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SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, September 26, 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. School Committee of August 8, 2018
 - 2. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of August 15, 2018
 - 3. Personnel Sub-Committee of August 15, 2018
 - *B. Approval of Warrants
 - C. Approval of Transfers
 - D. Referrals

***E. Approval of Field Trips**

1. October 26 & 27, 2018 – JROTC to Mexico, NY for Drill Team participation in completion
2. December 7 & 8, 2018 – JROTC to Reading, PA for Drill Team participation in competition

VIII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- A. **Summer STEM and the Gloucester Biotechnology Academy Program** — John Doyle, Executive Director of Gloucester Biotechnology Academy
- B. **Continued conversation regarding Audio Recordings on School Buses** — Principals/Directors

***C. Superintendent’s Report**

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

- A. **Building & Finance Sub-Committee of September 19, 2018** — Chairperson Tony Gross
Agenda Items: District Expenditures, DPW Open and Closed Tickets, Food Services, Budget Transfers, Revolving Funds, Cash Handling Procedures, Procurement Procedures, and Preschool Nurse

X. ACTION

- A. **To authorize the Superintendent to send a letter to the City Council requesting funds to address flooring issues in shops** (*As recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on 9/19/18*)
- B. **To increase the Preschool Nurse’s hours by one hour per day on Mondays through Thursday** (*As recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on 9/19/18*)
- C. **Acceptance of GEF Grants**
 1. \$38,373 for Physics, Technology, and Next Generation Science
 2. \$15,050 for After School Music, Ballroom Dance, and Seeking Relief from Sea Level Rise

XI. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

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

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.