MINUTES - WAYLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE Executive Session II - February 3, 2014



A Translative Session of the Wayland School Committee was held on Monday, February 3, 2014, at 9:54 P.M. in the School Committee Room of the Wayland Town Building.

Present were:
Barb Fletcher, Chair
Beth Butler, Vice Chair
Malcolm Astley
Ellen Grieco
Donna Bouchard

Also: Paul Stein

Superintendent of Schools

Brad Crozier Assistant Superintendent

1. Executive Session:

Subsequent to a roll call vote in Regular Session on a motion brought by Malcolm Astley, seconded by Ellen Grieco, the Committee voted unanimously (5-0) to enter Executive Session at 9:54 p.m., as permitted under M.G.L. Chapter 30A, §21(a)(5) to investigate charges of criminal misconduct and to continue to discuss next steps regarding the METCO account, and per M.G.L. 30A §21(a)(1) to discuss the Open Meeting Law complaint filed by George Harris on January 8, 2014 regarding Executive Session minutes, and per M.G.L. 30A §21(a)(3) with regard to negotiating strategy with all school unions (WTA, WESA, Custodians and Food Service workers). The Committee will pass over the public records request. Also per M.G.L. 30A Chapter 22 to approve Executive Session minutes of December 16 and the first executive session of January 6, 2014. The School Committee will reconvene in Open Session for adjournment purposes only, unless there is something that was not reasonably anticipated by the Chair. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Roll Call	Yes	No
Barb Fletcher, Chair	X	
Beth Butler, Vice Chair	Х	
Malcolm Astley	X	
Ellen Grieco	Χ	
Donna Bouchard	X	

2. Continued Discussion of Next Steps re: METCO Account (M.G.L. 30A Sect. 21(a)(7) and Chapter 214, §1B – Right to Privacy related to Confidential Information Received from Auditor or M.G.L. 30A §21(a)(5):

Barb updated the Committee on her conversation with Mark Lanza regarding his call from the office. The Committee also discussed the records subpoena from the turn over documents by February 13, 2014.

Barb noted that Mark Lanza will notify the considering contacting the Inspector General-

The School Committee also discussed whether they should give Jim Powers the credit card statements for 2010 - 2012 that Mabel received and provided to the Committee.

The School Committee will defer all decisions until the next meeting on February 6. The Committee discussed how to move forward as a Committee while conducting a careful and deliberate process.

3. <u>Discussion of Open Meeting Law Complaint Filed by George Harris on January 8, 2014 re: Executive Session Minutes (M.G.L. 30A §21(a)(1):</u>

Donna noted that the Executive Session minutes that were released and agreed upon by the Committee had a number of redactions, even though the task was to release more information regardless of redactions.

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While reviewing the Executive Session Minutes of 2008 and 2009, Donna made recommendations to the School Committee to keep or redact some information. The Committee discussed each one in terms of privileged information.

2008

March 8

March 31 (release)

May 12

June 2

July 7 (#2) (already released by Barb)

July 28

August 25

August 29

September 15

October 20

2009

January 5

March 2

March 12 (follow up with John Senchyshyn)

March 23 (follow up with John Senchyshyn)

April 6 (follow up with John Senchyshyn)

June 1

June 1 (#2)

June 8

June 22

August 31

September 29

October 13

November 9

November 18 (follow up with John Senchyshyn)

November 30

December 7

This task will be revisited at a future meeting.

The School Committee reviewed the draft letter in response to the Open Meeting Law complaint regarding Executive Session minutes of 2009 and discussed George Harris's four points in the complaint regarding roll call votes that were not taken. Beth made some recommendations and the Committee agreed to changes in the response.

Upon a motion duly made by Malcolm Astley, seconded by Beth Butler, the School Committee <u>voted</u> unanimously (5-0) to authorize Barb to send the response letter as amended by Barb and Beth. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Roll Call	<u>Yes</u>	No
Barb Fletcher, Chair	X	
Beth Butler, Vice Chair	Χ	
Malcolm Astley	Х	
Ellen Grieco	X	
Donna Bouchard	X	

4. <u>Discussion of Public Records Request by Donna Bouchard and Release of documents related to Negotiating Strategy with WTA, WESA, Custodians and Food Service Workers (M.G.L. 30A, §21(a)(1): This agenda item was tabled.</u>

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5 Approval of Minutes:

- December 16, 2013
- January 6, 2014 (1 & 2)

The approval of minutes was tabled until February 6.

6. Adjournment:

Upon a motion duly made by Donna Bouchard, seconded by Ellen Grieco, the School Committee <u>voted</u> unanimously (5-0) to adjourn the Executive Session at 11:07 P.M. and reconvene in Open Session. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

<u>Roll Call</u>	Yes	No	
Barb Fletcher, Chair	X		
Beth Butler, Vice Chair	Х	•	
Malcolm Astley	Χ		
Ellen Grieco	Х		
Donna Bouchard -	X		

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Stein, Clerk

Wayland School Committee

Corresponding Documentation:

- 1. Open Meeting Law Complaint of January 8, 2014
- 2 Draft Response to the OML Complaint of January 8, 2014
- Email from Beth Butler re: George Harris OML Complaint
- 4. Executive Session Minutes of December 16 and January 6, 2014 (1 & 2) (tabled)
- 5. Executive Session Minutes of 2008 and 2009