

Holland School Committee

Meeting March 12, 2026
Holland Elementary School
6:00 p.m.
PUBLIC HEARING
6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Laura Alden, Chairperson; Erik Iller, Vice Chairperson; Candice Greene, Secretary; Amanda Joppas; Jim O'Connor

Also Present: Deborah Boyd, Superintendent; Kristen Leo, Business and Finance Director; Teresa Ferrentino, Principal

Audience Present: Community Members and Staff

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., starting with the Pledge of Allegiance

MINUTES

MOTION 26-24 made by Erik Iller, seconded by Amanda Joppas, to approve the minutes of 2/12/26, Regular Meeting.

Discussion: *Correct the spelling of Kristen Leo's name under the Financial Report and update the wording at the end of the sentence under Facility Concerns (page 2, second bullet) to read "regarding annual inspections."*

VOTE: Unanimous, as amended

FINANCIAL REPORT - *Highlights to follow from the Report:*

- 300.180 Substitutes - Overbudget, teacher absence coverage
- 300.205 Integration Consultant - Overbudget, necessary to serve student needs
- 300.430 Specialized Transportation - Overbudget, necessary to serve student needs

COMMUNICATIONS – *None*

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – *Highlights to follow from Mrs. Teresa Ferrentino*

- Enrollment Update
- School Choice (FY26–27): 11 applications (K:5, Gr1:1, Gr2:1, Gr3:3, Gr5:1 as of March 5)
- Instruction: Preschool Frog Street success; K–2 literacy focus; Gr3–6 MCAS prep
- Professional Development: Review 360 data tools training; PBIS customizing forms and tools for school use
- Events: PTO Eagles Strong March for Health Fundraiser raised \$7K toward the \$10K goal
- Family Community Project - Book donations for lending library
- Building: Two gym doors installed; floors stripped and waxed

MOTION 26-25 made by Amanda Joppas, seconded by Erik Iller, to recommend up to 20 students per classroom size for Grades 1-3, and for Grades 4-6; 22 students.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - *Highlights to follow:*

- FY27 Budget Vote
- TED Foundation - Fundraiser Bingo will be held at the Publick House on 4/2/26
- April and May will be regular school committees
- June 2nd - Annual Town Meeting; recommendation to hold the school committee meeting on that date instead of 6/11/26; this will be looked into further
- Last Day of School - 6/18/26 (tentatively)

PUBLIC ACCESS – *None:*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *None:*

NEW BUSINESS – *None*

RECESSED

The Regular Session was **recessed at 6:22 p.m.**

PUBLIC HEARING: FY27 BUDGET

6:30 p.m. – Public Hearing Opened.

- **Introductions:** Members of the School Committee were introduced.
- **Budget Presentation:** Deborah Boyd, Kristen Leo, and Teresa Ferrentino presented a comprehensive, page-by-page overview of the **FY27 Budget**, addressing questions from the committee and the public as they arose.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:59 p.m.

RECONVENED - Regular Session at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION 26-26, made by Erik Iller, seconded by Candice Greene, to move forward with the amount of \$3,530,132.00 to the March Town Meeting.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT –

Motion 26-27 was made at 7:06 p.m., by Erik Iller, seconded by Candice Greene, to adjourn the meeting

VOTE: Unanimous, All in Favor

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Miarecki
Recording Secretary