January 14, 2016

A meeting of the Wareham School Committee was held on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Wareham High School Auditorium. Members present were Geoff Swett, Rhonda Veugen, and Mel Lazarus as well as Superintendent Shaver-Hood. Absent were members Cliff Sylvia and Judy Caporiccio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and was being recorded for audio and visual by WCTV.

Informational Meeting Regarding Possible 8th Grade Move to Wareham High School

The Administration made the following presentation:

- 8th grade STEAM Academy would stay and then develop a STEAM Academy for Grade 9
- Next year, both High School and Middle School students will be 1:1 with Chromebook
- 8th grade schedule will mirror the high school schedule
- Lunches: 8th grade exclusive separate lunch
- IB program available in 9th grade
- · Dual Enrollment for Grade 8 will continue
- All students will have an opportunity to take 2 dual enrollment courses, if they are inclined

The meeting was opened for questions from parents and students and answered by the Committee members and Administration. The parents and students also expressed their concerns with the move including social interaction, transitioning of students, and having "pomp and circumstance" traditions,

The meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted: