



THE GLOUCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 7, 2015

7:00 pm

Superintendent Conference Room — District Office
2 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930

AGENDA

Meetings are recorded

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- 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 (Confidential) of September 23, 2015
 - 2. Program Sub-Committee of October 1, 2015
 - *B. Approval of Warrants — Cover Sheets**
 - C. Approval of Transfers**
 - D. Referrals**
 - 1. Supplement to Student Handbooks – Links to School Committee Policy Manual
 - 2. Physical Restraint of Students, File JKAA

***E. Acceptance of Grants**

1. Gloucester Education Foundation Grant in the amount of \$12,000 for the study on Closing the Gender Gap in STEM
2. Gloucester Education Foundation Grant in the amount of \$6,800 for 3-D Printer Program at GHS

***F. Acceptance of Gift** — Shaw’s Supermarkets Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$400 to Beeman Memorial Elementary Schools.

***G. Out-of-State Field Trip** — GHS Softball Team to Historic Dodgertown, Vero Beach, Florida from Sunday, April 17 to Friday, April 22, 2016 (During School Spring Recess).

VIII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A. ROTC Program Update – Gunner Richard Muth

***B. Memorandum of Agreement: 12 Prioritized Rubrics**

***C. GHS MCAS Report**

***D. Superintendent’s Report**

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

A. Program Sub-Committee Meeting of October 1, 2015 — Michelle Sweet, Chairperson

Agenda: Extraordinary Performance/Service Award Policy File BHF; Naming New Facilities Policy, File FF; Attendance/Catchment Areas Policy, File JC; Assignment of Students to Schools Policy, File JCA; Admission of Students to Elementary Schools Policy, File JF; Graduation Requirements, File IKF; and confirm a meeting schedule.

X. ACTION

***A. Admission of Students to Elementary Schools Policy, File JF** (*As recommended by the Program Sub-Committee at its meeting on 10/1/15*)

To add to paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2 (Page 2) “Dates may be waived subject to any substantive change in catchment areas”

A. Recognition Sub-Committee (*As recommended by the Program Sub-Committee at its meeting on 10/1/15*)

To establish a Recognition Sub-Committee for Vetting Extraordinary Service/ Performance Awards and Establishing Guidelines for Same

XI. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

A. Massachusetts School Building Authority Project Update

B. Authority to Accept Gloucester Education Foundation Grants — Administrative Process

XII. ADJOURNMENT

DISCLAIMER: 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.