

**MINUTES**  
**Warrant Committee Meeting**  
**May 1, 2023**

<b>Warrant Committee Members</b>	Steve Callahan, Robert Sliney, Edward Vozzella, Jillian Rafter, Brent Nelson, Peter Michelson, Mather Eldred, Sharon Tatro, and Jeremy Marsette
<b>Guests</b>	Scott McDermott, Moderator
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Medfield High School - Library
<b>Meeting Times</b>	6:30 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.
<b>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</b>	None
<b>Operational Budgets (including votes taken)</b>	None
<b>Warrant Articles (including votes taken)</b>	Article 28, School Committee Public Hearing
<b>List of all documents and exhibits used</b>	Agenda for Meeting Email from Scott McDermott regarding new non-binding motion on Article 28
<b>Other Business</b>	N/A
<b>Follow-ups</b>	N/A
<b>Dates for Meetings including WC</b>	N/A
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Having a quorum present, Steve called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 pm.</p> <p>Steve discussed the recent update and status for citizen petition Article 28. Since the last meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup>, where the WC voted to dismiss Article 28, Chris Potts (the petitioner) has submitted a different and new non-binding motion for consideration at the Town Meeting. The petitioner did not want to dismiss the article and the new non-binding motion as currently worded and emailed to WC members is as follows:</p> <p><b>“MOVE that through a non-binding resolution, Town Meeting asks School Committee to amend its Public Participation Policy BEDH and/or Public Hearing policy BEE to allow for a specified number of community members, as it deems appropriate, to request a hearing on an issue within School Committee purview, and to set the steps and requirements necessary to provide due notice in line with other public hearings that are mandatory for School Committee.”</b></p>

	<p>There was a general discussion of the new non-binding motion by WC members. Steve suggested that the WC vote on the newly worded non-binding motion. There being no further discussion, a motion to dismiss the non-binding motion as currently worded for Article 28 was made, seconded, and voted unanimously by all WC members. Steve stated that given that the sponsor and WC will not agree on dismissal for Article 28, the petitioner will first make the positive motion and then a report will be provided by the WC and then back to the petitioner for a 3-minute statement. At that point discussion will be opened between proponents and opponents of Article 28.</p> <p>Regarding all other articles, Steve reminded WC members of the process to make positive motions and provide a report. Scott McDermott also clarified the process for all WC members.</p> <p>In an informational update, Steve indicated that after his presentation to the SBC on Big Picture Financial Modeling for a New School Building, he received an email from Chris Potts with comments and a request to add material to the WC website on the prior project. Steve indicated that at our next meeting we will discuss this matter and Chris Potts request.</p> <p>There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and voted unanimously by all WC members.</p>
<b>Attachments</b>	See list of documents

Respectfully Submitted: Stephen Callahan

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