

MINUTES – WAYLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
Special Session – September 30, 2013

A Special Session of the Wayland School Committee was held on Monday, September 30, 2013, at 7:00 P.M. at the Loker School.

Present were:

Barb Fletcher, Chair  
Beth Butler, (absent)  
Malcolm Astley (absent)  
Ellen Grieco  
Donna Bouchard

Also:

Paul Stein  
Superintendent of Schools

Brad Crozier  
Assistant Superintendent

Marlene Dodyk  
Director of Student Services

Also:

Elementary School Building Use Task Force

Chair Barb Fletcher convened the Regular Session at 7:07 P.M. The purpose of this meeting was to attend the Elementary School Building Use Task Force's Public Forum.

1. **Elementary School Building Use Task Force's Public Forum:**

Paul Stein presented a review of the work the Task Force has completed, as well as an update on the ongoing work. This presentation included the charge and composition of the Task Force, the recommended configuration options, enrollment and classroom projections, analysis of variables, research findings, rough operating costs, strengths and challenges for each option, next steps and timeline. Paul described the decision making process as a balancing act between education, equity and space, taking into consideration cost, class size and the impact on the whole child. Paul and the Task Force then received input and answered questions from the community. Comments included questions about prior reconfiguration, redistricting impact, source of additional funds needed, timing, limitations of 2 classes per grade, number of transitions, individual Task Force member opinions, buffer zones, class sizes, educational benefits, fiscal climate, pick up times, cost versus family and transportation time, A straw poll vote was then taken which showed the vast majority preferred the K-5 model, with few supporting the Upper Elementary model.

Ellen, Barb and Donna briefly commented on the forum, including the number of attendees and the benefits and drawbacks of conducting a survey.

2. **Adjournment:**

Upon a motion duly made by Ellen Grieco, seconded by Donna Bouchard, the School Committee voted unanimously (3-0) to adjourn the Regular Session at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Fletcher, Chair  
Wayland School Committee

Corresponding Documentation:

1. Handout Comparing the Options

[http://www.wayland.k12.ma.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_1036352/File/Superintendent/Building%20Use%20Task%20Force/EBUTF\\_Building\\_Use\\_Variables.pdf](http://www.wayland.k12.ma.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server_1036352/File/Superintendent/Building%20Use%20Task%20Force/EBUTF_Building_Use_Variables.pdf)