

Committee Members  
John L. Foley, Chairman  
Robert A. Bogigian  
Brian A. O'Connell

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A C T I O N S

The Standing Committee on Business met at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 in the Levi Lincoln, Jr. Chamber at City Hall.

There were present: Mr. Bogigian and Chairman Foley

Mr. O'Connell arrived at 5:40 p.m.

Mr. Monfredo and Mayor Lukes were also in attendance.

Representing Administration: Mr. Allen and Dr. Friel

Others in attendance: D. Aicardi, J. DelSignore and T. Zidelis

gb #7-32 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo (February 7, 2007)

To review the recent revisions to the Worcester Public Schools website, and to recommend any appropriate modifications.

gb #7-255 - Mrs. Mullaney (December 13, 2007)

Request a report from the business office about school participation in the new website possibilities available to all the Worcester public schools and to encourage all schools, with assistance, to create and maintain attractive informative websites.

(These items were considered together).

FILE gb #7-32 and gb #7-255.

gb #7-148 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Dr. McNeil/Mr. O'Brien (June 4, 2007)

To research the cost of repair of the South High Community School pool, and to consider options available to fund a pool restoration project, through the Worcester Educational Development Foundation or otherwise.

motion (gb #5-250) and (gb #6-181) Mr. Foley and Mr. O'Connell (November 22, 2007)

Request that the Advisory Committee of WEDF develop strategies for structural and capital fundraising for the next 3 to 5 years.

These items were considered together.

FILE gb #7-148 and motion (gb #5-250) and (gb #6-181).

gb #8-232 - Mr. Foley/Mr. Bogigian/Mr. O'Connell (October 6, 2008)

To review the status of the FY09 Budget and recommend appropriate account transfers as required.

It was moved and voice voted to approve the second quarter budget status report.

Mr. Foley made the following motion:

Request that the School Committee approve the following transfers:

<b>Amount</b>	<b>From Account</b>	<b>To Account</b>
\$200,000	50132 Tuition	50130 Personal Services
\$400,000	50146 Utilities	50130 Personal Services
\$117,000	50031 Custodian Salaries	50129 Workers Compensation
\$48,150	50123 Health Insurance	50129 Workers Compensation
\$149,000	50103 Transportation OM	50129 Workers Compensation
\$53,000	50137 Unemployment Compensation	50152 School Plant OM
\$25,000	50138 In-State Travel	50152 School Plant OM
\$122,000	50013 Instructional Assistants	50152 School Plant OM

On a roll call of 3-0, the motion was approved.

gb #9-10 - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. Bogigian/Ms. Hargrove/Mr. O'Connell/Mayor Lukes (January 5, 2009)

Request that the Administration invite James DeSignore, City Auditor, Thomas Zidelis, Chief Financial Officer for the City and Brian Allen, Chief Financial Officer for the school department, to meet with the Standing Committee on Business to discuss ways of making the school budget and other grants including Title I more transparent and to consider a quarterly review of the school budget at the School Committee level starting in 2010.

Mr. Monfredo made the following motions:

Request that the Administration provide the School Committee the non-personnel details and expenditures of the Title I Budget.

Request that the Administration forward a summary report to the City Council regarding the process to be utilized and the format for the FY10 Budget.

Request that the following items be placed on the website and included in FY10 Budget:

- Line Item Budget
- Program Budget
- the individual school-based budgets that are provided to each School Council

Request that the Administration conduct two public hearing sessions prior to the formal Budget hearings.

On a voice vote, the motions were approved.

motion (gb #8-134.1) Mr. O'Connell (June 5, 2008)

Request that the Administration investigate bonding of appropriate School Nutrition personnel and any other individuals who have custody or sole signature authority as to school system funds and report its recommendations to the Standing Committee on Business in October 2008.

It was moved and voice voted to accept the Administration's report and file the item.

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motion (gb #8-134.2) Mr. Foley (June 19, 2008)

Request that the Administration provide a report after the first quarter regarding sales versus the cost of the nutrition program to make certain that the sales are being maintained to cover costs effectively and review food items that are served to the students.

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The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Helen A. Friel, Ed.D.  
Clerk of the School Committee