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

AGENDA #5

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on: Thursday, February 17, 2011
at: 6:00 p.m. - Executive Session
    7:00 p.m. – Regular Session
in: Council Chamber, City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

INVOCATION - Reverend Roosevelt Hughes
            John Street Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS

aor #1-4 - Clerk
           (February 4, 2011)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee
Meeting of Monday, January 31, 2011.

aor #1-5 - Clerk
           (February 9, 2011)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee
Meeting of Thursday, February 3, 2011.

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

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discriminate regardless of race, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, or
homelessness. The Worcester Public Schools provides equal access to employment and the full range of general, occupational
and vocational education programs. For more information relating to Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action contact Stacey
V. IMMEDIATE ACTION

**gb #1-34.1** - Administration/Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria/ Mr. Monfredo  
(February 4, 2011)

To recognize and congratulate the students who were selected and honored as the 2011 scholars of the Worcester County Superintendents’ Association:

Henry Ca, North High School  
Jana Dankova, South High Community School  
Emily Ellis, Doherty Memorial High School  
Alexandra Gicas, South High Community School  
Mylynn Lam, South High Community School  
Samantha MacNeal, Burncoat High School  
David Marcano, University Park Campus School  
Enejda Senko, Claremont Academy  
Amber Ustinovitch, Worcester Technical High School  
Phoebe Walsh-Costello, Doherty Memorial High School

**gb #1-43.1** - Administration/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Foley/ Mr. O’Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(February 4, 2011)

To recognize Dennis Ferrante, former Director of Adult, Continuing and Community Education, for his 33 years of service in the Worcester Public Schools.

**gb #1-50.1** - Administration/Administration  
(February 4, 2011)

To recognize Mark Brophy, Staffing/Mentor Coordinator, for being elected as the President of the American Association for Employment in Education (AAEE) which provides the highest standards in educator preparation, recruitment, hiring and retention.

VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

**ros #1-2.1** - Administration/Administration  
(February 8, 2011)

**FY12 BUDGET UPDATE BASED ON THE GOVERNOR’S PROPOSED BUDGET**
VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION

   c&p #1-1 - Clerk
   (February 9, 2011)

   To consider a communication from the EAW to discuss school conditions and other pertinent issues with regard to the union.

VIII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

   The Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues met at 5:56 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 in Room 410 at the Dr. John E. Durkin Administration Building.

   The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2011 in Room 410 at the Dr. John E. Durkin Administration Building.

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

IX. PERSONNEL - NONE
X. GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #0-273.2 - Administration/Mayor O'Brien  
(February 8, 2011)

Response of the Administration to the request to meet with representatives of Youth Villages, Inc. to discuss ways that the Worcester Public Schools can collaborate with their Intercept and Transitional Living programs that provide intensive community based services for high risk children.

gb #1-17.2 - Administration/Miss Biancheria/Mr. O'Connell  
(February 9, 2011)

Response of the Administration to the request to prepare a report regarding in-state and out-of-state travel for the period from July – December 2010 to encompass any and all funding mechanisms to include conferences, professional development and other travel.

gb #1-54 - Mrs. Novick/Mr. O’Connell  
(January 28, 2011)

Request that the Administration provide evidence of phone coverage at our schools at dismissal time.

gb #1-55 - Mr. O’Connell/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Foley/Mr. Monfredo  
(January 31, 2011)

To consider allowing high school students to fulfill the requirement for physical education, in whole or in part, through participating as team members in their school's interscholastic sports programs.

gb #1-56 - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O’Connell/Miss Biancheria  
(February 7, 2011)

Request that the Administration notify the elementary school principals encouraging them to participate in the NEA’s Read Across America program on March 2, 2011.

gb #1-57 - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O’Connell/Mayor O’Brien/ Miss Biancheria  
(February 7, 2011)

To set a date to recognize Bank of America for its donation of $50,000 to the Main South Promise Neighborhood Program.
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GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

gb #1-64 - Administration (February 11, 2011)

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