

**WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
October 12, 2021**

Location: Millennium's Conference Room B

****Per Westford Board of Health requirement (effective 8/9/2021), all attendees at this meeting must be masked.****

Westford residents may remotely participate (including public comment) by registering at the following Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_z3IB7PoBTeKgCT0PGB34Fw. This meeting may be viewed on the Westford CAT website (www.westfordcat.org), on their YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/c/WestfordCAT>), or by tuning into Channel 9 (Comcast) or 34 (Verizon) on CATV.

The School Committee welcomes community members to attend meetings and to speak on matters within its purview. To promote equitable opportunities to be heard, speakers will be limited to two minutes in their comments. The overall duration of the public comment period will be predetermined on the meeting agenda but may be extended at the discretion of the Chair.

PUBLIC SESSION

7:00 PM 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. RECOGNITIONS

7:02 3. CONSENT AGENDA – *Vote Required*

1. Warrants

Payroll Warrant #2216sp dated October 14, 2021
Expense Warrant #2216SE dated October 14, 2021
Amended Payroll Warrant #2214sp dated September 30, 2021, in the amount of \$1,958,397.33.

2. Meeting Minutes

Regular Session Minutes: September 27, 2021

3. Field Trip Approval

CIRRUS Club – Overnight Field Trip Approval Request

7:10 4. INFORMATIONAL UPDATES

1. Superintendent Updates

C. Chew

2. School Committee Updates

C. Sanders

3. Student Representatives

H. Macey & M. Kumar

7:25 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. Sanders

6. BUSINESS

7:35 1. COVID Update

C. Chew

a. Testing in Schools

b. COVID Case #'s / DESE COVID Guidance

2. Financial Updates

P. Leonhardt

7:45 a. Special Education Stabilization Account – *Vote*

Approve deposit to the SPED Stabilization Account for FY 2021, ending June 30, 2021.

7:50 b. Substitute Compensation History

C. Chew

Discussion of possible increase in pay to address substitute shortage

8:05 3. Student Enrollment Update – *As of October 1, 2021*

8:10 4. Energy Savings Performance Audit Committee

P. Fox

Townwide resolution to reduce energy omissions - Request for SC Representation

8:25 5. Robinson Playground Committee

P. Fox

Request for SC Representation

8:30 6. Westford DEI Committee Letter to School Committee - Follow Up

C. Chew

Discuss how WPS will broaden awareness, education, and dialogue throughout the schools regarding the hurtful history of the “blackface” phenomena in American society.

7. PERSONNEL

8:50

1. Personnel Update – *Monthly as of October 8, 2021*

C. Chew

8:55

8. ADJOURNMENT