, the district must develop a plan to repair and/or replace devices at appropriate intervals.

Mayor Petty allowed Ms. Maria Drury to speak.

Ms. Drury stated that she believes that the students need to be in the classroom with the teachers and the technology.

Ms. Novick questioned how the Rennie Center was being paid and how much to which Superintendent Binienda stated that they are being paid \$25,000 through the Barr Grant and that the grant is good until November.

Ms. Novick questioned how much was spent on technology since the pandemic to which Mr. Allen replied that about \$6.2 million dollars was spent or committed to be spent for technology purchases since March.

Superintendent Binienda stated that the three year Technology Plan will be completed this year and will be forwarded to the School Committee at that time.

On a roll call of 7-0, the item was referred to the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues.

5. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The Standing Committee on **Teaching, Learning and Student Supports** met virtually on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 5:08 p.m. in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

(The following items were considered together.)

gb #9-288 - Mr. Comparetto/Mr. Foley/Miss McCullough/Mr. Monfredo (August 28, 2019)

Sex Education Curriculum

Request the establishment of an inclusive and transparent process for selecting and implementing a comprehensive Sex Education Curriculum that is age-appropriate, evidence-based, medically accurate and LGBTQ inclusive in the Worcester Public Schools.

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gb #9-416 - Miss McCullough/Mr. Foley/Mr. Monfredo (December 4, 2019)

"RESPECTfully"
Campaign/include in
the Sex Educational
Curriculum

Request that the Administration consider incorporating the campaign entitled "RESPECTfully" when the Sex Ed Curriculum is established.

HELD

Evidenced-based
Sexual and Health
Curriculum

gb #0-31 - Mayor Petty/Mrs. Clancey/Mr. Foley/Ms. McCullough/Ms. Novick (January 8, 2020)

Request that the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports recommend a comprehensive, inclusive, evidenced-based sexual and health curriculum and an appropriate level of increased classroom time for health education to the school committee for the FY21 budget.

HELD

Chairman McCullough stated that the purpose of this meeting was to provide a stepping off point to move forward in selecting a curriculum. She informed the public that there would be opportunities for parents, students and community members to be a part of the process at a future meeting when evaluating the sex ed curriculum.

Dr. Matilde Castiel, Worcester Commissioner of Health and Human Services, presented an updated version of the Case for a Comprehensive Sexual Education Curriculum in Worcester. She cited statistics and provided recommendations for the adoption of an age-appropriate, evidence-based, medically accurate and LGBTQ inclusive sexual and health curriculum.

Dr. Laurie Ross, member of the Worcester Impact on Sexual Health Task Force (WISH), presented the work that was previously done several years ago when the task force evaluated several different curricular options and was never given the opportunity to present those findings. She stated that the hope of the task force is to have a community dialogue with students and parents, budgetary discussions, training for staff and implementation by the Spring of 2021.

Chairman McCullough spoke to the need for sexual literacy with a focus on sex trafficking. She would like the committee to work with the Department of Health and Human Services in conjunction with the Administration to come up with a curriculum.

Mr. Monfredo stated that instead of waiting for the Senate Bill to be passed, the committee should move ahead with a plan.

Mr. Foley stated that district should adopt a plan quickly with information that is age appropriate and will remain with the students for the rest of their lives.

Superintendent Binienda stated that the Administration has reached out to other districts and found that they don't necessarily use one book, but rather take parts of one curriculum and another to incorporate into their own. She acknowledged that more needs to be done, but also wants to make sure that it is age appropriate for the students and one that is approved by the State.

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration establish a committee consisting of community members, health experts, Health Educators and the CPPAC and report the findings back in January 2021.

On a roll call of 1-2 (yea Mr. Monfredo), the motion was defeated.

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration mandate a 10 week health program for 9th grade students in the 2021-22 school year.

On a roll call of 3-0, the motion was approved.

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration investigate how other communities are handling their health curriculum.

On a roll call of 2-1 (nay Mr. Foley) the motion was approved.

Chairman McCullough made the following motion:

Request that Dr. Castiel provide a short list of potential curricula for the committee to explore that would meet the needs of a comprehensive sex ed plan for the WPS.

On a roll call of 3-0, the motion was approved.

Chairman McCullough made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide an update from the State regarding its timeline of providing regulations for comprehensive sexual education curricula.

On a roll call of 3-0, the motion was approved.

Chairman McCullough made the following motion:

Request that the members of the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports and the Administration develop a timeline by mid-October for the process of selecting a new curriculum and work together with all stakeholders for public input sessions and discussion and consider the timeline that was presented at this meeting.

On a roll call of 3-0, the motion was approved.

Chairman McCullough made the following motion:

Request that the above mentioned items be held in the Standing Committee and be taken up at a meeting in October.

On a roll call of 3-0, the motion was approved.

On a roll call of 3-0, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTION

On a roll call of 7-0, the School Committee approved the action of the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports as stated was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

6. **PERSONNEL**

0-1 The Superintendent has appointed the attached teacher positions for 2020-21. Teacher Positions/
appointment of

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to accept and file the item was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

7. **gb #0-269.1** - Administration/Miss Biancheria/
Mrs. Clancey/Ms. McCullough
(September 14, 2020) Chapter 74 Courses/
highlights of

Response of the Administration to the request to provide a report regarding the remote learning highlights of Chapter 74 courses.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide an update in December on how the students in the Chapter 74 courses are progressing with the remote learning and also provide what the challenges have been thus far.

On a roll call of 7-0, the motion was approved was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

Mrs. Clancey questioned if the students in the Chapter 74 courses are being credited for their vocation hours and the Superintendent stated that they are receiving credits.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to accept and file the item was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

COVID-19 and Remote Learning/ updates on

8. gb #0-286.1 - Administration/Mayor Petty/
Miss Biancheria/Mrs. Clancey/
Ms. McCullough/Mr. Monfredo/
Ms. Novick
(September 23, 2020)

To provide a brief update on COVID-19 and remote learning.

Superintendent Binienda provided a brief update on remote learning as follows:

- There were some difficulties with the Wi-Fi going down in some areas during a storm but was fixed within an hour.
- The Administration has responded quickly to every email that it receives from parents.
- The Administration is also answering calls from parents of Worcester Technical High School students who are inquiring about the Chapter 74 courses and how they will be taught remotely.
- The Administration is still problem solving as it gets the calls. For example, some teachers were having trouble with Google Meet and this resulted in the IT department updating it.

Ms. Kyriazis stated that the district purchased Google Enterprise, which includes the premium features of Google Meet. Mr. Walton has put the system on the rapid, rapid release, which allows these features to come faster as they're being rolled out. There is also a need for more training on how to set up the Google Meet in the classrooms for the teachers.

Ms. McCullough stated that if families are still having problems with connectivity, they should reach out to the IT Department and the Caregivers Academy.

Ms. Novick questioned how the elementary attendance is being calculated and Mrs. Morse stated that it's taken four times a day.

Ms. Novick asked if the Administration could provide an update on work in the buildings on the HVAC system.

Mr. Allen stated that there will be information provided at the October 15th meeting and the contract process, is still ongoing.

Ms. Novick questioned how the food distribution is going.

Mr. Allen stated that the system is working out some of the kinks of the system but is serving an average of 31,000 meals per day, which is a little lower than expected. The system is still looking at ways to expand food delivery options to families.

Ms. Novick suggested that the Administration post on Social Media reminding families that the Friday schedule for the meal pickup time is different than the other days. She also questioned about the learning loss over the Spring and Summer.

Superintendent Binienda stated that the STAR assessment is happening right now and the results will be forward to the School Committee upon completion.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide a report in November regarding the number of meals that have been distributed weekly.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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The motion carried.

Miss Biancheria questioned how the monies in the Budget for the nutrition department is calculated.

Mr. Allen stated that the model that was developed anticipates the number of meals that are being served and the revenue being collected. That's why the district made the difficult decision to furlough members of the Nutrition Department. If the number of meals expand, the staff can be brought back or if meals are not as many, the system may need to furlough additional staff.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide an updated report on the number of furloughs in the Nutrition Department.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Miss Biancheria questioned if there is enough PPE for the teachers and staff in the school buildings.

Mr. Pezzella stated that there is sufficient PPE in stock.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide a report to the School Committee on October 15th relative to the number of teachers who are teaching their class/es remotely from their respective schools.

On a roll call 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to hold the item was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Study Halls/
policy for

9. gb #0-287.1 - Administration/Ms. McCullough/
Miss Biancheria/Mrs. Clancey/
Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick/Mayor Petty
(September 22, 2020)

Response of the Administration to the request to provide an update regarding study halls and any policies currently being followed.

Ms. Novick made the following motion:

Request that the item be held for a written report from DESE regarding study halls.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

Ms. Novick stated that there is nothing in the regulations banning study halls and she has not received anything from DESE indicating the system cannot have them.

Superintendent Binienda stated that she would provide the written response from DESE regarding study halls.

On a roll call of 7-0, the item was held for a written statement from DESE and a request that the Administration provide copies of any policies regarding study halls.

gb #0-288.1 - Administration/Ms. Novick/
Mrs. Clancey/Ms. McCullough
(September 22, 2020)

Department of Children
and Families/student
attendance

Response of the Administration to the request to outline in writing under what circumstances the Department of Children and Families is called regarding a family or child, particularly with regard to student attendance.

Ms. Novick made the following motion:

Request that the item be held for a more detailed report outlining under what circumstances the Department of Children and Families is called regarding a family or child, particularly with regard to student attendance.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

Ms. Mahoney indicated that the same guidelines are being followed during remote learning which is that a staff member will make every effort possible to connect with a student and family if the student has not been participating in remote learning before a 51A is filed.

Mayor Petty stated that he would like to forward the item to the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues for a written policy to be developed.

Ms. Novick made the following motion:

Request that the item be referred to the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Superintendent Binienda stated that there has been an increase in mental health challenges.

Suspensions during 11.
Remote Learning/
clarification of

gb #0-290.1 - Administration/Ms. Novick/
Mrs. Clancey/Ms. McCullough
(September 22, 2020)

Response of the Administration to the request to clarify under what circumstances students will be suspended during remote learning and what suspension will consist of during that time.

Ms. Novick stated that she would like the item held for a more detailed report regarding ways in which a student could be expelled during the remote learning days.

Mayor Petty suggested that the item be held and brought back prior to November 19, 2020.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to hold the item was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

12. gb #0-301 - Administration (September 14, 2020) Recognition/set date

To set a date to recognize Ann Rokosky, an Elementary Art Teacher at Chandler Magnet School, for having been named the Art Teacher of the Year by the Massachusetts Art Education Association.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to set the date of Thursday, October 15, 2020 was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

13. gb #0-302 - Mr. Monfredo/Mrs. Clancey/
Ms. McCullough/Ms. Novick (September 14, 2020) Memorial/
Brian A. O'Connell

Request that the Superintendent establish a committee of community and school representatives in November to consider ways of honoring the memory of former School Committee member Brian A. O'Connell.

Mayor Petty stated that he would like Mr. Monfredo to be the co-chair of the Committee.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to begin the discussion in November of how to honor Brian A. O'Connell was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Mr. Monfredo requested that his item be withdrawn.

Prior Fiscal Year
Payments

14. gb #0-303 - Administration
(September 14, 2020)

To approve the following prior fiscal year payments:

1. \$1,197 to a Principal.
2. \$255.72 made payable to Shred It.
3. \$4,554 made payable to Micronet Associates, Inc. for six computers.
4. \$245.76 made payable to Stericycle/Shred-it for services provided at DAB and Fremont Street in June 2020.
5. \$70.00 made payable to Riverside Community Care.
6. \$564.85 made payable to Harr Companies for services provided.
7. \$425.00 made payable to ATC Group Services LLC for services performed at Thorndyke Road School.
8. \$8,192 made payable to the College Board.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the item was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

Against the motion: 0
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The motion carried.

Chromebooks and
iPads/distribution
of

15. gb #0-304 - Mr. Monfredo/Mrs. Clancey/
Ms. McCullough/Ms. Novick
(September 21, 2020)

Request that the Administration provide an update on the distribution of Chromebooks and iPads and indicate whether additional equipment will be needed in the near future.

Mr. Monfredo requested that connectivity issues throughout the district be included in the report.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to refer the item to the Administration was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
 Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
 Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
 Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

16. gb #0-305 - Miss Biancheria/Mrs. Clancey/
 Ms. McCullough/Mr. Monfredo/
 Ms. Novick
 (September 22, 2020) Diabetes Awareness
 Month

To recognize November as Diabetes Awareness Month and forward information on this disease to families.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to refer the item to the Administration was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
 Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
 Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
 Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

17. gb #0-306 - Administration Donations
 (September 22, 2020)

To approve the following donations in the amounts of:

- \$500 to Worcester Technical High School from the Poetry Foundation.
- \$6,070 to WTHS from the Sarah Daniels Pettit & William O. Pettit, Jr Fund
- \$380 to WTHS from the Thurston E. Solomon & Everett J. Morter Memorial Fund
- \$570 to WTHS from the Saul A. Seder Fund
- \$3,000 to Belmont Street Community School from the Journey Community Church

On a roll call of 7-0, the item was approved.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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The motion carried.

SAT Exams

18. gb #0-307 - Administration
(September 22, 2020)

To consider the cancellation of the SAT Exams for this year due to the pandemic.

Superintendent Binienda stated that a dipstick survey was provided to seniors relative to their desire to take the SAT exam. The Administration received 513 surveys back and 330 students were interested in taking the exam on October 27th at 7:30 a.m.

Miss Biancheria made the following motion:

Request that the Administration inform the students that the WRTA is available at no cost for transportation to and from school sites.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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The motion carried.

Ms. Novick stated that she would volunteer to be a proctor during the SAT exams.

Superintendent Binienda stated that it would be best to keep the students at their respective school because a lot of them walk to school.

Mayor Petty made the following amendment to the item:

To consider offering SAT exams this year.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to amend the item was approved as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

19. gb #0-308 - Ms. Novick/Mrs. Clancey/ Ms. McCullough/Mr. Monfredo (September 23, 2020) Student Enrollment

Request Administration provide an updated full student enrollment report for discussion of possible state advocacy regarding the FY22 budget.

Ms. Novick requested that the Administration provide the report for the October 15th School Committee meeting.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to refer the item to the Administration was as follows:

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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

COVID-19
Infection Data

20. gb #0-309 - Ms. Novick/Mrs. Clancey/
Ms. McCullough/Mr. Monfredo
(September 23, 2020)

Request the Massachusetts Department of Public Health provide COVID-19 infection data broken down by early childhood/elementary/ middle/high demographics.

Mayor Petty made the following motion:

Request that the item also be referred to the Worcester's Department of Public Health.

On a roll call of 7-0, the motion was approved.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

On a roll call of 6-1 (nay Miss Biancheria), the vote to refer the item as amended to the MA Department of Public Health and the Worcester Department of Public Health with a cc to the State Delegation was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

21. gb #0-310 - Ms. Novick/Mrs. Clancey/
Ms. McCullough/Mr. Monfredo
(September 23, 2020) AASA National Data
Dashboard on School
Infections

Request the Department of Elementary and
Secondary Education participate in the [AASA
national data dashboard on school infections.](#)

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to refer the item to
DESE was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

22. gb #0-311 - Ms. Novick/Mrs. Clancey/
Ms. McCullough
(September 23, 2020) School Arrest Data

Request administration clarify school arrest data as
reported to the state for the 2018-19 school year.

gb #0-312 - Ms. Novick
(September 23, 2020)

Fail: School Policing in
Massachusetts

To review the recently released Citizens for
Juvenile Justice and Strategies for Youth report
["Fail: School Policing in Massachusetts."](#)

(These two items were considered together.)

On a roll call 6-1 (nay Mr. Monfredo, the vote to
refer the items to the Standing Committee on School
and Student Performance was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Civil Service
Exam Study
Groups

23. gb #0-313 - Ms. McCullough/Mrs. Clancey/
Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick
(September 23, 2020)

To consider the items filed by the City Council and request WPS consider Councilor Sean Rose's order to offer civil service exam study groups and to research a mechanism for students to acquire school credit for participation in these cohorts.

On a roll call of 7-0, the item was referred to the Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports.

On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick, Mayor Petty | 7 |
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| Against the motion: | $\frac{0}{7}$ |
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The motion carried.

Parent Advisory
Councils and Site
Councils

24. gb #0-314 - Mrs. Clancey/Ms. McCullough/
Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick
(September 23, 2020)

Request that the Administration, after consultation with principals and administrative staff, ensure that the Parent Advisory Councils and Site Councils are still being conducted remotely.

Ms. Novick made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide the Citywide Parent Advisory Council and the Site Council lists to parents.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to refer the item to the Administration was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

25. gb #0-315 - Mrs. Clancey/Ms. McCullough/ Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick IEP Meetings/update on
(September 23, 2020)

Request that the Administration provide a report to contain the number of Spring IEP meetings that need to be scheduled and indicate the way in which the Administration is scheduling these meetings as well as the Fall IEP meetings.

Mrs. Seale stated that there were over two thousand overdue meetings at the end of the 2019-20 school year. There have been 24 evaluation team chairs that have been working to address this issue. To date, 732 IEP meetings have been held, over 600 IEP meetings have been scheduled and there is a process in place to reach out to parents by email and phone calls. If a parent requests an in-person meeting, they will be conducted in a safe manor.

Mayor Petty made the following motion:

Request that the Administration provide an updated report in November regarding the IEP meetings.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to approve the motion was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Ms. Novick requested that the Administration provide a report on the timeline of when a student received an IEP and when they receive assistance with it.

Mrs. Seale indicated that Dr. O'Neil had a work group for coordinating these evaluations.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to refer the item to the Administration was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.

Harvey Ball World Smile Day 26.

Mr. Monfredo stated that Friday, October 2, 2020 is Harvey Ball World Smile Day. Mayor Petty stated that the Harvey Ball was also taken place at night.

On a roll call of 7-0, the vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m. was as follows:

For the motion: Miss Biancheria Mrs. Clancey,
Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough,
Mr. Monfredo, Ms. Novick,
Mayor Petty 7

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

The motion carried.