



School Committee

MINUTES OF THE CHELSEA SCHOOL COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

March 3, 2016

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The Chelsea School Committee held two Public Hearings Thursday, March 3, 2016, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea.

Members Present: Yessenia Alfaro-Alvarez, Rosemarie Carlisle, Ana Hernandez, Diana Maldonado, Richard Maronski, Shawn O'Regan, Robert Pereira and Jeanette Velez.

Also Present: School Superintendent Dr. Mary M. Bourque, Assistant Superintendent Linda Breau, 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 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

The purpose of the public hearings was on the following two items:

- a. The presentation of the proposed school budget for Fiscal Year 2017
- b. School Choice decision for the 2016-2017 school year, and

3. Proposed School Budget for Fiscal Year 2017

Dr. Bourque introduced Executive Director for Administration and Finance Gerald McCue to give a presentation on the proposed FY 2017 school budget. A copy of the presentation is enclosed and forms a part of the minutes.

Chairman Velez asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak on the proposed school budget for FY17. There being none, Chairman Velez stated that the hearing on the proposed FY 2017 school budget was closed. The Chelsea School Committee will vote on School Budget at their next meeting.

4. School Choice for 2016-2017

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 Velez asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak on the school choice issue. There being none, Chairman Velez stated that the hearing on School Choice for the 2016-2017 was closed. The Chelsea School Committee will vote on School Choice at their next meeting.

5. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara A. Martin".

Barbara A. Martin
Business Manager
Clerk to the Chelsea School Committee