

School Committee Briefs

At the November 19 School Committee meeting...

- Learned that Primrose Hill School Enrichment Specialist and Instructional Coach Jennifer Hines has been chosen to participate in the Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teaching and Teachers (ECET²) Conference. To view the complete Achievement Recognition presentation, click [here](#).
- Received the Student Achievement Data Report reflecting greater alignment with the strategic plan at both the school and district levels, including literacy, numeracy and social emotional goals for every school; learned about the district commitment to decrease the amount of testing time with a resulting increase in instructional time; learned about the Curriculum Point grant that supports grade level collaboration districtwide to replicate successful practices and strategies in teaching and learning; learned about the collaborative effort to expand the Mindfulness initiative at Barrington Middle School. To view the Student Achievement Data Report, click [here](#).
- Received an update on the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) district results, including the 95% participation rate with valuable data on the instructional curriculum and preparedness of teachers. To view the PARCC update presentation, click [here](#).
- Received an update on the School Start Times options including additional data relative to four school start time options with the introduction of a revised option; the discussion will continue at the next School Committee meeting on December 3, 2015. To view the School Start Times presentation, click [here](#).
- Received an update relative to the Barrington Middle School Building Committee including a report on a meeting that was held by architectural firm Kaestle Boos Associates with Barrington Middle School abutters on November 18, 2015 and learned about plans to hold a follow up meeting on December 8, 2015. To view the Barrington Middle School Building Committee link on the district website, click [here](#).
- Received an update relative to the Strategic Communication Plan including a status update relative to the Request for Proposals for design and development services for the district website, an update relative to the ongoing district work with communication initiatives, and received clarification from the Superintendent relative to the status of bus ridership in district during a capacity week.
- Received an announcement from the Superintendent relative to the retirement of Ms. Donna Cerio, Physical Education/Health teacher, Sowams School.
- Received an announcement from the Superintendent relative to the resignation of Mrs. Katie Miller, Director of Technology, effective January 26, 2016.
- Approved the monthly expenditures for October, 2015 in the amount of \$3,816,686.77.
- Provided a report on the Joint Legislative Breakfast that was held on Monday, November 16, 2015.
- Revised the date of the Annual Organizational Meeting to January 7, 2016, due to the School Committee Special Election that will be held on December 15, 2015.

- Approved the Consent Agenda.
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 p.m.
- To view the meeting video, click [here](#).