

School Committee Briefs

At the June 16 School Committee meeting...

- Learned about the graduation ceremony for the Barrington High School Class of 2016, learned that Hampden Meadows School student Connor Marley won the First Place Award in the national Grade 4 Math Kangaroo Contest, and that Barrington Middle School students George Promades, Sean Imbusch, and Ryan Rodrigues were winners in the FRA Americanism Essay Contest. To view the entire Achievement Recognition presentation, click [here](#).
- Recognized Mrs. Elizabeth Levesque, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, for her exemplary work and contributions to the district in that role and extended congratulations and best wishes to her in her new role, effective June 30, as Office Clerk, Hampden Meadows School.
- Received a status report, in the Spotlight on Teaching and Learning, from Barrington Middle School (BMS) Science faculty members Mr. Matthew Alder and Mr. Peter McFarland about the innovative BMS Science Curriculum work with Next Generation Science Standards. To view the BMS Science Status Report presentation, click [here](#).
- Welcomed the 2016-2017 Student Representative to the School Committee, Mr. Eli Shea, to the School Committee for his first meeting and learned about his interest in the role.
- Learned about the K-12 Student Achievement Data Report from Barrington High School Principal Mr. Joseph Hurley, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Mrs. Paula Dillon (reporting for BMS,) Hampden Meadows School Principal Mrs. Tracey McGee, Sowams School Principal Mr. James Callahan, Primrose Hill School Principal Mrs. Patricia Tolento and Nayatt School Principal Ms. Tracey Whitehead. To view the K-12 Student Achievement Data Report, click [here](#).
- Received an update from Barrington High School Principal Mr. Joseph Hurley about the next steps planned for work on identified priorities as a result of the ongoing analysis of the Stanford University Challenge Success Survey data; learned that the BHS School Improvement Team will use the data to guide decisions relative to its goals for the 2016-2017 academic year.
- Received a Barrington Middle School (BMS) Building Project update, including a status report on ongoing work with the Owners Project Manager and Kaestle Boos Associates, Inc. and a report relative to a site visit by the Administration to Freetown Lakeville (MA) Middle School; learned that the enabling legislation for the BMS bond referendum (as included in the FY17 budget) has been approved by House floor vote and by the Senate Finance Committee, and the budget is scheduled for Senate floor vote on June 17; learned that the BMS Building Committee will meet next on June 27 to consider approval of the conceptual plans as adjusted per direction. To view the Barrington Middle School Building Project website, click [here](#).
- Received an update on the budget, including plans to continue to monitor enrollment and the allocation of resources throughout the summer; learned that the recently approved FY17 budget for State Aid from the Rhode Island Department of Education will require close scrutiny to confirm potential increases in Categorical funding.
- Learned about the process, including blind scoring, for population of the School Start Times (SST) Ad Hoc Advisory Committee; received the announcement from the Superintendent

relative to the membership of the SST Ad Hoc Advisory Committee and learned that the Superintendent has appointed Dr. Suzanne Costa, K-12 Library Department Head, as Project Manager for the SST Initiative.

- Learned that, on June 17, the Superintendent plans to distribute surveys to employees, parents and students to gain benchmark data that will inform and guide the district decision making process in goal setting and strategic planning.
- Conducted a discussion relative to the Health and Wellness Committee leadership for 2016-2017 and voted to appoint Mr. John Alessandro as Chair of the Health and Wellness Committee.
- Received from the Superintendent the announcement of the resignation of Mr. Ralph Caruso, Jr., Barrington High School, Varsity Baseball Head Coach.
- Received from the Superintendent the announcement of the resignation of Mr. Brian DeLaire, Barrington High School, Robotics Club Advisor.
- Received from the Superintendent the announcement of the resignation of Ms. Karen Fletcher, Barrington Middle School, Science.
- Received from the Superintendent the announcement of the resignation of Mr. Dennis Perry, Barrington High School, Eagles Athletic Club Advisor.
- Received from the Superintendent the announcement of the resignation of Mr. Gregory Simkins, Barrington Middle School, English.
- Approved the request for home schooling.
- Approved the renewal of the FY17 Food Service Contract, year three of a five year contract, to Chartwells.
- Approved the monthly expenditures for May \$3,460,029.07.
- Approved the bid for removal of underground storage tanks to the lowest, qualified, evaluated bidder, Gill Services, Inc. of Warwick, Rhode Island, for an amount not to exceed \$23,950.00.
- Received a status update on the search for the Director of Pupil Personnel Services.
- Conducted the first reading of the Homework Policy.
- Conducted a discussion relative to the summer meeting schedule and plans for the Strategic Objectives Workshop.
- Approved the Consent Agenda.
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.