

Holbrook Public Schools
245 South Franklin Street
Holbrook, MA 02343



REVISED MINUTES OF THE HOLBROOK SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Holbrook Middle-High School Auditorium
May 9, 2024
6:00pm

In Attendance: Barbara Davis, School Committee Vice Chairperson
Renee Malvesti, Vice Chairperson
Fred White, School Committee Secretary
Ryan Despres, School Committee Member
Christopher White, School Committee Member
Julie Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools
Christine Suckow, School Business Administrator
Stefanie DeRosa, Curriculum Director
Joshua Tarsky, HMHS Principal
Rob Compton, Special Education and Pupil Personnel Director
Rob King, Director of Technology
Michael Bolger, Facilities Director
Bridget Baker, School Committee Recording Secretary

Attachments

- FY24 School Department Payroll Expenditure Report
 - FY24 School Department Operational Expenditure Report
 - FY24 School Department Other Funding Sources Report
 - FY23 Schedule of Warrants Paid
 - December 6-8, 2024 Pennsylvania Field Trip Request
 - February 11-20, 2026 Costa Rica Field Trip Request
 - 2024-2025 School Calendar
 - FY23 End of Year Memorandum of Town Costs
 - Abington Bank's *Funding Their Futures* \$2,975 Donation
 - School Committee Subcommittee Assignments
 - April 11, 2024 School Committee Minutes
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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Ms. Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Residents' Concerns

None.

Student Advisory

Emily Yipp and Tevin Ngo updated the committee on recent and upcoming events which included the upcoming AP exams, MCAS testing and award nights. Field trips included the 6th grade went to the Museum of Science, the 8th grade will be going on a whale watch and the class of 2026 and 2027 went to Treetop Adventures. The grand march and prom will be May 10th at the Tirrell Room in Quincy. College acceptances have been coming in and graduation will be taking place on June 7th.

Superintendent Report

John F. Kennedy Elementary School

This week students were administered the MCAS for math. The May SEPAC is meeting on Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:30pm in the JFK Media Center. The 3rd Annual 5th grade kickball tournament will take place on Wednesday, May 22nd at 3:30pm. May 23rd is the annual spring JFK concert and the HEPG is looking for new members. Kindergarten registration is now open and field day will be on Friday, May 31st.

Holbrook Middle-High School

Superintendent Hamilton attended the induction of the new members of the National Honor Society. Students attended a STEAM workshop that was aimed at making students aware of the different types of jobs available to them in science, technology, engineering, arts and math. Seniors last day is May 24th. The art show is next Tuesday and the high school spring concert will take place on May 15th.

District-Wide

Superintendent Hamilton thanked Abington Bank, the district attorney's office and other contributors for their very generous donations to cover the cost of transportation to and from the prom. The donation is greatly appreciated.

Holbrook Middle-High School Robotics Presentation

Kevin Monteith and members of the Robotics team presented the robot as well as an overview of their program and their accomplishments throughout their season.

December 6-8, 2024 Pennsylvania Field Trip

Ms. Grant presented the trip.

February 11-20, 2026 Costa Rica Field Trip

Ms. Gallagher presented the Costa Rica Field Trip. They are hoping to add an international trip every two years.

Financial Update

Christine Suckow reviewed the financials. All is going as expected with no areas of concern.

Personnel

New Hire:

Nasawania Ranatou, Crossing Guard, Holbrook Public Schools, effective April 4, 2024

2024-2025 School Calendar

The leadership team and HEA rep have reviewed and recommend the calendar that was presented.

School Choice

Superintendent Hamilton recommended opening school choice for grades 9-11 up until enrollment reaches 70 with a deadline of July 1, 2024.

FY23 End of Year Memorandum of Town Costs

Ms. Suckow reviewed the FY23 End of Year Memorandum of Town Costs.

Abington Bank's Funding Their Futures \$2,975 Donation

This donation will go towards prom transportation.

School Committee Subcommittee Assignments

Ms. Davis distributed the list of proposed school committee subcommittee assignments.

April 11, 2024 School Committee Minutes

Ms. Davis asked that the typo with Ms. Novick's last name be corrected.

School Committee Sub Committee Reports

None.

School Committee Member Reports

Mr. F. White attended the MASC Charting the Course at South Shore Vo-Tech. He suggested moving the tables in a horseshoe shape as opposed to the current set-up.

Ms. Davis reported that the Holbrook district hosted a 70 Minutes on Chapter 70 last week.

Ms. Davis also attended School Committee Day on the Hill on Monday.

Action Items

December 6-8, 2024 Pennsylvania Field Trip

Mr. Fred White made a motion to approve the December 6-8, 2024 Pennsylvania Field Trip as presented.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to approve the December 6-8, 2024 Pennsylvania Field Trip as presented.

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February 11-20, 2026 Costa Rica Field Trip

Mr. Fred White made a motion to approve the February 11-20, 2026 Costa Rica Field Trip as presented.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to approve the February 11-20, 2026 Costa Rica Field Trip as presented.

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2024-2025 School Calendar

Mr. Fred White made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar as presented.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar as presented.

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School Choice

Mr. Fred White made a motion to participate in the school choice program in grades 9-11 up until enrollment reaches 70 with a July 1, 2024 application deadline.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to participate in the school choice program in grades 9-11 up until enrollment reaches 70 with a July 1, 2024 application deadline.

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FY23 End of Year Memorandum of Town Costs

Did not vote on.

Abington Bank's Funding Their Futures \$2,975 Donation

Mr. Fred White made a motion to accept the \$2,975 Abington Bank's *Funding Their Futures* donation as presented.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to accept the \$2,975 Abington Bank's *Funding Their Futures* donation as presented.

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School Committee Subcommittee Assignments

Mr. Fred White made a motion to accept the School Committee Subcommittee assignments as presented.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to accept the School Committee Subcommittee assignments as presented.

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April 11, 2024 School Committee Minutes

Mr. Fred White made a motion to accept the April 11, 2024 School Committee minutes as amended.

Voted:

(F. White/Malvesti) made a motion to accept the April 11, 2024 School Committee minutes as amended.

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Old Business

None.

New Business

Ms. Davis mentioned that MASC has a district governance program that she thought would be beneficial since we are such a new committee. This is (5) 2-hour segments.

ADJOURN or VOTE TO CONTINUE

Voted: (F.White/Malvesti) The School Committee made a motion to adjourn the regular School Committee Meeting of May 9, 2024 at 7:24pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Baker

Recording Secretary