

SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE WORKSHOP
Wednesday, October 18, 2023
Shrewsbury High School - 75 Cypress Avenue
Media Center

Start Time: 6:00pm

Present: Ms. Sandy Fryc, Chairperson; Ms. Erin Boucher, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Jonathan Wensky, Secretary; Ms. Lynsey Heffernan; Ms. Rachel Sharifipour; Dr. Joseph Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Amy Clouter, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment; Dr. Jane Lizotte, Assistant Superintendent for Community Partnerships and Well-Being; Ms. Meg Belsito, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Mr. Christian Girardi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Ms. Barbara Malone, Executive Director of Human Resources; Ms. Bridget Nichols, Director, Parker Road Preschool; Ms. Kristen Gasper, Principal, Maj. HW Beal School; Ms. Shelley Hoey, Assistant Principal, Maj. HW Beal School; Ms. Tiffany Ostrander, Principal, Coolidge School; Ms. Lisa McCubrey, Principal, Floral Street School; Ms. Gina Kelly, Assistant Principal Floral Street School; Mr. Bryan Mabie, Principal, Spring Street School; Dr. Scott Mulcahy, Principal, Walter J. Paton School; Mr. Jon Kelly, Principal, Sherwood Middle School; Ms. Heather Gablaski, Assistant Principal, Sherwood Middle School; Ms. Karen Gutekanst, Assistant Principal, Sherwood Middle School; Ms. Hallie Burak, Principal, Oak Middle School; Mr. Scott Yonker, Assistant Principal, Oak Middle School; Ms. Michelle Dillon, Assistant Principal, Oak Middle School; Mr. Todd Bazydlo, Principal, Shrewsbury High School; Mr. Jeffrey Lane, Assistant Principal, Shrewsbury High School; Ms. Maureen Monopoli, Assistant Principal, Shrewsbury High School; Ms. Nga Huynh, Assistant Principal, Shrewsbury High School; and Mr. Gerald “PJ” O’Connell, Assistant Principal, Shrewsbury High School.

Group Discussion with SPS Senior Leadership Team

The School Committee members met with members of the SPS Senior Leadership Team (SLT). We broke into five individual groups to allow each School Committee member to engage with a smaller group of SLT members. Each group had a conversation about the state of the school district with the theme of “What are you most proud of?” and “What keeps you up at night?”. Following this discussion, each group reviewed the goals and action steps for the new SPS Strategic Plan for 2023 - 2027. During this discussion, all groups were tasked with confirming if each goal was attainable and asked to provide feedback on any potential changes or revisions.

Adjournment

On a motion by Ms. Heffernan; seconded by Ms. Boucher; on a Roll Call Vote: Ms. Sharifipour: Yes; Ms. Heffernan: Yes; Mr. Wensky: Yes; Ms. Boucher, Yes; and Ms. Fryc: Yes, the School Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the workshop for the evening at 8:21pm.

Documents referred to:

Draft Strategic Plan Goals and Action Steps for 2023-2024
Workshop Slide Presentation