

Minutes of the Education Committee of the Westport Representative Town Meeting

To: Patricia Strauss

From: Lauren Karpf

Date: 12/19/2018

Re: Minutes of the Representative Town Meeting Education Committee

Date and Time of Meeting: December 18, 2018 at 7:30 PM (joint meeting with Finance Committee and Employee Compensation Committee)

Members Present:

The following members of the Education Committee were present:

Lauren Karpf, Chair

Ellen Lautenberg

Mark Friedman

Kristin Purcell

Lou Mall

Brandi Briggs

Jack Klinge

Others Present: Colleen Palmer, Elio Longo, John Bayers, Tom Mooney, and members of the public.

Topics Discussed and Results of Vote by Member:

1. Upon the recommendation of Board of Education, to not reject the agreement between the Westport Board of Education and the Westport Education Association, Inc. covering the period of July 1, 2019-June 30, 2022.

Discussion pertained to salary schedules, step increases and costs, overall compensation of teachers in Westport and neighboring towns, arbitration in general, and changes to the agreement compared to the prior contract.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the RTM not to reject the agreement between the Westport Board of Education and the Westport Education Association, Inc. The motion passed unanimously 7-0.