

Winchester Board of Education

Type of Meeting: Board of Ed Retreat – Special Meeting

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020

Location: East End Park

I. Call to order - 9:11 AM

II. Roll call - Doug Pfenninger, Kristin Peterson, Tara Sundie, Richard Dutton, Cheryl McGlynn, Nora Mocarski, Alex Propfe, Melony Brady-Shanley

III. Equity and Education

a) Current District Initiatives - MBS spoke at length regarding initiatives currently in the district such as Second Step, DARE, Tiered Social Groups, etc. Students also attend Riverfront Recapture to build on their team-building and problem-solving skills.

b) Future Initiatives and Implementation Plan

- a. Quarterly demographic report to the BOE
- b. Curriculum and Resource Enhancements and Review
- c. Student experiences that focus on equity and empathy
- d. Student/Staff relationship building
- e. Identification of safe spaces in the building related to culture, LGBTQ, etc.
- f. 'Parents Training Staff' experience/professional development
- g. BOE will develop an inclusivity statement along with an action plan
- h. MBS is directed to develop a team that is representative of our community to address this important work.
- i. MBS to provide a detailed plan to the BOE in October 2020.

IV. Five Year Planning Directive

- a. WBOE is reviewing the district layout with regards to operational structure, grade levels, and legislative initiatives.

**Motion** to direct Superintendent Melony Brady Shanley to prepare a district Five-Year District Plan and submit it to the Winchester Board of Education for their review and approval.

First: C. McGlynn, Second: D. Dutton → U, 7-0

**Motion** to authorize the Winchester Board of Education to approach the Winsted Board of Selectmen to collectively draft and submit legislation regarding the relationship between the Winchester Board of Education and the Gilbert School Corporation. And that any proposed legislation created by this joint committee shall be submitted to the full Winchester Board of Education before submission to the State of Connecticut Legislature.

First: C. McGlynn, Second: K. Peterson → U, 7-0

V. Superintendent's Contract

**Motion** to approve the three Superintendent's contract addendums of the for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023 as proposed.

First: R. Dutton, Second: C. McGlynn → U, 7-0

VI. Adjournment - 12:16 PM

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 am

First: K. Peterson, Second: T. Sundie → U. 7-0