

Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee
Joint Meeting with the School Committee Finance Subcommittee
January 29, 2019 8:00a.m.
School Administration Building Conference Room

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Meeting Minutes

Members in attendance

Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee: Mike Crowley, Chris Doyle, Laurie Slap, Jack Weis

School Committee Finance Subcommittee: Kate Bowen, Susan Burgess-Cox, Jill Norton, Andrea Prestwich, Superintendent Phelan, Finance Director DiCologero

Others: Jim Gammill (Belmont Representative to Minuteman School Committee), Patrice Garvin (Town Administrator), Roy Epstein (Warrant Committee), Bob McLaughlin (Warrant Committee)

Call to Order

Ms. Slap called the meeting to order at 8:11 a.m.

Minuteman Discussion

Mr. Gammill reviewed the memo he had prepared for the Finance Subcommittee and guests, and shared updates regarding the Minuteman building project, enrollment, and the timeline for Belmont's path for withdrawal from the Minuteman district. The new building is on track to open in September 2019, and Belmont is on track to withdraw from the district in June 2020. Mr. Gammill explained that the Superintendent's Working Group favored Minuteman as the provider of career and vocational technical education (CVTE) for Belmont students. The group discussed these recommendations, and the pros and cons of being a member in the Minuteman district. Mr. Gammill noted that the School Committee will be discussing the issue in more detail and it will be in their court to decide whether to propose that Town Meeting adopt the Working Group's recommendation.

Mr. Gammill reported that the Minuteman School Committee will vote the 2019 budget on February 5th. The Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee will meet with Mr. Gammill in late February/early March to review the Minuteman budget.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.