



THE GLOUCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, January 10, 2011

5:00 pm

School Committee Chambers – District Office
6 School House Road, Gloucester, MA 01930

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Scheduled Oral Communications
- B. Unscheduled Oral Communications

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

V. RECOGNITIONS

VI. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Kelly Benson, Lauren Palazola, and Moriah O'Neill

The Agenda will be taken out of order as follows

X. DISCUSSION

- A. **Superintendent Search Update** — Mike Gilbert of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees will be present
 - 1. Discussion of Four Site Visits and Reference Checks.
 - 2. Preparation for Upcoming Interviews.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes

- *1. Joint City Council Budget & Finance and School Committee Building & Finance Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2010.
- *2. School Committee Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2010.
- 3. School Committee Executive Session Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2010.
- *4. School Committee Meeting Minutes of December 20, 2010.

B. Schedule of Future Meetings

Special School Committee Meetings – Superintendent Finalist Interviews at 7 pm at the Gloucester High School Library:

1. Wednesday, January 12, 2011 (Dr. Richard Safier)
2. Thursday, January 13, 2011 (Dr. Rebecca Gates)
3. Tuesday, January 18, 2011 (Dr. Maureen Bingham)
4. Wednesday, January 19, 2011 (Mr. Paul Schlichtman)
5. Thursday, January 20, 2011 (Mr. Kelly Clenchy)

Building & Finance Sub-Committee – Wednesday, January 26, 2011, at 4:45 pm

Location: Council Conference Room at City Hall

Agenda: TBD

Please note that the meeting will be held at City Hall

School Committee – Wednesday, January 26, 2011, at 7:00 pm

Location: Kyrouz Auditorium – City Hall

Agenda: TBD

***C. District Education Forum Series**

Location: Cruiseport Gloucester, 6 Rowe Square, Gloucester

Date: Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Topic: Essential Learning Skills in the 21st Century

VIII. REPORTS/DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES

A. Report of the Superintendent of Schools (*To follow*)

IX. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

***A. Building & Finance Sub-Committee of December 15, 2010 — Vice-Chairperson Teixeira**

Note: Ms. Teixeira chaired the meeting in the absence of Mrs. Clancy. She gave an oral report at the December 15, 2010, School Committee Meeting which was held earlier that evening at 4:45 pm.

X. DISCUSSION

***B. FY 2011 Year-End Budget Projection**

***C. Charter Legislation Funding Reform**

XI. ACTION

***A. Acceptance of Resignation from School Committee Member, Nancy Harrison**

- *1. Review the City Charter, Section 4-5 on a Replacement and Discuss the Timetable.
- *2. Email from Mayor Kirk on School Committee Election Process.
- *3. Email from Councilor Bruce Tobey on Resignation of School Committee Member.

***B. Out-of-State Field Trip Request**

To approve an out-of-state field trip request by the GHS Junior ROTC to attend the 2011 USMC Service Air-Rifle Championships in Albuquerque, New Mexico on Thursday, February 17 to Monday, February 21, 2010 (See attached program).

***C. Acceptance of Gift**

To accept a check in the amount of \$1,500 from BioLabs donated to the West Parish Elementary School.

***D. Request from Deputy Fire Chief, Miles Schlichte**

To approve a request from Deputy Fire Chief, Miles Schlichte, to utilize rooms 228 and 229 and storage space at the Fuller School for an Emergency Operations Center.

XII. OTHER COMMUNICATION

A. For Your Information

- *1. Information from Kathy Clancy on “*School Funding Reality: A Bargain Not Kept*”, prepared by Ed Moscovitch, President of Cape Ann Economics.
- *2. Copy of Letter dated December 17, 2010, to Senator Tarr and Representative Ferrante.
- *3. Email Press Release from the DOE on “*Over 99 Percent of Districts Meet December 31st Deadline for Submitting Local Anti-Bullying Plans*”.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- *A. To discuss strategies for pending litigation.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

*Attachments