

Type of Meeting: Regular BOE Meeting Agenda

Location: Town Hall – Hicks Room

Date: January 14, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Facilitator: Melony Brady-Shanley, Superintendent  
Doug Pfenninger, BOE Chairman

Members: Nora Mocarski, Kristin Peterson, Richard Dutton, Alexandria Propfe, Cheryl McGlynn, Michelle Hintz, Shana DeVaux, and Tara Sundie

Call to order @ 7:01pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call

Doug Pfenninger, Nora Mocarski, Kristin Peterson, Richard Dutton, Alexandria Propfe, Michelle Hintz, and Tara Sundie, Melony Brady-Shanley, Nancy O’Dea-Wyrick, Seamus Cullinan, Rosanne Fields, Barbara Silverio

Absent Excused: Cheryl McGlynn  
Absent Unexcused: Shana DeVaux

Agenda Review Discussion Possible Action:

- a) Regular Board of Education Agenda: January 14, 2020  
MOTION to add “Discussion of Gilbert High School’s proposed SRO” as “f” under “New Business and Possible Action”  
First: Dutton, Second: Peterson → U

Comments from the Chairman - None

Presentations:

- a) Exploration Charter School  
Jill Johnson presented history, purpose, and overview of Explorations. Enrollment is filled to capacity at 92 students, and 15 are on a waiting list. Ms. Johnson encourages persons to come and take a tour
- b) Preliminary Budget Information – Fiscal Year 2021  
Special Budget Meeting on 1/13/20 yielded a request for a range of charges from Gilbert School Corp to the Winchester Public Schools.  
This range provided by Head of Schools Tony Serio was from \$7,087,070 to \$7,333,000
- c) 2nd Quarter Financial Report  
Pages 3-9 were presented by N. O’Dea-Wyrick
- d) Audit Fiscal Year 2019 - Complete  
Audit conducted by King and King. This is a celebratory item because not one issue was found. N. O’Dea-Wyrick and her team was recognized for a fantastic report

Gilbert Report:

Steve Sedlack presented highlights.

Public Hearing:

Five minutes allotted to each speaker per Board Policy #9325 No BOE employee, student, or community member should be defamed within a public comment.

None.

Consent Agenda Items Discussion Possible Action:

- a) Minutes of Regular BOE Meeting – December 10, 2019  
MOTION to approve  
First: Dutton, Second: Sundie → U

Correspondence to the Board:

None.

Superintendent's Reports & Action Items Discussion Possible Action:

- a) Superintendent's Report - Pages 15-16 were read into the record  
b) School Enrollment - Page 17 read into the record.  
c) Chronic Absences - Page 18 read into the record.  
d) Gilbert Enrollment - Page 19 read into the record.  
e) New Hire - Jessica Seymour  
f) Monthly Budget Summary - In the black \$35,485  
g) Update on Legal Case - Hinsdale

Board Action Items:

- a) Approval of Literacy Foundation & Crowdfunding  
MOTION to approve  
First: Hintz, Second: Propfe → U
- b) Approval of Scheduled Meetings 2020-2021  
MOTION to approve scheduled meetings  
First: Sundie, Second: Dutton → U
- c) Line Item transfers  
MOTION to approve line item transfers as presented on page 11  
First: Dutton, Second: Peterson → U

Unfinished Business:

New Business Discussion and Possible Action:

- a) Policy # 3410(a) Systems of Accounts 2<sup>nd</sup> read  
MOTION to approve: First: Mocariski, Second: Sundie → U
- b) Policy # 3430 Periodic Financial Reports 2<sup>nd</sup> read  
MOTION to approve: First: Mocariski, Second: Peterson → U
- c) Policy # 3432/3433 Budget & Expense Report/Annual Financial Statement 2<sup>nd</sup> read  
MOTION to approve: First: Mocariski, Second: Peterson → U
- d) Policy # 5142(a) Students / Student Safety 2<sup>nd</sup> read  
MOTION to approve: First: Mocariski, Second: Dutton → U
- e) Policy # 3171-1 Non-Lapsing Educational Fund 2<sup>nd</sup> read  
MOTION to approve: First: Mocariski, Second: Sundie → U
- f) Discussion of Gilbert High School's proposed SRO  
Discussion clarified that the Winchester Board is not interested in hiring an SRO for grades Pre-K to 6th for, but not limited to, the following reasons:
- Police response from downtown would most likely be just as fast, or faster, in responding to an issue at an elementary school because the SRO would most likely be located at The Gilbert School.

- Concern raised about research suggesting the disproportionate numbers of minority and Special Education students more likely negatively impacted by an SRO than other school-aged populations.
- Question raised as to whether financial resources might be better spent on other services to help students and families such as hiring social workers or psychologists rather than an SRO
- Question raised as to who would pay overtime
- Objection raised against an armed SRO in the elementary schools
- Question raised whether a security guard for afternoon classes and after school programs would be a better investment instead of an armed SRO

Executive Session:

MOTION to enter into Executive Session inviting Superintendent Brady-Shanley at 8:40pm to discuss WPS/Gilbert Negotiations and WPS Superintendent Mid-Year Evaluation.

First: Hintz, Second: Sundie → U

- WPS / Gilbert Negotiations
- WPS Superintendent Mid-Year Evaluation

MOTION to exit out of Executive Session at 9:48pm

First: Hintz, Second: Propfe → U

Adjourn

MOTION to adjourn at 9:49pm

First: Dutton, Second: Propfe → U