

WINDHAM BOARD OF EDUCATION
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BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
September 27, 2017

BOARD PRESENT: Interim-chair Dr. Sewall, Secretary Dr. Gomez, Mr. Kalajian, Ms. Lambert (arrived 7:07pm), Ms. Lessard, Ms. Ide, Mr. Flores-Alvarez (arrived 7:07pm)

BOARD ABSENT: Mr. Montalvo, Mr. French,

ADMINISTRATION

PRESENT: Superintendent Patricia Garcia, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Youngberg, Assistant Superintendent Mr. W. Johnson, Directors: Ms. Chatey, Mr. C. Johnson, Mr. Pabon

STUDENT

REPRESENTATIVES: None

OTHERS PRESENT: General public, staff, administrators, news media

CALL TO ORDER

Interim-Chair Dr. Sewall called the September 27, 2017 Board of Education meeting to order at 7:03pm in the Windham High School Library Media Center.

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGIANCE

Mr. Kalajian led the Board and the Public in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

WORKSHOP TOPIC

Munis and Technology Updates

Mr. Christian Johnson, Finance Director, and Mr. Brendan O’Neill, Technology Manager/Network Administrator, presented the department updates. These matters were continued from the Board of Education Retreat which was held on September 15, 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bernard D’Autail from Walnut Street expressed his opinion that the board should delay their decision regarding the Superintendent’s contract extension and compensation increase due to the upcoming election which may result in a change in the composition of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Lambert, seconded by Mr. Kalajian, that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 7:47pm for the discussion of exempt documents pertaining to the Superintendent’s contract and compensation.

The motion is unanimously approved.

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ADMINISTRATION
PRESENT: Superintendent Patricia Garcia

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES

Motion by Mr. Kalajian, seconded by Mr. Flores, that the board reconvene in regular session at 9:21PM.

Motion is unanimously approved.

Motion by Mr. Kalajian, seconded by Mr. Flores, that the board extend the Superintendent's contract for 12 months

Motion is unanimously approved.

Motion by Mr. Kalajian, seconded by Mr. Flores, that the board increase the Superintendent's compensation by 3.5% over her base salary.

For: Interim-chair Dr. Sewall, Secretary Dr. Gomez, Mr. Kalajian, Ms. Lessard, Ms. Ide, Mr. Flores-Alvarez

Against: Ms. Lambert

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Kalajian, seconded by Mr. Flores, that the board adjourn its meeting at 9:27PM.

Motion is unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Jaime Gomez, Secretary