CLERK OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS 20 IRVING STREET WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01609

AGENDA #10

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on: Thursday, April 27, 2017 at: 6:45 p.m. – Regular Session

in the: Esther Howland South Chamber, City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ACTION

Convened in Open

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING</u>

INVOCATION - NONE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II. ROLL CALL

Miss Biancheria, Ms. Colorio, Mr. Foley, Miss McCullough, Mr. Monfredo, Mr. O'Connell and Mayor Petty

III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS - NONE

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

V. IMMEDIATE ACTION - NONE

VI. <u>REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT</u> - NONE

VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION - NONE

VIII. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - NONE

IX. PERSONNEL - NONE

X. GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #7-62.1 - Administration/Administration (April 11, 2017)

To hold a public hearing on School Choice.

XI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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

Session at 7:20 p.m.

See notes

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NOTES

GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #7-62.1

It was moved to participate in School Choice for the 2017-18 school year.

On a roll call of 7-0, the motion was approved.

Mr. O'Connell made the following motions:

Request that the School Committee approve the following policy for the 2017-18 school year.

For the 2017-2018 school year, the School Committee has approved the following:

- Student enrollment in the Inter-District School Choice program is based on availability
- Parent/guardian is responsible for transportation to the district school
- All Pre-K to Grade 12 schools participate in the program with the following exceptions:
 - o Chapter 74 approved programs in the comprehensive high schools
 - Chapter 74 approved programs at Worcester Technical High School
 - Alternative Pathway Programs
 - Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE) Pathway Programs
- Students accepted into the Inter-District School Choice program may apply for schools on the same basis as resident students, but the Intra-District Choice Plan (Voluntary Transfer) may give preference to resident students in assigning students to schools.

To obtain information regarding the Inter-District School Choice program, please contact the Parent Information Center (508) 799-3194 or the Office for Instruction and School Leadership at (508) 799-3499.

Request that the Administration, prior to the School Choice vote next year, provide language that would address the special preference for intra-district students who are siblings of School Choice students in a particular school.

On a roll call of 7-0, the motions were approved.