

**Wellesley Public Schools
School Committee Meeting
July 22, 2021
Babson College
Needham-Wellesley Room, Olin Hall**

The School Committee joined the WPS Administrative Council at around 1:00 PM for the fourth day of the WPS Administrative Retreat. Those present included School Committee Vice Chair Linda Chow and members Melissa Martin and Jim Roberti; Superintendent David Lussier; Assistant Superintendents Cindy Mahr and Sandy Trach; Directors Charmie Curry, Kathleen Dooley, and Cynthia Russell; and Principals Rebecca Zieminski, Jeff Dees, Toni Jolley, Gerardo Martinez, Rachel McGregor, Leigh Petrowsky, Ellen Quirk, Grant Smith, Mark Ito and Jamie Chisum. Director Sarah Orlov, Chair Catherine Mirick and member Leda Eizenberg were absent.

WPS ADMINISTRATIVE RETREAT – DAY FOUR

The WPS Administrative Retreat typically features at least one project-based team building exercise that spans multiple days. This year's project-based activity was modeled after the TV show "Shark Tank." Earlier in the week, the Administrative leadership team was subdivided into four different project teams with 3-4 members each, while members of the Committee were asked to serve as the "Sharks." The team building exercise culminated in a series of presentations by the project teams during the first afternoon segment of Day 4. Committee members had the opportunity to listen to each presentation, to ask questions and, upon the conclusion of all 4 presentations, to evaluate the presentations based on a pre-established rubric in order to select a winner.

The participants then received updates grouped by school level (PAWs, all 7 elementary schools, WMS and WHS) from the Principals on the draft School Improvement Plan (SIP) goals which they formulated throughout the retreat for their respective schools. The retreat concluded with a discussion of reflections and next steps.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:00 PM, the School Committee adjourned and left the retreat.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Chow
Vice Chair