



School Committee

MINUTES OF THE CHELSEA SCHOOL COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

March 15, 2012

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The Chelsea School Committee held two Public Hearings Thursday, March 15, 2012, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea.

Members Present: Chairman Lucia Colon, Vice-Chairman Lisa Lineweaver, Rosemarie Carlisle, Ed Ells, Charles Klauder, Angel Meza, Carlos Rodriguez and Jeannette Velez.

Also Present: School Superintendent Dr. Mary M. Bourque, Assistant Superintendent Linda Breau, Assistant Superintendent David Weinberg, Executive Director of Administration and Finance Gerald McCue, Director of Personnel Tina Sullivan and School Business Manager and Clerk to the School Committee Barbara Martin.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairman Colon stated the purpose of the public hearings was on the following two items :

- a. School Choice decision for the 2012-2013 school year, and
- b. The presentation of the proposed school budget for Fiscal Year 2013

3. School Choice for 2012-2013

Dr. Bourque stated that each year the district is obligated under Massachusetts General Law to examine the district's enrollment and to determine whether the Chelsea Public Schools should be a school choice district. Dr. Bourque stated that based on projected enrollments, the administration does not recommend Chelsea Public Schools be a school choice district.

Chairman Colon asked if any one in the audience would like to speak on the school choice issue. There being none, Chairman Colon stated that the hearing on School Choice for the 2012-2013 was closed. The Chelsea School Committee will vote on School Choice at their next meeting.

4. Proposed School Budget for Fiscal Year 2013

Dr. Bourque introduced Executive Director for Administration and Finance Gerald McCue to give a presentation on the proposed FY 2013 school budget. A copy of the presentation is enclosed and forms a part of the minutes.

Chairman Colon asked if any one in the audience would like to speak on the proposed school budget for FY13. There being none, Chairman Colon stated that the hearing on the proposed FY 2013 school budget was closed. The Chelsea School Committee will vote on School Choice at their next meeting.

5. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8.05 p.m.

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