

## Minutes - Regular Meeting January 9, 2018

Pursuant to notice January 9, 2018 at the Al Merritt Media and Cultural Center at 6:30 PM

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

Others Present: Mrs. Tremblay, Mrs. Borseti, Mr. Blyden, Mr. Cleary, Ms. Kathryn Larson, Ms. Ford & Mrs. Ford, Ms. Jungk, Ms. Celli and four members of the community, two members of the press.

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Mr. Doyle opened the meeting at 6:30

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1. Minutes presented for approval: December 12, 2017  
Mr. Hayman MOVED to approve the Minutes for the regular meeting December 12, 2017.  
Mrs. Presser seconded the motion. Unanimously in favor

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2. Student Council Report  
Student Council President Mia Ford reported on the current happenings at Lynnfield High School:
  - Midterms are next week
  - Student Council will give out muffins and egg sandwiches on the first day of midterms
  - Snowball on January 20th; pick one name out of hat for a free snowball ticket
  - Seniors getting ready for the end of high school - second semester internship opportunities

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3. Baystate Textiles Check Presentation  
Ms. Kathryn Larson the Recycling Development Coordinator for Baystate Textiles presented Mrs. Tremblay with a \$275.00 check for the Lynnfield Public Schools for winning the Back to School contest by collecting 17,975 lbs of recycling materials. Ms. Larson spoke about working with the PTO's, Mrs. Tremblay and Mr. Tomasz to spread the awareness for unwanted textiles and the schools earning money in the process. Mrs. Tremblay commented the PTO's started participating in the program as a way to bring in revenue to help pay of the parent speaker series.

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4. Discussion 2018-2019 Incoming METCO students  
Mr. Blyden updated The Committee the school year and current enrollment of 37 METCO students at Lynnfield Public Schools. The breakdown by school is:
  - LHS - 10 students
  - LMS - 11 students
  - HHS - 9 students
  - SSS - 7 studentsMr. Blyden is requesting admission for four kindergarten students in 2018-2019 two of would be siblings to current students.  
The Committee discussed the following points:
  - Number of students lost over the years
  - Replacing students
  - Grade students brought into program
  - Does bringing in siblings enhance the chance of a successful studentMr. Blyden responded yes sibling students are more successful in the METCO program as the family already knows the program and expectations and support in place.  
Mr. Blyden briefly reviewed what he has been doing the last few months and will give a more in-depth presentation at the March 27th School Committee meeting to be held in Boston.

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5. Discussion 2018-2019 Educatius Program

Mr. Cleary introduced two current Educatius students, Ms. Marika Jungk from Germany and Ms. Laura Celli from Italy, to The Committee. Ms. Jungk and Ms. Celli spoke about their experiences in the Lynnfield Public Schools through the Educatius program.

Ms. Jungk already graduated in Germany. She spoke about:

- Chose LHS for the music and graphic design (art) opportunities
- Loves the new subjects and meeting new people
- Feels it's important to get to know english language and use everyday
- Extracurricular activities included: Cross Country, Art Club, Chorus, Drama
- Wishes she was staying all year
- Family coming to visit in the summer

Ms. Celli has another year of school to finish in Italy. Ms. Celli agreed with Ms. Jungk's comments and spoke about:

- Enjoys school and family
- Difficult at the start transitioning
- Freedom to select subjects; opportunity to learn new thing
- Teachers helpful
- Extracurricular activities included: Music and Drama

Both girls found Lynnfield people very welcoming and enjoyed learning/understanding a new culture different from what they are used to. Their favorite part of the experience has been the people. In response to The Committee inquiry regarding where they will apply for college they are both considering colleges in the United States.

Mr. Cleary then gave the historical background on Lynnfield's participation in the Educatius program including:

- Lynnfield's 5th year participating
- Average six (6) students a year
- Earlier arrival in US for students; orientation program
- Application, screening and SEVIS process and one year stay requirements for students
- Local Coordinator; Mrs. Barbara Langill
- Host families; including families who are repeat host families to students in the program
- School and community involvement eases transition
- Use of Compass Program mentors for connection/face around the school

During discussion the following were discussed:

- Full year/one semester breakdown; split - only take one semester students in the fall
- Fully funded through educatius including ELL
- Good group host families
- Trend in coming to Lynnfield; all over - small school, AP courses, academics, athletics, music/drama program

Mr. Cleary is requesting up to ten students be admitted to the Educatius program for the 2018-2019 school year. The Committee will vote at the next meeting.

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#### 6. Lynnfield High School Program of Studies

Mr. Cleary presented the Lynnfield High School Program of Studies 2018-2019 additions and changes which included:

Addition courses:

- Advanced Placement European History - 5 credits full year
  - Survey showed student interest
  - Opportunity for student to follow passion
  - Pending College Board approval and class enrollment numbers
- Advanced Placement 2D Studio Art - 5 credits full year
- Advanced Placement Photo - 5 credits full year
  - Both AP Art Courses are more independent studies

- Yearlong endeavor that builds a portfolio
- Structured course; rubric, scored
- Allows students to focus and explore talents
- Meditation and Mindfulness - 1 credit semester
  - Gives students focus
  - Help recharge batteries
  - Train five staff members for ability to offer various times
  - Class vs. Club core of a commitment
  - Students use template or journal

Edits to current courses:

- Geometry CP - 5 credits full year
  - Change in wording
- Foreign Language
  - Separate Honors and CP classes
- Advanced Placement Chemistry with Lab - 6 credits full year
  - Chemistry revamped; needed updates

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7. Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Tremblay shared the following updates and happenings in the schools with The Committee:

- Only in school for four days since Holiday Break
- Two snow days; commend the Mr. Tomasz & DPW crew for extraordinary job on schools and parking lots
- College Acceptances to date

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8. Public Participation none

9. Matters for Action:

Vote: Extended Field Studies Pioneer Singers trip to New York City May 19 - May 21, 2018

Mr. Hayman **MOVED** to approve the Extended Field Studies Pioneer Singers trip to New York City May 19-21, 2018. Mrs. Presser seconded the motion. Unanimously in favor

Vote: Policy changes first group

Vote to approve the changes to policies: BB, BBA, BBAA, BBBA/BBBB, BBBC, BBBE, BCA, BDA, BDB, BDD, BDE, BDFA, BDFA-E-1, BDFA-E-2, BDFA-E-3, BDG, BE, BEDB, BEDC, BEDD, BEDF, BEDG, BEDH, BEE, BG, BGB, BGC, BGCA, BGD, BGE, BGF, BHC/GBD, BHD, BHE, BIA, BIBA, BID, BJ, BK

Mr. Hayman **MOVED** to approve the changes to policies: BB, BBA, BBAA, BBBA/BBBB, BBBC, BBBE, BCA, BDA, BDB, BDD, BDE, BDFA, BDFA-E-1, BDFA-E-2, BDFA-E-3, BDG, BE, BEDB, BEDC, BEDD, BEDF, BEDG, BEDH, BEE, BG, BGB, BGC, BGCA, BGD, BGE, BGF, BHC/GBD, BHD, BHE, BIA, BIBA, BID, BJ, BK  
Mrs. Presser **SECONDED** the motion. Unanimously in favor.

Mr. Hayman opened discussion on Policy BDA regarding term limits. During the discussion Mr. Hayman suggested amending Policy BDA to extend the term limits from two to three years Instead of removing the term limits. After much discussion The Committee members agreed having a three year term would be more consistent for contract negotiation.

Mrs. Presser **MOVED** to revise Policy BDA to reflect the change from a two a three year term limit  
Mr. Doyle **SECONDED** the motion. Unanimously in favor.

Second group:

Vote to approve removal of policies: BEDC, BGCA, GBD, BHD

Mr. Sjoberg MOVED to approve removal of policies: BEDC, BGCA, GBD, BHD. Mrs. Presser SECONDED the motion. Unanimously in favor.

Dr. Cammarata MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:41. Mr. Hayman SECONDED the motion. Unanimously in favor

Respectfully submitted  
Diane Borseti  
School Committee Secretary

Documents referenced:  
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Lynnfield High School Program of Studies