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DOCKET
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023
6:00 PM – 9:45 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

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<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. Approval of Gifts
- ii. Driscoll School Project: Gilbane Building Company Change Order No. 32, \$32,075.00
- iii. Driscoll School Project: Jonathan Levi Architects, Contract Amendment No. 25, \$3,520.00
- iv. Pierce School Project: Consigil Construction, Contract Amendment No. 3, \$29,842.54

6:05 PM (15 minutes)

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

(Linus Guillory)

- a. Spotlight on Excellence: BEF Sperber Award Honoree Dan Bresman

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, October 26, 2023.*** 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 2 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 (20 minutes)

4. SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES: PUBLIC HEARING FOR ARTICLE 17 AND DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON ARTICLES 10 AND 17

Public Hearing on Article 17: Resolution regarding fluorinated hydrocarbons otherwise known as “PFAS” (Jonas, TMM16, for the Moderator’s Committee on PFAS)

Members of the public may provide public comment on Article 17, 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, October 26, 2023*. 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. *Speakers, not including Warrant Article petitioners, will be limited to 2 minutes per person*. Members of the public may send written public comment to school_committee@psbma.org

Discussion and Possible Vote on Articles 10 and 17:

Articles/Explanations can be [found here](#).

Article 10. Transfer of unexpended bond proceeds and rescissions (Select Board).

Article 17. Resolution regarding fluorinated hydrocarbons otherwise known as “PFAS” (Jonas, TMM16, for the Moderator’s Committee on PFAS)

6:55 PM (1 hour and 45 minutes)

5. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF CURRENT ISSUES

6:55pm (45 minutes)

a. Youth Risk Behavior Survey Data Trends and Themes (Matt DuBois)

7:40pm (1 hour)

b. Budget Updates

- i. FY 2023 Budget Report (June 30, 2023) (Susan Givens and Mariah Nobrega)
- ii. FY 2024 1st Quarter Financial Report (Mariah Nobrega)
- iii. FY 2025 Budget Development Calendar (2nd Reading/Possible Vote)
- iv. Discussion of Class Size Guidelines (Linus Guillory)

8:40 PM (15 minutes)

6. SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTIONS

a. Discussion and Possible Vote on Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) Proposed Resolutions (Valerie Frias)

8:55 PM (30 minutes)

7. 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 (Valerie Frias)
- e. Government Relations (Valerie Frias)
- f. Negotiations (Andy Liu)
- g. Policy (David Pearlman)
- h. Additional Liaisons and Updates

9:25 PM (5 minutes)

8. NEW BUSINESS

9:30 PM (15 minutes)

9. 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 Unit A and Paraprofessional Unit, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigating position of the Committee and the chair so declares; and Purpose 7, to review and approve executive session minutes from the following meeting: August 3, 2023.

9:45 PM

10. ADJOURNMENT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CALENDAR

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| November 6 | Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice Subcommittee | Remote via Zoom | 5:00 PM |
| November 7 | Finance Subcommittee | Remote via Zoom | 5:00 PM |
| November 13 | School Committee Meeting | School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream | 6:00 PM |
| November 20 | Policy Review Subcommittee | Remote via Zoom | 5:00 PM |
| November 28 | Curriculum Subcommittee | School Committee Room, Town Hall & Remote via Zoom | 4:00 PM |
| November 30 | School Committee Meeting | School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream | 6:00 PM |
| December 5 | Capital Improvements Subcommittee | Remote via Zoom | 4:00 PM |
| December 11 | School Committee Meeting | School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream | 6:00 PM |
| December 18 | Policy Review Subcommittee | Remote via Zoom | 5:00 PM |
| December 19 | Curriculum Subcommittee | School Committee Room, Town Hall & Remote via Zoom | 4:00 PM |
| December 20 | Finance Subcommittee | Remote via Zoom | 5:00 PM |
| December 21 | School Committee Meeting | School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream | 6:00 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 DATES OF INTEREST

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| October 30 | Driscoll School Parade, 8:30am (first day in the new building!) |
| November 3 | Professional Development Day (no school for students; teachers and paras report) |
| November 10 | School Closed: Veterans Day (observed) |
| November 23-24 | School Closed: Thanksgiving Break |