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DOCKET
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024
6:00 PM – 9:25 PM

**Attend in Person: Walsh School Committee Meeting Room, 5th Floor, Town Hall
333 Washington Street, Brookline, MA**

**Watch Remotely: Brookline Interactive Group (BIG) will broadcast live out to the cable channels
and online via live stream at www.brooklineinteractive.org/live**

**BIG's cable channels will replay the meeting and the meeting recording will be posted at
<http://www.brooklineinteractive.org> for viewing after the meeting.**

STATUTORY NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK.

Meeting Documents will be available on the PSB Website:
<https://www.brookline.k12.ma.us/Page/2087>

NOTE: All times are approximate.

6:00 PM (5 minutes)

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

(David Pearlman)

a. Consent Agenda

- i. Past Records: December 14, 2023
- ii. Acceptance of Gifts
- iii. Acceptance of Grants

6:05 PM (15 minutes)

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

(Linus Guillory)

a. Spotlight on Excellence

6:20 PM (15 minutes)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may provide public comment either in person or remotely. If you would like to provide public comment, please ***email school_committee@psbma.org by 12:00 PM on Thursday, January 4, 2024.*** After signing up, speakers will receive an email with additional information on how to provide comment during the meeting. Speakers will be called on in the order in which they signed up. ***All speakers will be limited to 3 minutes per person.*** Members of the public may send written public comment to school_committee@psbma.org. Written comments will be shared with all School Committee members. Public comment is broadcast and recorded by Brookline Interactive Group.

6:35 PM (2 hours)

4. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS OF CURRENT ISSUES

6:35 PM (1 hour)

a. Presentation: Steps to Success Program (Sophya Williams-Louis and Nia Jacobs)

7:35 PM (15 minutes)

b. Presentation and Possible Vote on Brookline High School Course Catalog Changes for 2023-2024 (Jen Martin and Gabe McCormick)

8:05 PM (45 minutes)

c. Report on Early Literacy Assessments (Michelle Herman and Kristin Gray)

8:35 PM (30 minutes)

5. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

- a. Capital Improvements (Helen Charlupski)
- b. Curriculum (Suzanne Federspiel)
- c. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice (Valerie Frias)
- d. Finance (Mariah Nobrega)
 - i. Accounts Payable Warrants
- e. Government Relations (Valerie Frias)
- f. Negotiations (Andy Liu)
- g. Policy (David Pearlman)
- h. Additional Liaisons and Updates

9:05 PM (5 minutes)

6. NEW BUSINESS

9:10 PM (15 minutes)

7. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to meet in Executive Session, pursuant to Massachusetts General laws chapter 30A section 21(a) for the following purposes: Purpose 3, to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Brookline Educators Union (BEU) Unit A and Paraprofessional Unit, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; and Purpose 7, to review and approve executive session minutes from the following meeting: October 26, 2023.

9:25 PM

8. ADJOURNMENT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CALENDAR:

January 8	Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
January 16	Curriculum Subcommittee	School Committee Room, Town Hall & Remote via Zoom	4:00 PM
January 17	Finance Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
January 18	School Committee Meeting	School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream	6:00 PM
January 19	Sustainability Task Force	Remote via Zoom	4:00 PM
January 22	Policy Review Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
January 23	Capital Improvements Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	4:00 PM
February 1	School Committee Meeting	School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream	6:00 PM
February 5	Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
February 7	Finance Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
February 8	School Committee Meeting	School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream	6:00 PM
February 12	Meeting with Legislators	School Committee Room	4:00 PM

**Schedule subject to change. Please consult the [School Committee's public meeting calendar](#), or contact betsy.fitzpatrick@psbma.org (617-730-2430) with any questions.*

PSB AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Kindergarten Registration Drop-in Support Sessions:

Monday, January 8	8:00am to 12:00pm	Town Hall, 5 th Floor, School Committee Room
Wednesday, January 10	4:00pm to 7:00pm	Town Hall, 5 th Floor, School Committee Room
Thursday, January 11	3:00pm to 5:30pm	Putterham Branch Library

More information: <https://www.brookline.k12.ma.us/Page/2172>