Lexington School Committee Hastings PTA Meeting, Maria Hastings Elementary School, Cafeteria 8 Crosby Road Thursday, April 12, 2012 7:00 PM

This document was prepared by the Chair.

Present: Mary Ann Stewart, School Committee Chair; Members Bonnie Brodner, Margaret Coppe, and Jessie Steigerwald. Member Alessandro Alessandrini and Student Representative Noah Coolidge were not present.

Members of the School Committee met as guests of the Hastings PTA. The meeting was informational, no LPS business was undertaken.

The Chair called the meeting of the Lexington School Committee to order. Becky Barrentine and Betty Gau, Hastings Co-Presidents, and Louise Lipsitz, Hastings Principal, welcomed the School Committee to the Hastings PTA meeting.

1. Member Introductions

Becky Barrentine invited School Committee members to introduce themselves, asking that Members note their name, school district, grade of any children attending school, how long members had been on the School Committee, and why they ran for School Committee.

2. How the School Committee Functions

Members discussed the purpose, goals, and scope of the work of the School Committee, School Committee meetings, Open Meeting Law, and when and how Executive Sessions are used. There were questions and comments from members of Hastings PTA.

3. How New Policies are Developed

The Committee discussed where new ideas come from and how they are developed. There were questions and comments from members of Hastings PTA.

Motion to adjourn (Steigerwald, Brodner). The Motion was approved (4-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

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