

## MINUTES OF WESTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Case House

January 30, 2017

A meeting of the Weston School Committee was called to order at 7:03 PM at Case House by Mrs. Danielle Black, Chair. In attendance were Mr. Alex Cobb, Dr. Ed Heller and Dr. Sanjay Saini of the Weston School Committee. School Committee member Mr. John Henry participated remotely.

Also present were Mrs. Elizabeth Nagarajah, METCO Representative to the School Committee; Jack Mullany, Student Representative to the School Committee; and members of Administrative Council (Mrs. Pamela Bator, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Cynthia Mahr, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Lee McCanne, Director of Information Technology and School Libraries; Dr. Midge Connolly, Director of Student Services; Mr. Anthony Parker, Weston High School Principal; Ms. Jennifer Faber, Woodland School Principal; Mr. Matthew Lucey, Field School Principal; and Ms. Erin Maguire, Country School Principal),

Mrs. Black welcomed people to the meeting and introduced all. She noted there was one agenda item. She asked for public comments on any other issue. There were no comments from the public.

### Superintendent Search – Next Steps

Mrs. Black proposed the School Committee seek to fill the remaining two years of the Superintendent contract by conducting an internal search. She said there were several members of the Administrative team who had the required licensure. Dr. Heller and Mr. Henry concurred an internal search, an administrator who has been in the district, would provide the type of leadership Weston needs at this time. The Committee discussed. Mrs. Black requested that Mrs. Mahr prepare a posting go out with applications due by February 7. The Committee discussed a timeline to announce and interview applicants. Mrs. Black said that all applicants would be announced publicly on February 8 with a schedule for public forums and interviews in the subsequent week, necessitating a change in the February 13 meeting agenda.

Dr. John McKenzie, resident, and Mr. David Poras, Weston faculty member, offered suggestions for the forums and the opportunity to provide feedback. Resident Mr. Richard DaVito expressed concern regarding the vetting process for hiring the superintendent. Mrs. Black noted that is why they are looking at internal candidates first. Mr. Cobb noted the School Committee wants to do what is best for Weston. No action taken.

### Adjournment

MOTION: Upon motion made by Mr. Cobb and seconded by Dr. Heller, the School Committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:58 PM.