AGENDA #18

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on:       Thursday, July 19, 2012
at:       4:00 p.m. – Regular Session
           5:00 p.m. – Executive Session
in:       Council Chamber, City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I.    CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

      INVOCATION - Reverend Paul Frechette
                 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

      PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II.   ROLL CALL

III.  APPROVAL OF RECORDS

      aor #2-14 - Clerk
                   (June 14, 2012)

      To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee
      Meeting of Thursday, June 21, 2012.

IV.   MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

V.    IMMEDIATE ACTION

      gb #2-201.1 - Administration/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/
                     Mr. O’Connell
                   (June 27, 2012)

      To recognize Quinsigamond Community College for its year round
      programs that support the students in the Worcester Public Schools.

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VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

ros #2-11 - Administration
(July 9, 2012)

GATEWAY TO COLLEGE PROJECT AND PARTNERSHIP

VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION - NONE

VIII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - NONE

IX. PERSONNEL - NONE
X. GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #1-279.1 - Administration/Mayor O'Brien/Ms. Novick
(July 11, 2012)

Response of the Administration to the request to provide a financial update on School Choice to include the number of students who are enrolling in the Worcester Public Schools and the number that are attending schools outside the district.

gb #2-153.1 - Administration/Ms. Novick/Mr. Foley/Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Colorio
(June 28, 2012)

Response of the Administration to the request to report on the number of school-based arrests for the past five years, broken down by:

- gender, race, special education, and English Language Learner
- number of those who subsequently dropped out
- number of those who subsequently experienced further police involvement in or out of an educational setting and
- number of those who subsequently saw further court involvement

gb #2-154.1 - Administration/Ms. Novick/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Foley/Mr. Monfredo
(June 28, 2012)

Response of the Administration to the request to report under what circumstances Worcester public school employees file Child in Need of Services requests and indicate how many were filed last year and how many resulted in student arrests.

gb #2-208 - Administration
(June 28, 2012)

To accept a donation in the amount of $1,000 made payable to the Worcester Public Schools to be shared equally by Belmont Community School and Burncoat High School.

gb #2-209 - Administration
(June 28, 2012)

To accept a donation in the amount of $150.00 made payable to North High School.
GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

**gb #2-210** - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria/ Ms. Novick  
(July 5, 2012)

To set a date to recognize Rosemarie Franchi, with gratitude and appreciation, for her years of dedication and service to the Worcester Public Schools as Director of the Head Start Program.

**gb #2-211** - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell  
(July 5, 2012)

Request that the Administration review the Worcester Public Schools' Absentee Policy for the elementary schools.

**gb #2-212** - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria  
(July 5, 2012)

Request that the Administration review this year's summer programs and provide a report to include the number of students enrolled and the attendance percentage for each school.

**gb #2-213** - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Novick/ Miss Biancheria  
(July 5, 2012)

To set a date to recognize the South High Community School's Marching Band which was selected by Governor Deval Patrick to represent the state of Massachusetts in the National Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C.

**gb #2-214** - Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell  
(July 5, 2012)

Request that the Administration invite the City Auditor to discuss the Actuarial Valuation and Review for the Worcester Retirement System, as of January 1, 2012.

**gb #2-215** - Ms. Novick/Mr. O'Connell  
(July 5, 2012)

Request that the Administration support the resolution of the Framingham School Committee, calling for a special commission of the legislature to study mandated reports and data submissions.
## GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

### gb #2-216 - Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell  
(July 9, 2012)

Request that the Administration provide a report regarding the College Community Connection and Building Brighter Futures programs to include the sites, a sample of the internships offered and the number of students per school that participated.

### gb #2-217 - Miss Biancheria/Ms. Novick/Mr. Monfredo/  
Mr. O'Connell  
(July 9, 2012)

Request that the Administration review the policy for participation in the Crew team and provide a report regarding all costs for student participation in this sport.

### gb #2-218 - Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell  
(July 9, 2012)

Request that the Administration review the application process and timeframes for registration of pre-k students.

### gb #2-219 - Administration  
(July 10, 2012)

To appoint Marjorie Wetzel as the Interim Manager of Special Education and Intervention Services.

### gb #2-220 - Administration  
(July 10, 2012)

To approve the process for the selection of the Manager of Special Education and Intervention Services.

### gb #2-221 - Administration  
(July 10, 2012)

To consider the first report of the Mayor's Ad Hoc Committee on the Establishment of an Exam School and/or an International Baccalaureate Program.
GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

gb #2-222 - Administration
(July 11, 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