



THE GLOUCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, December 16, 2015

7:00 pm

District Office – Superintendent’s Conference Room

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 of December 2, 2015
 - *2. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of December 9, 2015
 - *B. Approval of Warrants — Cover Sheets**
 - *C. Approval of Transfers — November 6 to December 3, 2015**
 - D. Referrals**
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VIII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A. **Special Education Report** — Patty Wegmann, Special Education Director

B. **Superintendent’s Evaluation**

*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 9, 2015** — Kathy Clancy, Chairperson

Agenda: Review of Athletic Program Financial Controls, District Expenditures, Revolving Accounts, Food Services Student Meal Balances, DPW Open & Closed Tickets, Request SC approval to request City Council to increase the Annual Preschool Revolving Expenditure Limit from \$45,000 to \$75,000, Budget Transfers, and Request SC approval to adjust individual employee contracts tied to the GTA Agreement

X. ACTION

A. **Acceptance of Grants**

- *1. Massachusetts DESE Grant – (a) \$110,228 21st Century Community Learning Centers – Continuation Grant, and (b) \$27,144 Special Education – Program Improvement Grant
- *2. Gloucester Education Foundation Grant - \$26,500 to support the GHS Technology Integration Professional Development Program
- *3. Yellow School Bus Grants – (a) \$200 to O’Maley Middle School, and (b) \$200 to Veterans’ Memorial Elementary School

B. **Increase of Preschool Revolving Expenditure Limit** (*as recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on 12/9/15*)

To direct the CFO to request the City Council to increase the annual preschool revolving expenditure limit from \$45,000 to \$75,000

C. **Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement with the Gloucester Teachers Association for July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016**

D. **Individual Employee Contracts – Increased Salary** *(as recommended by the Building & Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on 12/9/15)*

Approval of increased salary to individual employee contracts tied to the GTA increase, contingent upon School Committee's approval of the GTA contract

XI. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

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

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. **To approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Gloucester Teachers Association**

XIII. 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.