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CLERK OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
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AGENDA #3

The School Committee will hold a virtual and/or in person meeting:

on: Thursday, February 2, 2023
at: 5:00 p.m. Executive Session
6:00 p.m. Regular Session
in: Esther Howland South Chamber, City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. General Business Items taken in Executive Session

gb 3- 59 –Administration
(January 20, 2023)

To discuss strategy with respect to a litigation of a Worker’s Compensation case for a Bus Monitor.

gb 3- 61 – Administration
(January 26, 2023)

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations – Educational Association of Worcester, Units A/B.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations – Educational Association of Worcester, Instructional Assistants Unit.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the

chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations - Massachusetts Laborers’ District Council for and in behalf of Worcester Public Service Employees Local Union 272 of the Laborers’ International Union of North America, AFL-CIO, Unit D, Computer Technicians.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations – Educational Association of Worcester, Aides to the Physically Handicapped, Monitors and Drivers Unit.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations – International Union of Public Employees, Plumbers & Steamfitters, Local – 125.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations – International Union of Public Employees, Tradesmen, Local -135.

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares – Successor Contract Negotiations – Educational Association of Worcester, Therapy Assistants Unit.

To discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares – Employee v. Worcester Public Schools, et al., Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, Discrimination Charge (2020) and Discrimination Charge (2022).

B. Call to Order

C. Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem

Rice Square Elementary School Chorus sing the National Anthem.

D. Roll Call

E. Consent Agenda

i. Approval of Minutes

AOR – 3-5 Clerk
(January 2023)

To approve of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, January 19, 2023.

ii. Approval of Donations

gb 3-58 – Administration

(January 25, 2023)

Donations

To approve of a donation of \$1,500 from Milton CAT for the South High Community School's Diesel Program.

To approve of a donation of \$500 from United AG & Turf NE, LLC for South High Community School's Diesel Program.

To approve of a donation of \$500.00 from Sunbelt rentals to South High Community School's Diesel program.

To approve of a donation of \$1,000 from Girls on the Run to Burncoat Middle School.

To approve of a donation of \$2,500.00 from Fallon Health to Lincoln Street School for the Breezy's Basement and Juniper's Food Pantry.

iii. Notification of Personnel Records

iv. Initial filing of individual recognitions

gb 3-49 – McCullough

(January 17, 2023)

To forward a letter to Brian Sundstrom, Burncoat Senior Class President and member of the Boys Volleyball Team, congratulating him for his leadership and advocacy in procuring a grant that will support athletics at his school.

Recommendation of Administration

Refer the Administration to forward a letter

F. Items for Reconsideration

G. Held Items

H. Recognition

I. Public Comment

Any member of the public may address the Committee regarding any item before them for two (2) minutes. Those speaking will state their name, their residence, and the item on which they wish to speak for the record. Those speaking may do so in person or via remote participation. Those wishing to address the Committee in a language other than English are asked to notify the Clerk of the Committee in advance, so the Committee may be provided with an interpreter. Members of the Committee may not respond to the comments of the public at the meeting.

J. Public Petition

gb 3-62 Petition

(January 25, 2023)

To approve of a request to donate sick days for a paraprofessional at North High School.

K. Report of the Superintendent

ROS 3-3 – Administration

(January 2023)

FROM HERE, ANYWHERE... TOGETHER:

Advancing the Success of Students with Disabilities - Part 1

Recommendation of Administration

Accept and file.

L. Reports of the Standing Committees

The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met virtually on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 6:30pm.

M. Student Advisory Committee Items

N. Approval of Grants and other Finance Items

gb 3-51- Administration

(January 20, 2023)

Prior Year Payments

To approve of a prior fiscal year payment of \$860.41 to a retired administrator.

To approve of a prior fiscal year payment of \$78.48 to a retired employee.

To approve of a prior fiscal year payment of \$290.00 to Rochester 100 Inc.

Recommendation of Administration

Approval on a Roll Call

gb 3-54 - Administration
(January 24, 2023)

To approve of the FC215 Genocide Education Grant from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in the amount of \$57,120.

Recommendation of Administration

Approve on a roll call.

gb 3-55 - Administration
(January 24, 2023)

To approve of the FC104 Financial Literacy Planning and Implementation Grant from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in the amount of \$15,000.

Recommendation of Administration

Approve on a roll call.

gb 3-56 - Administration
(January 24, 2023)

To accept the Teacher Diversification Pilot Program Grant (FC253) in the amount of \$45,756.00.

Recommendation of Administration

Approve on a roll call.

gb 3-57 - Administration
(January 24, 2023)

To accept the ParentChild+ Pipeline Program Launch Grant funded by the Wellington Foundation in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Recommendation of Administration

Approve on a roll call.

O. General Business

gb 3-48 - McCullough

(January 16, 2023)

To explore the hiring of athletic trainers for high school athletics.

Recommendation of Administration

Refer to the Administration.

gb 3-50 - Clancey

(January 20, 2023)

To review and update, if necessary, the Voluntary Controlled Transfer Policy.

Recommendation of Administration

Refer to the Standing Committee of Governance and Employee Issues.

gb 3-53 – O’Connell Novick

(January 24, 2024)

Request the Administration update the School Committee on the ongoing municipal broadband committee work.

Recommendation of Administration

Update and File

gb 3-60 – Kamara

(January 25, 2024)

To develop on-going learning options when there is inclement weather.

Recommendation of Administration

Refer to Teaching Learning and Student Supports

P. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Helen A. Friel, Ed.D.
Clerk of the School Committee

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