

MEETING OF THE NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 13, 2022 ♦ 6:45PM – 9:30PM

Online Zoom Meeting

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's [Emergency Order](#) Modifying the State's Open Meeting Law issued March 12, 2020, the January 13, 2022 meeting of the Northampton School Committee will be held using remote participation.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY DURING THE ZOOM MEETING FOR THE JANUARY 13, 2022 SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING. WRITTEN TESTIMONY IS ALSO ENCOURAGED FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND THE VIRTUAL MEETING.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY/COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CLERK AT: anniethompson@northampton-k12.us UNTIL 5 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022 TO BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THAT MEETING.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCING WEBSITE:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84294401500>

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THEN YOU WILL BE PROMPTED TO ENTER A PARTICIPANT NUMBER IF YOU DO

NOT HAVE A PARTICIPANT NUMBER, ENTER #

PLEASE WAIT TO BE RECOGNIZED BY THE CHAIR

THE CHAIR WILL RECOGNIZE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ORDER OF THEIR CALL

Agenda

6:45 I. Roll Call

6:50 II. Public Comment Period

7:05 III. Announcements

7:10 IV. Recommended Actions – (VOTE by Consent Agenda)

A. Approval of minutes:

- School Committee Meeting September 9, 2021
- School Committee Meeting, September 23, 2021
- School Committee Meeting, October 14, 2021
- School Committee Meeting, October 28, 2021
- School Committee Meeting, November 9, 2021
- School Committee Meeting, December 9, 2021

B. Acceptance of Donations:

- Smith College to NPS: \$23,000.00 (Macs, PCs, laptops & cameras)
- NHS Class of 2015: \$2,781.83 to help re-build the Black Box Theater at NHS

C. Budget Transfers:

- Budget Transfer: \$25,000.00 to SPED Evaluations at NHS

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The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra	Member Gwen Agna	Member Aline Davis	Member Meg Robbins
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A. Rules & Policy

B. Budget & Property

C. Superintendent Evaluation

D. Business Administrator Report

Nick Bernier

E. Personnel Report

Nick Bernier

F. Superintendent's Report

John Provost

7:50 VII. New Business

A. Student Representative Report

Lila Niels-Duffy

B. VOTE: Rules of Procedure

Gina-Louise Sciarra

C. VOTE: to elect vice chair

Gina-Louise Sciarra

D. VOTE: School Committee Calendar of Meetings 2022

Gina-Louise Sciarra

E. VOTE: To approve School Committee Norms

Gina-Louise Sciarra

F. VOTE: to approve Quarantine MOA

Emily Serafy-Cox

G. VOTE: to grant a right of access (approximately 11 square feet) for sidewalk Improvement at Bridge Street as part of Safe Roads to School.

John Provost

H. Report on bullying

John Provost

I. Discussion and possible VOTE: to create a district-run childcare program or invite the YMCA to expand their childcare program to Leeds

John Provost

J. VOTE: to return to in-person meetings or remain remote

Gina-Louise Sciarra

K. VOTE: to form a curriculum subcommittee

Meg Robbins

L. Discussion and possible VOTE: to reconsider the role of the school Committee in health related decisions

Mike Stein

M. VOTE: Update the Digital Literacy & Computer Science Coordinator job description

John Provost

9:00 VIII. School Committee discussion topics

9:05 IX. Future Business and Meeting Dates (all meetings will be held via Zoom conferencing until further notice):

- Joint City Council / School Committee Budget Meeting/ Tuesday, February 1/ 7:00PM
- Student Advisory Committee / Thursday, February 10 / 6:15PM
- School Committee Meeting / Thursday, February 10/ 6:45PM

9:10 X. Executive Session: Request to Enter Executive Session under Massachusetts General Law Open Meeting Chapter 30A Sec 21(a)(3) 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 public body and the chair so declares.

9:30 XI. Adjourn

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