

LYNNFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MINUTES – Regular Meeting January 5, 2016

Pursuant to notice January 5, 2016 at the High School Media Center at 7:00 PM

Members Present: Mrs. Cleary, Dr. Cammarata, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Hayman
Mrs. Presser

Others Present: Mrs. Tremblay, Mrs. Vernon, 2 members of the press,
Kevin Cyr, Patrick Curran, Robert Cleary, Kiley Choi, Tom Geary, Ricki Shankland,
Pat Campbell, Bob McDonald, Chief Breen

Mrs. Cleary opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

1. Student Advisory Report - Kiley Choi
Kiley spoke about activities at the High School, noting how successful and festive the Deck the Halls event was before the holiday break.
2. Minutes for Approval
Mrs. Presser MOVED to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 15, 2015 and the Budget Workshop minutes of December 4, 2015. Dr. Cammarata seconded the motion.

VOTED: Unanimously in favor

3. School Resource Officer Report
Officer Curran, Mr. Cyr and Mrs. Shankland reported to the Committee on the effectiveness of the new School Resource Officer position. Mr. Curran reviewed previous positions he has held that contributed to him being a good fit for this job. Mrs. Shankland canvassed students and teachers about the new position and some of the consistent themes were: trusted adult, safe feeling, relationship building and friendliness/approachability. She said students are “drawn to him”. Both Mr. Cyr and Mrs. Shankland stressed how they work as a “team” with Mr. Curran. They spoke about how building relationships with students allows them to be proactive and preventative when they detect a situation with a student(s).

Mr. Cyr stated that, just like the technology initiative, the School Resource Officer’s role will look very different a year from now. Safety planning that includes evacuation plans for buildings, will be a focus next year.

4. High School Program of Studies
Mr. Cleary presented the changes/additions to the High School Program of Studies for next year. There are 9 areas where changes will be made and 4

new courses will be offered. Mrs. Tremblay had questions about the Dual Enrollment program and Mr. Cleary stated that it was not part of the Program of Studies.

5. Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Tremblay reported on the following:

- Professional Development ½ day on December 23, 2015. Some of the activities that took place were: SPED Benchmark Assessments, Science lessons, analyzing PARC assessments for ELA, Maker Space and team building strategies.

6. Public Participation

Mrs. Campbell came before the Committee. Some of the subjects she spoke about were: the closing of Union Hospital and how it will affect our staff and students, early release days disrupt student learning, compare our testing scores to high performing communities, encourage life time sports, the PTO email and safety at car wash fundraisers.

7. Matters for Action

Dr. Cammarata MOVED to approve the Hockey Trip to Martha's Vineyard from February 13 - February 14, 2016. Mr. Doyle seconded the motion.

VOTED: Unanimously in favor

Mrs. Presser MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Doyle seconded the motion.

VOTED: Unanimously in favor

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Myra Vernon
School Committee Secretary

High School Program of Studies information
School Resource Officer Report

