

**LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
Tuesday, October 8, 2024**

6:30PM

HYBRID

Present

Ravi Simon, *Chair*; Cathie Bitter, *Vice Chair*;
Maura Carty, Cara Endyke-Doran (absent), Kevin Matthews, Lucy Maulsby

Also Present

Maureen Bolton, *Co-President of the Teachers' Association*
Damen Kelton, *LSRHS METCO Director*
Kirsteen Patterson, *Director of Finance and Operations*
Evelyn Schwartz, *Vice President of the Student Senate*
Andrew Stephens, *LSRHS Superintendent/Principal*

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:39PM.

Public Comment

No Comment

Student Senate Updates

Evelyn Schwartz, *Vice President of the Student Senate*

- The ninth grade student election ballots were advertised throughout LS.
- The Student Senate discussed collaborating with the Steering Committees in creating transparent/open meetings for the entire student body at LSRHS.
- Preparations for the "Winter Fundraiser" and "Senior Dress-up Day" continue to be explored.
- The Student Senate hopes to invite Dr. Stephens to an upcoming meeting.

METCO Program Report Updates

Damen Kelton, LSRHS METCO Director

- LS Staff and students from Boston, Lincoln and Sudbury were invited to attend the team building field trip to “Launch” in Framingham on Wednesday, October 9, 2024.
- Author Jennifer De Leon returned to LSRHS for *Hispanic Heritage* month on Wednesday, October 16th to speak to various departments and classes in the LS Auditorium.
- The METCO buses continue to be stabilized for students to participate in early morning Math Cube and/or their AP seminar/prep classes.
- METCO staff continues to promote the Student Senate club, in hopes for METCO students to join. As of right now, there is one ninth grade student from the METCO program currently running in the election.

Teachers’ Association Updates

Maureen Bolton, Co-President of the LSRHS’s Teachers’ Association

- The German exchange students arrived Friday, October 11th.
- The “Math Olympiad was held on Thursday, October 17th.
- The “Relay for Life” hosted “Fun Friday” on Friday, October 4th.
- METCO hosted “Fun Friday” on Friday, October 11th in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month.
- During the staff meeting on Wednesday, October 9th, selected LS students facilitated/reviewed the results of the MetroWest Health Survey to LS staff. On Friday, October 11th, students had the opportunity to attend the event with their block 4 teachers to listen to the results.

Presentations

Sandy Crawford, LSRHS Administrator Emerita

- [LS Equity Survey Presentation](#)

School Committee members offered positive feedback on all the work involved in the “Equity Survey” and expressed the value of this survey for the students and LS staff. The committee asked questions and offered feedback to Sandy Crawford.

Information and Discussion

No Updates

Chairperson and Liaison Updates

-Policy Subcommittee

Lucy Maulsby, LSSC member

- The Policy subcommittee met Monday, September 30th, where the following items were discussed amongst the subcommittee members.
 - Updating the ILD and KDC policy.
 - Implementing a new BDC policy.
 - Establishing consistent monthly meetings.

-Negotiations Subcommittee

Kevin Matthews, LSSC member

- Thank you to the Teachers' Association stakeholders for making the past three meetings productive and friendly.

Superintendent/Principal Updates

Andrew Stephens, LSRHS Superintendent/Principal

- In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month, on Wednesday, 10/16- LS welcomed Author Jennifer De Leon who spoke to students about her book "Borderless"- Jennifer De Leon discussed themes of identity, racism, and immigration; while also engaging with the audience in an inspiring conversation. Many thanks to METCO and the Unity Club for sponsoring and organizing this event!
- Students Together Empowering Women (STEW), partnered with the Sudbury, Wayland, and Lincoln Domestic Violence Roundtable. The club organized the installation of purple lights at the front of LS in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
 - MVP and STEW hosted a table at the 10/10 LS-Wayland football game to help raise money for the Lauren Dunne Astley Memorial Fund and the DV Roundtable. Where attendees were encouraged to wear purple to show their support.
- MCAS score reports became available for students who took the MCAS in the spring of 2024. Information to access the results was sent to students and families last week.

Director of Finance and Operations

Kirsteen Patterson, Director of Finance and Operations

- An improved/updated version of the [FY26 Budget Calendar/ Timeline](#) (*in real time*) was provided to School Committee members, with important dates highlighted.
 - Any upcoming and subsequent review dates regarding the FY26 budget will be added to the [FY26 Budget Calendar/ Timeline](#). This information will be available for all LS School Committee members to view and possibly attend when necessary to represent LSRSD.
- The FY26 Capital Articles and preliminary information were submitted. This information was discussed with the Academic Council on Monday, October 7, 2024.
- The application for the FY26 items were approved and submitted to Lincoln and Sudbury Capcom. In addition to the Director of Sudbury in moving forward with the roof project.
- The End of the Year Report, as well as, the Excess and Deficiency (E&D) has been submitted.
- An audit will be conducted the week of October 21st.
- LSRSD current audit firm modified their name- 'Markham'. All financials, like, the full cycle review for the post employment will arrive under this new audit firm's name. As well as, being reported and included in the full financial statements for FY24.
- [1st Qtr Financial Report](#)
 - The categories were consolidated as a broad overview, while emphasizing salaries and wages; and the revolving fund availability for the first quarter.

Action Items:

No Action Items

Approval of Minutes:

-The LSSC Minutes for September 24, 2024 were tabled.

Public Comment

No Comment

Adjournment

Ravi Simon motioned to enter the executive session without returning to the open meeting. Kevin Matthews second the motion. Five(5) out of five(5) members of the School Committee were all in favor via roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:04PM.