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CLERK OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
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AGENDA #29

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

on: Thursday, November 17, 2022  
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**

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 – Educational Association of Worcester, Therapy Assistants Unit.

**B. Call to Order**

**C. Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem**

**D. Roll Call**

**E. Consent Agenda**

- i. Approval of Minutes

AOR 2-30 – Clerk  
(November 9, 2022)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, November 10, 2022.

- ii. Approval of Donations
- iii. Notification of Personnel Records
- iv. Initial filing of individual recognitions

**Recommendation of Administration**

- v. Notices of interest to the district or to the public

**F. Items for Reconsideration**

**G. Held Items**

**H. Recognitions**

**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 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 Petitions**

**K. Report of the Superintendent**

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**Recommendation Administration**

**L. Reports on the Standing Committee**

**M. Student Advisory Committee Item**

**N. Approval of Grants and other Finance Items**

gb 2-290 Administration  
(November 9, 2022)

To consider approval of the \$22,000 Youth Reach Returning Grant from the Mass Cultural Council (FY23 – yr – 17726).

**Recommendation Administration**

**Approve on a roll call**

gb 2-291 Administration  
(November 9, 2022)

To consider approval of the \$35,000.00 Parent Child and Support Grant from the Popplestone Foundation.

**Recommendation Administration**

**Approve on a roll call**

**O. General Business**

gb 2-18.17 - Administration/Novick/Clancey/Johnson/Kamara/Mailman  
(October 24, 2022)

Response of the Administration to the request to update the community on the Worcester Public Schools and COVID.

**Recommendation of Administration**

**Provide an update and hold for the next meeting.**

gb 2- 292 Johnson  
(November 9, 2022)

To explore the feasibility of extending lunch time in secondary schools at by least ten (10) minutes.

**Recommendation of Administration**

**Refer to the Standing Committee on Teaching and Learning**

gb 2-293 Clancey  
(November 9, 2022)

Request that the Administration work with the City Clerk's office to find alternate polling locations that are not within the Worcester's public school buildings.

**Recommendation of Administration**

**Refer to the Administration**

gb 2-294 Novick  
(November 15, 2022)

To adopt policy language governing district engagement with the Worcester Police Department.

**Recommendation of Administration**

Refer to the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues.

gb 2-295 Clancey  
(November 9, 2022)

Request that the Administration review the current policy regarding service and support animals in school and make changes if necessary.

**Recommendation of Administration**

**Refer to the Administration**

**P. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Q. ADJOURNMENT**

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Committee