

MEETING OF THE NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 10, 2022 ♦ 6:30PM – 10:05PM

Online Zoom Meeting

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's [Emergency Order](#) Modifying the State's Open Meeting Law issued March 12, 2020, the March 10, 2022 meeting of the Northampton School Committee will be held using remote participation.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY DURING THE ZOOM MEETING FOR THE March 10, 2022 SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING. WRITTEN TESTIMONY IS ALSO ENCOURAGED FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND THE VIRTUAL MEETING.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY/COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CLERK AT: anniethompson@northampton-k12.us UNTIL 5 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022 TO BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THAT MEETING.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCING WEBSITE:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84347337801>

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YOU WILL BE PROMPTED TO ENTER THE MEETING ID

THEN YOU WILL BE PROMPTED TO ENTER A PARTICIPANT NUMBER IF

YOU DO NOT HAVE A PARTICIPANT NUMBER, ENTER #

PLEASE WAIT TO BE RECOGNIZED BY THE CHAIR

THE CHAIR WILL RECOGNIZE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ORDER OF THEIR CALL

Agenda

6:30 I. Roll Call

6:35 II. Public Comment Period

6:55 III. Announcements

7:00 IV. Recommended Actions – (VOTE by Consent Agenda)

A. Approval of minutes:

- School Committee / February 10, 2022
- Special School Committee Meeting, February 16, 2022
- School Committee Budget Meeting, February 28, 2022

B. Acceptance of Donations:

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C. Budget Transfers:

- District to custodial, \$30,000 to settle account deficit
- Legal Services Transfer, \$135,000 to cover deficit in Legal Services

7:10 V. Reports and Recommendations (Subcommittees, administrators, special groups, liaisons, etc.)

A. Rules & Policy

B. Budget & Property

Gwen Agna

C. Superintendent Evaluation

D. Curriculum

Meg Robbins

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The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

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F. Personnel Report Nick Bernier
G. Superintendent's Report John Provost

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A. Student Representative Report Lila Nields-Duffy
B. VOTE: to approve mural project Miriam Bourke
C. VOTE: to approve Pre-K fees John Provost
D. VOTE: to grant waiver of masking policy to allow for unmasked musical performance at the high school Kaia Goleman
E. Report: Superintendent's Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) Kaia Goleman
F. VOTE: to Direct the Superintendent to gather community feedback on masking in schools John Provost
G. VOTE: to refer policy section "A" to the Rules & Policy Subcommittee for review Meg Robbins
H. VOTE: to accept school choice students John Provost
I. Discussion and possible VOTE: To authorize the superintendent to form an ad-hoc late-start survey subcommittee and seek collaboration with members of the ARPS school community. John Provost
J. VOTE: to approve job description for EL Hub Educator John Provost
K. VOTE: to return to in-person School Committee meetings or remain in remote meetings Gina-Louise Sciarra

9:30 VII. School Committee discussion topics

9:30 VIII. Future Business and Meeting Dates (all meetings will be held via Zoom conferencing until further notice):

- Rules & Policy Subcommittee / Wednesday, March 16 / 4:00PM
- Negotiating Subcommittee / Tuesday, March 22 / 5:00PM
- Curriculum Subcommittee / Wednesday, March 23 / 5:00PM
- School Committee / Thursday, March 24 / 6:30PM
- Curriculum Subcommittee / Wednesday, April 13 / 5:00PM
- School Committee w/ SAC / Thursday, April 14 / 6:00PM

9:35 IX. Executive Session: Request to Enter Executive Session under Massachusetts General Law Open Meeting Chapter 30A Sec. 21 (a)(2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; (a)(3)) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares;

10:05 X. Adjourn

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