

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

AGENDA #6

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on: Thursday, February 16, 2012
at: 5:30 p.m. – Executive Session
7:00 p.m. – Regular Session
in: Conference Room, Worcester Technical High School

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ACTION

I. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

INVOCATION - Pastor Ron Cousineau
Belmont Street Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS

aor #2-5 - Clerk
(February 8, 2012)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, February 2, 2012.

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

V. IMMEDIATE ACTION

gb #2-39.1 - Administration/Administration
(February 6, 2012)

To recognize Becker College for its support by providing athletic equipment to the students at Elm Park Community School to help develop their health, fitness and social/emotional development.

VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

ACTION

ros #2-4 - Administration
(February 8, 2012)

PRESENTATION OF THE LEVEL IV STAKEHOLDERS'
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BURNCOAT PREPARATORY
SCHOOL

VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION - NONE

VIII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

The Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports met at 5:35 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2012 in Room 410 at the Dr. John E. Durkin Administration Building.

The Joint Meeting of the Standing Committee on Finance and Operations and the Education Committee of the City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2012 in the Cafeteria at Doherty Memorial High School.

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

IX. PERSONNEL

2-7 The Superintendent has ACCEPTED the RESIGNATION of the persons named below:

Ciullo, Cynthia, Elementary, Midland, effective January 31, 2012
Rentas, Lillian, Elementary, Woodland, effective January 17, 2012
Roshi, Marjola, Psychologist, Systemwide, effective January 27, 2012
Torres, Charles, Engineering, North High, effective January 31, 2012

2-8 The Superintendent has APPROVED the APPOINTMENT of the person named below to the effective as follows:

Falcucci, Daniel, Mathematics, Burncoat High, BA Step 1, \$41,628 effective January 30, 2012. Licensed: Mathematics 8-12.

Halfmann, William, Guidance, Doherty High, MA Step 5, \$57,192 effective February 6, 2012. Licensed: School Guidance Counselor 5-12.

Murphy, Dorothy, Psychologist, Systemwide, MA+30 Step 3, \$55,546 (60FTE) effective January 30, 2012. Licensed: School Psychologist K-12.

X. GENERAL BUSINESS

ACTION

gb #1-295.1 - Administration/Miss Biancheria
(February 8, 2012)

Response of the Administration to the request to provide a report on the Challenge and Reach Program which is housed at the Fanning Building to include the number of students enrolled, their school of origin, class size and placement process.

gb #2-44 - Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell
(February 8, 2012)

Request that the Administration review the schools' customer service procedures to ensure that parent involvement is encouraged.

gb #2-45 - Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell
(February 8, 2012)

Request that the Administration investigate ways of recognizing parents who are leading school improvement efforts within the district.

gb #2-46 - Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell
(February 8, 2012)

To partner with the Worcester Public Library to provide library cards for grade 2 students.

gb #2-47 - Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell
(February 8, 2012)

Request that the Administration forward to the Standing Committee a list of all the writing programs and indicate whether such programs are research based.

gb #2-48 - Ms. Novick/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell
(February 8, 2012)

Request that the Administration provide an assessment report on Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) and highlight particularly both technology needs and the phasing out of the current state assessment.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #2-49 - Administration
(February 10, 2012)

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