



**THE GLOUCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

7:00 pm

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

**AGENDA**

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**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

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**VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. **Approval of Minutes**

- \*1. School Committee Meeting of March 2, 2011.
- \*2. Special School Committee Meeting of March 7, 2011 (*Minutes to follow*)

B. **Schedule of Future Meetings**

**Building & Finance Sub-Committee** – NOTE: The meeting scheduled on Tuesday, March 15, 2011, was CANCELLED.

**Public Hearing/School Committee** – Wednesday, March 30, 2011, at 7:00 pm  
Location: Fuller School Auditorium

- \*Agenda: See draft attached agenda

**Program Sub-Committee** – Friday, April 1, 2011, at 9:30 am

Location: Superintendent's Conference Room  
Agenda: To be announced

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**School Committee** – Wednesday, April 13, 2011, at 7:00 pm

Location: Kyrouz Auditorium – City Hall

Agenda: To be announced

**Building & Finance Sub-Committee** – Wednesday, April 20, 2011, at 4:45 pm

Location: Superintendent’s Conference Room

**NOTE: To be confirmed – School Vacation Week**

**School Committee** – Wednesday, April 27, 2011, at 7:00 pm

Location: Kyrouz Auditorium – City Hall

Agenda: To be announced

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**VIII. REPORTS/DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATIONAL ISSUES**

**\*A. FY 2012 Operating Budget**

To consider a budget to be published for the Public Hearing scheduled for March 30, 2011; i.e., parent/community outreach/communication for attendance/all call/backpack fliers

**B. Status on School Committee/City Council Liaison Meetings**

**\*C. Report of the Superintendent of Schools**

**IX. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**\*A. Special Building & Finance Sub-Committee Report of March 7, 2011 —**  
Chairperson Clancy (*Minutes to follow*)

**\*B. Program Sub-Committee Report of March 11, 2011 —** Chairperson Garberg  
(*Minutes to follow*)

**X. DISCUSSION**

**\*A. Policy Review**

MASC Policy Integration/Prioritizing an Action Plan: “Service Animals Policy” and review GPS existing policy “Animals in the Classroom” File: IMG — First Reading.

**B. Short and Long Term Plan/Marketing and Promotion of Our Schools**

Discussion of short-term use of current district website and home page; and discussion of current items for announcements, Education Forum video, and other documents.

**C. Status of Superintendent Transition Plans and School Committee/New Superintendent Governance Workshop**

**\*D. Youth Initiatives Task Force Adult Code of Conduct/School Committee Input**

**XI. ACTION**

**\*A. Administrative Protocol Policy** (*Tabled by the School Committee at its meeting of March 2, 2010*):

First Reading of File CFB and GBEC “Administrative Protocol when Dealing with Serious Criminal and/or Legal Incidents”.

**\*B. School Calendar/Finalization FY 2011-2012** (*Tabled by the School Committee at its meeting of March 2, 2010*)

To approve the FY 2011-2012 School Calendar.

**C. FY 2012 Operating Budget – Draft 2**

To approve that the FY 2012 Operating Budget be published for the Public Hearing scheduled for March 30, 2011 (*See Draft Public Hearing Agenda attached, item VII.B.*).

**XII. OTHER COMMUNICATION**

**A. For Your Information**

- \*1. MASC – Day on the Hill on March 29, 2011, from 9 am to 2 pm..
- \*2. Press Release “School Committee Tackles FY 2012 Budget – Team Work and Pre-Planning Pay-Off”.
- \*3. Email (3/8/11) – Michael Long, Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents General Counsel, regarding health insurance.
- \*4. Acknowledgement letter from Senior Care to GHS Junior ROTC Program.
- \*5. Letter (3/14/11) from Chairperson Gilman to Mr. & Mrs. Alan & Mary Ray.

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- \*6. Kathy Clancy's testimony before Ways and Means Public Hearing regarding health insurance and letter regarding Plan Design Bill H.2964.
- \*7. Email from Jim Duggan listing budget dates for various City departments.

**XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. To receive an update on contract negotiations with union and non-union personnel.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

\*Attachments