



SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 22, 2014

7:00 pm

Superintendent Conference Room — District Office
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. Special School Committee & Executive Session of October 2, 2014

*2. School Committee & Executive Session of October 8, 2014

*3. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of October 15, 2014

*B. **Approval of Warrants — Cover Sheets**

*C. **Approval of Transfers through October 10, 2014**, as recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting of October 15, 2014

D. **Referrals**

- *E. **Gloucester Education Foundation Gift** – Donation of a Hewlett Packard 42” Designjet 500 Plotter/Printer and stand, valued at \$2,000 from Ken and Patty Hecht of Hecht Development in Gloucester. In addition, they donated paper stock for the printer

 - *F. **Gloucester Education Foundation Grants**
 - 1. \$646.90 for O’Maley Innovation Middle School’s Garden Project supplies
 - 2. \$15,820: Math Olympiads Program in the Elementary Schools (\$6,000); Science field trips, supplies, and stipends (\$8,820); and East Gloucester Elementary School theater program for stage manager stipend (\$1,000)

 - *G. **Out-of-State Field Trip** – To approve an annual out-of-state field trip request from GHS Boys Ice Hockey to attend scrimmages at Essex Junction Regional High School and BFA High School in Vermont on Friday, December 5, 2014

 - *H. **DESE Grants**
 - 1. \$8,000 Early Childhood Special Education Improvement Grant (FY15)
 - 2. \$26,277 Early Childhood Special Education Entitlement Grant (FY15)
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VIII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- *A. **Presentation on the ALICE Program** — Police Lieutenant Gossom

- *B. **Walker Report** — Robert McArdle

- *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 October 15, 2014** — Chairperson Sweet
Agenda: FY 2015 Budget Update, Unanticipated expenses, transfers, update on outstanding meal payment balances, and purchase request – elementary (Elmos)

X. ACTION

DISCLAIMER: Listed below are all known items that may require action but action may not be taken on all items listed; i.e., action items that are known including all votes taken by all sub-committees previous to the Friday before a Wednesday School Committee meeting and items that may flow from the Superintendent's Report

A. Approval of transfer in the amount of \$208,855 from contingency fund to the appropriate account for the purpose of paying the following unanticipated expenses, as recommended by the Building and Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting of October 15, 2014

1. Settlement Agreements \$25,200.00
2. Additional St. Ann's Expenses \$31,071.00
3. Additional Paraprofessionals \$39,346.00
4. New Student at Home for Little Wanderers \$73,338.00
5. New Student at Northshore Education Consortium \$39,000.00

***B. Approval of Second Reading of Policies:**

1. Student Conduct Policy, File JIC
2. Student Absences and Excuses Policy, File JH
3. Student Responsible Use Policy, File IJNDB (Grades 2-5 and Grades 6-12)

***C. Approval of First Reading of Student Discipline Policy, File JK,** as revised and recommended by the Program Sub-Committee at its meeting on September 25, 2014

***D. Approval of the West Parish Elementary School Proprietary Specifications Items**

XI. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

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

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. For the purpose of explaining a GTA Grievance regarding Substitute Teaching

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

*Enclosures