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SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, February 28, 2018
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. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of January 16, 2018
 - 2. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of January 17, 2018
 - 3. School Committee of January 18, 2018
 - *B. Approval of Warrants – Cover Sheets
 - *C. Approval of Transfers – January 10 to 30, 2018
 - D. Referrals

***E. Acceptance of Gift**

1. Jessica C. E. Gienow-Hecht and Heiki Hecht in the amount of \$100 to O'Maley Innovation Middle School
2. Generous Growers has donated seven (7) large whiteboards to our district
3. Donation to the GHS Athletic Department for students in need from Cfca Llc DBA Crossfit Cape Ann in the amount of \$700
4. Building Center has donated 6 gallons of black paint to the Theater Department for use on stage

***F. Approval of Scholarship — Avis R. Murray Scholarship in the amount of \$500**

VIII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Report on Vaping — Officer Scola, and Principals James Cook and Deb Lucey

***B. Safety Measures in the Gloucester Public Schools**

C. FY19 Draft Budget Proposal

***D. Superintendent's Report**

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

- A. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of February 14, 2018 — Chairperson Tony Gross**
Agenda Item: District Expenditures, DPW Open & Closed Tickets, Food Services: Profit & Loss and Student Debt, Budget Transfers, Revolving Funds, and FY19 Budget

X. ACTION

***A. Second Reading of Use of Therapy Dogs in Schools Policy**

XI. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

A. Massachusetts School Building Authority Project Update

***B. Letter (2/13/18) from Richard G. Weissman, Director of Endicott College Gloucester**

***C. Email (2/19/18) from Dave Buchanan**

XII. 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.