

MINUTES – WAYLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Special Meeting – June 12, 2015

A Special Meeting of the Wayland School Committee was held on Friday, June 12, 2015, at 8:30 A.M. in the School Committee Room of the Wayland Town Building.

Present were:

Ellen Grieco, Chair
Barb Fletcher, Vice Chair
Kathie Steinberg

Absent:

Donna Bouchard
Jeanne Downs

Also:

Paul Stein
Superintendent

Susan Bottan
Business Administrator

Chair Ellen Grieco convened the Special Session at 8:38 a.m.

1. **Approval of the 1:1 Maintenance Fee:**

It was noted that the middle school maintenance fee was approved at the June 8th School Committee meeting, and since three members will have children at the high school, it was necessary to file the Ethics Disclosure Form with the Town Clerk.

Upon a motion duly made by Barb Fletcher, seconded by Ellen Grieco, the School Committee voted unanimously (3-0) to invoke the Rule of Necessity for this vote, as Barb and Ellen will have a high school student next year. They also filed the necessary disclosure form with the Town Clerk.

Barb explained that the vote will approve changing the high school laptop maintenance fee to \$66.00 for the 2015-2016 school year. The fee will also cover the Worth insurance cost, which covers cracked screens, liquid spills, theft, vandalism, natural disasters, and common computer repairs, as well as the charger repair and replacement charger.

Paul noted that the fee is connected to getting the maintenance plan, but it is not a required fee. He strongly recommended that the fee be paid to support the program.

Barb Fletcher made a motion to implement the 1:1 maintenance fee of \$66.00 at the High School for the 2015-2016 school year, which is optional.

Upon a motion duly made by Barb Fletcher, seconded by Ellen Grieco, the School Committee voted unanimously (3-0) to withdraw the first motion.

Upon a motion duly made by Barb Fletcher, seconded by Ellen Grieco, the School Committee voted unanimously (3-0) to put in place for the 2015-2016 school year the 1:1 laptop maintenance fee at the High School in the amount of \$66.00 per student.

2. **Comments from the Public:**

Molly Upton read a statement regarding the posting of the Athletic Director's position. She commented that there aren't postings on the MIIA website or in the larger newspapers. Molly commented on the allegations made by the current Athletic Director and suggested to the School Committee that they take steps to ensure that past practices will not continue.

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Paul responded that all district positions are advertised on an online application service called SchoolSpring. The Athletic Director's position was posted on June 4. He also noted that the district does not advertise in newspapers, such as the Boston Globe, because of the exorbitant costs.

Alice Boelter commented that the School Committee teaches by example and that it is responsible for the wellbeing of the youth in Wayland. She encouraged the Committee to keep asking questions, because, in her opinion, there is a lot to be discovered in the books of Wayland.

3. **Adjournment:**

Upon a motion duly made by Barb Fletcher, seconded by Kathie Steinberg, the School Committee voted unanimously (3-0) to adjourn the Special Session at 8:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Stein, Clerk
Wayland School Committee

Observers:

Molly Upton, Wayland
Alice Boelter, Wayland

Corresponding Documentation:

1. Agenda
2. Memo from Leisha Simon re: the WHS and WMS 1:1 Laptop Maintenance Fee