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DOCKET
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024
6:00 PM – 9:10 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: January 18, 2024 School Committee Meeting Minutes
 - b. Approval of First Amendment to the Project Funding Agreement between the Massachusetts School Building Authority and the Town of Brookline for the Pierce School Project (supplemental grant in the amount of \$7,563,948.00)

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, February 8, 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 (1 hour and 45 minutes)

4. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS OF CURRENT ISSUES

6:35 PM (45 minutes)

- a. Discussion and Possible Vote on the Superintendent's FY 2025 Initial Budget Request** (Linus Guillory)

7:20 PM (1 hour)

- b. Presentation and Discussion: 8th to 9th Grade Transition Study Committee, New Guidance for 9th Grade Course Recommendations** (Jodi Fortuna)

8:20 PM (15 minutes)

5. SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTIONS

- a. Proposed Revision of the PSB Substance Use Prevention and Education Policy (I 3 e), 4th Reading and Possible Vote** (David Pearlman)

8:35 PM (15 minutes)

6. 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

8:50 PM (5 minutes)

7. NEW BUSINESS

8:55 PM (15 minutes)

8. 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: February 1, 2024.

9:10 PM

9. ADJOURNMENT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS*

February 12	Meeting with Legislators	School Committee Room	4:00 PM
February 27	Curriculum Subcommittee	School Committee Room and Remote via Zoom	4:00 PM
February 28	Finance Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
February 29	School Committee Meeting	School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream	6:00 PM
March 6	Capital Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	9:00 AM
March 6	Finance Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
March 7	School Committee Meeting	School Committee Room, Town Hall & BIG Broadcast/Live Stream	6:00 PM
March 11	Policy Review Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
March 19	Curriculum Subcommittee	School Committee Room and Remote via Zoom	4:00 PM
March 20	Finance Subcommittee	Remote via Zoom	5:00 PM
March 28	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_fitpatrick@psbma.org (617-730-2430) with any questions.*