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SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

7:00 pm

District Office – Conference Room
2 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930

AGENDA

Meetings are recorded

- I. **CALL TO ORDER/Statement of Mission**
- II. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**
- **III. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**
- IV. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON**
- V. **RECOGNITIONS**
- VI. **GHS STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**
- VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - *A. **Approval of Minutes**
 - 1. School Committee and Executive Session of November 30, 2016
 - 2. School Committee of December 14, 2016
 - 3. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of December 21, 2016
 - *B. **Approval of Warrants – Cover Sheets**
 - *C. **Approval of Transfers – Approval of Transfers from November 8, 2016 to December 14, 2016**
 - D. **Referrals**
 - *E. **Out-of-State Field Trip Approval**
 - 1. GHS Trip Jr. ROTC to Irving Texas for Marine Corps JROTC National Drill Team Championship from Wednesday, April 19 to Sunday, April 23, 2017 (During Spring Recess)

2. Annual O'Maley School Grade 8 Trip to Washington, DC from Wednesday, March 29 to Saturday, April 1, 2017

***F. Acceptance of Gifts**

1. \$400 from Shaws of East Gloucester to O'Maley Middle School
 2. \$150 from Jessica C.E. Gienow-Hecht & Heiko Hecht to O'Maley Middle School
 3. \$648 from Hockmeyer Studios, Inc. to O'Maley Middle School
 4. \$50 from Lueders Environmental, Inc. to the Gloucester Public Schools
 5. \$1,000 from John & Paula Axelrod to the GHS Vocational Program
 6. \$3,000 from Cape Ann Savings Bank for Athletic Program
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VIII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Budget Update (Current and Future)

B. Report on Lead Sampling Testing

***C. Superintendent's Report**

IX. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS (Items listed under X. ACTION may be brought forward with reports)

A. Building & Finance Sub-Committee Meeting of December 21, 2016 — Tony Gross, Chairperson

Agenda: District Expenditures, Food Services – Student Meal Balances and Financials, DPW Open and Closed Tickets, Budget Transfers, Create West Parish Before School Program revolving fund with an initial yearly spending limit of \$35,000, Review Building Use Fees, and Advertising at the Softball Field.

X. ACTION

***A. Approval of Grants**

1. Massachusetts DESE Special Education Program Improvement Grant in the amount of \$24,144
2. Gloucester Education Foundation in the amount of \$887 for Math Fact Fluency with Reflexmath at East Gloucester Elementary School

B. West Parish Elementary Before School Program (As recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on December 21, 2016) – To authorize the Director of Finance & Operations to establish a revolving fund for the West Parish Before School Program with an initial yearly spending limit of \$35,000

- *C. **Building Use Fees** (*As recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on December 21, 2016*) – To approve new building use fees
- D. **Advertising at the Softball Field** (*As recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on December 21, 2016*) – To approve GHS Softball Boosters’ application to sell advertising at the softball field with the condition that no signs be placed on the backstop

XI. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Massachusetts School Building Authority Project Update**

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. **To Discuss Status with GTA Negotiations**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Action items may include motions that come out of sub-committees.

*Enclosures

**Oral Communication: The public shall have the opportunity at every regular School Committee meeting to be heard under Oral Communications. Oral Communications shall allow any resident who has a request or complaint of any nature relative to the School Committee business to appear before the School Committee, state their problem without debate, and the matter may be referred to the proper sub-committee.

For items that are on the agenda, members of the public may address the Committee with the permission of the Chair. Persons speaking under Oral Communications shall be limited to three (3) minutes each and shall submit a copy of their prepared communication to the Recording Secretary. The School Committee Chair shall not allow complaints as to individual performance or character.