

CLERK OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
20 IRVING STREET
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01609

AGENDA #13

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on: Thursday, May 1, 2014
at: 6:00 p.m. – Executive Session
7:00 p.m. – Regular Session
in the: Esther Howland South Chamber, City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ACTION

I. CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

INVOCATION - Pastor Lou Soiles
Journey Community Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS - NONE

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

V. IMMEDIATE ACTION

gb #4-73.1 - Administration/Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Novick/Mr. Foley/
Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/Mayor Petty
(April 22, 2014)

To recognize Meggan Mwangi and Paris Jensen, on the awards they received at the Worcester Regional Science Fair for their projects on the Ozone and on Knowledge of Environmental Change, respectively.

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IMMEDIATE ACTION

ACTION

gb #4-97.1 - Administration/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. Foley/Ms. Novick/
Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria
(April 22, 2014)

To recognize the following students from Worcester Technical High School for their outstanding posters in the "Safe Jobs for Youth Poster Contest," sponsored by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health:

Liz Otero, first place
Christa Diaz, finalist

gb #4-124.1 - Administration/Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick/
Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Foley/Miss Biancheria
(April 23, 2014)

To recognize Professor Mark Wagner and his class of Worcester State University students for their three years of community service projects at Chandler Magnet School.

gb #4-132 - Ms. Novick
(April 22, 2014)

To recognize James Bedard for his 9 years of dedicated service to the Worcester Public Schools as the Facilities Director.

VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

ros #4-5 - Administration
(April 22, 2014)

SEVEN POINT FINANCIAL PLAN FOR ADVANCING STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT AND PROGRAM SUSTAINABILITY

VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION - NONE

VIII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

ACTION

The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 28, 2014 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 28, 2014 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building to conduct the FY15 Budget Listening Session.

THE ACTION SHEETS CAN BE FOUND IN THE APPROPRIATE PLACE IN THE BACKUP

IX. PERSONNEL - NONE

X. GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #4-76.1 - Administration/Ms. Novick
(April 23, 2014)

Response of the Administration to the request to provide for access to library materials during MCAS and other testing.

gb #4-127 - Administration
(April 17, 2014)

To accept a donation from the United Way of Central Massachusetts as an incentive award from the 2013 United Way Campaign in the amount of \$1,000 made payable to the Worcester Public Schools to be shared by Belmont Community School (\$500) and Burncoat High School (\$500).

gb #4-128 - Mr. Monfredo
(April 21, 2014)

Request that the Administration, on behalf of the School Committee, forward an e-mail to all teachers and nurses in the Worcester Public Schools during National Teacher's week May 5 – 9 and Nurses' Appreciation Week May 5 – 11 in appreciation for their efforts for the students in the Worcester Public Schools.

GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #4-129 - Mr. Monfredo
(April 21, 2014)

To set a date to recognize the Worcester Public Schools' Teacher of the Year and the finalists.

gb #4-130 - Mr. Monfredo
(April 21, 2014)

To set a date to recognize the Worcester Public Schools' Nurse of the Year.

gb #4-131 - Administration
(April 22, 2014)

To accept a grant in the amount of \$2,000 from the Whole Kids Foundation School Garden Grant to North High School.

gb #4-133 - Miss Biancheria
(April 22, 2014)

Request that the Administration consider providing transportation for the Reach and Challenge students at dismissal time from the Fanning Building site to their respective neighborhoods.

gb #4-134 - Miss Biancheria
(April 22, 2014)

Request that the Administration provide an update relative to the Worcester Technical High School's 2014 Graduation Ceremony.

gb #4-135 - Administration
(April 23, 2014)

To consider approval of a prior fiscal year payment in the amount of \$2,652.

GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #4-136 - Administration
(April 23, 2014)

Request that the School Committee approve the policy governing Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) checks made for non-criminal justice purposes.

gb #4-137 - Administration
(April 23, 2014)

To consider the quarterly update, dated March 31, 2014, prepared by the Central MA Special Education Collaborative.

gb #4-138 - Administration
(April 23, 2014)

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 governmental body, to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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