

CONCORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
JOINT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

CSC/CCSC  
CCHS Learning Commons  
April 8, 2019

Present: Johanna Boynton, Chair, CSC; CCSC  
Wallace Johnston, Vice Chair, CSC; CCSC  
Robert Grom, Chair, CCSC; CSC  
Heather Bout, CSC; CCSC  
Courtland Booth, CSC; CCSC  
Christine Lear, CCSC

Absent: Mary Storrs, Vice Chair, CCSC

Present from Administration: Dr. Laurie Hunter, Superintendent of Schools, CPS & CCRSD  
Jared Stanton, Director of Finance & Operations, CPS & CCRSD

**I. CALL TO ORDER – CSC**

The CSC meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Ms. Boynton, noting that the meeting was being recorded.

**II. DISCUSSION**

A. Warrant Articles. Dr. Hunter stated that they've been informed of an amendment from the Finance Committee on Article 14, CMS Feasibility Study, and also that they've been notified of an amendment around sustainability. Dr. Hunter also noted that they've received suggestions on reconsidering some of the verbiage in the motion and shared the recommended motion with the SC.

Ms. Boynton noted that Articles 11, 12 and 13 have not changed. Ms. Bout reviewed slides to be presented around Article 14, including the SC's response to the amendment. Dr. Hunter stated that she would be speaking to the sustainability amendment and would reiterate their commitment to the town's goals and principals. She noted that the recommendations are for the School Building Committee. Dr. Hunter noted that the SC needs to decide if they formally want to respond to the sustainability amendment. Ms. Boynton stated that she feels it belongs with the Building Committee Charge. Mr. Booth noted the language and whether it was directive or instructive. Mr. Johnston stated that the question is whether or not the SC take affirmative action on it and Ms. Boynton stated that they've never taken a position before on an article. Mr. Johnston noted that they haven't had experience with amending an article. Ms. Bout stated that she feels it's ok to take a position, but is concerned that it steps into the Building Committee realm and she doesn't want it to tie the hands of the Building Committee down the line. Mr. Johnston recommended saying that the SC has no objection to the article. Ms. Boynton noted that she didn't feel comfortable saying that they had no objection. The SC agreed upon saying they have no objection, fully support the principles that underlie the approach to town decisions and they respect the authority of the Building Committee.

**III. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Vote to revise language in Article 14 motion. A motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Ms. Bout, to approve the motion as amended for Article 14. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Vote to approve Johanna Boynton to continue as School Committee representative to CTA bargaining. A motion was made by Mr. Grom, seconded by Ms. Bout, to approve Johanna Boynton to continue as School Committee representative to CTA bargaining. The motion was unanimously approved.

C. Vote to approve CSC 3/12/19 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Bout, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the CSC minutes from 3/12/19. The motion was unanimously approved.

**CALL TO ORDER - CCSC**

#### **IV. CALL TO ORDER – CCSC**

At 5:49 PM, Mr. Grom called the CCSC meeting to order.

#### **V. DISCUSSION**

A. Warrant Articles. Mr. Grom thanked Rich Reine and Chris Olbrot for their assistance in arriving at firmer numbers for Article 16. Mr. Stanton stated the estimates aligned with what Gale Associates had provided, and that they recommend amending the \$2 million down to \$1,785,618 for the Article. Mr. Stanton noted that if it does pass in both towns, they can go out to bid with the Town's projects.

A motion was made by Mr. Booth, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to accept the new number for Article 16 and change the motion accordingly. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. Diane Proctor, 57 Sudbury Road, Concord, MA. Ms. Proctor thanked the SC for all the thought and care the SC has put into the CMS article.
2. Charlie Parker, 105 Chestnut Street, Concord, MA. Mr. Parker thanked the SC for adding the language to the motion.
3. Brad Hubbard Nelson, 221 Nashawtuc Road, Concord, MA. Mr. Nelson also thanked the SC for the amendment.

*The Committees will stay in session for the duration of Concord Town Meeting on April 8, 2019*

Respectfully submitted,

Erin E. Higgins

#### **Abbreviations:**

ACLU	American Civil Liberties Union
CASE	Cooperative Association for Special Education
CEF	Concord Education Fund
CSC	Concord School Committee
CCSC	Concord-Carlisle Regional District School Committee
CMLP	Concord Municipal Light Plant
CPA	Community Preservation Act
CPC	Community Preservation Committee
CPS	Concord Public Schools
CCRSD	Concord-Carlisle Regional School District
CCHS	Concord-Carlisle High School
CHPS	The Collaborative for High Performance Schools
CSEC	Comprehensive Sustainable Energy Committee
CPW	Concord Public Works
CTA	Concord Teachers Association
DESE	Department of Elementary & Secondary Education
ELA	English Language Arts
EOYR	End of the Year
FAAC	Financial Audit Advisory Committee
FINCOM	Finance Committee
FCCPF	Friends of Concord Carlisle Playing Fields

GASB	Governmental Accounting Standards Firm
MAAB	Massachusetts Architectural Access Board
MASC	Massachusetts Association of School Committees
MIAA	Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association
NEASC	New England Association of Schools and Colleges
NESDEC	The New England School Development Council
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
OPEB	Other Post-Employment Benefits
PEG	Public Education Government
RTI	Response to Intervention
SEPAC	Special Education Parent Advisory Council
SOI	Statement of Interest
SPED	Special Education
SWOT	Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, Threats
YRBS	Youth Risk Behavior Survey