

HOPKINTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 5, 2011

Regular Meeting 7:00

Middle School Library

AGENDA

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. **Recognitions/Presentations:** 7:00 – Mary Ann DeMello, BRG – Survey Work, HHS 2012 Varsity Girls Lacrosse State Champions, HEF Gala, and Charles B & Louis R. Perini Family Foundation,

III. **Public Comments:** 7:10

IV. Reports to the School Committee

- A. 7:15 – 7:20: Student Council Report
- B. 7:20 – 7:25: School Committee Update – Mrs. Bertschmann
 - Community Survey Results
 - Joint Meeting with Board of Selectmen
 - Review Survey Results and Methodology
 - Update Regarding HESBC
 - Vote on Statement(s) of Interest
 - MSBA Letter
- C. 7:25 – 7:30: Superintendent's Update – Dr. Landman
 - Updates: Center School Floor and High School Roof
 - Revised Budget Calendar
 - Promotion of Participation in 1:1 Survey
 - HCAM Links: What's there for you to view
- D. 7:30 – 7:35: Director of Finance Report- Mr. Dumas
 - Capital Expense Update
- E. 7:35 – 7:45: New Web Site Unveiling – Mrs. Dooley

VI. New Business

- A. 7:45 – 7:50: Review Draft Town Meeting Articles – Mr. Dumas

VII. Old Business

- A. 7:50 – 8:00: PBC Update – Dr. Landman, Mr. Dumas, and Mr. Aghababian
 - Progress Report regarding Habeeb, Gale, and Bayside Studies

VIII. Items by Consensus: 8:00

- A. The Superintendent recommends that the School Committee vote to approve the warrant(s).
- B. The Superintendent recommends the School Committee vote to accept a gift of \$4,000 from Charles B & Louis R. Perini Family Foundation, on behalf of the York Family, to be placed in the Elmwood School Gift Account for the purpose as indicated in the agenda materials.
- C. The Superintendent recommends the School Committee vote to accept a gift of \$4,000 from Charles B & Louis R. Perini Family Foundation, on behalf of the York Family, to be placed in the Hopkins School Gift Account for the purpose as indicated in the agenda materials.

IX. Working Session: 8:05

- A. Center School Budget
- B. Elmwood School Budget
- C. Hopkins School Budget
- D. Fees and Initiatives
 - Daycare Drop-off Fee
 - Full-day Kindergarten Fee
 - Bus Fee
 - Athletics Fees
 - Parking Fees
 - F-1 Visa Tuition
 - Walking Zone Proposal

X. Executive Session:

XI. Adjournment

XII. Next Meetings

Thursday, January 12, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
Thursday, January 19, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
Monday, January 23, 2012 @ 6:30 PM
Thursday, January 26, 2012 @ 7:00 PM

Middle School Library – Working Session/Budget
Middle School Library – Regular Meeting/WS - Budget
Middle School Library – Joint w/BOS
Middle School Library – Working Session

Guidelines for the Public

“All meetings of the School Committee, except Executive Sessions, shall be open to the Public”.

School Committee Operational Goals

The School Committee is responsible to the people for whose benefit the school system has been established. The Committee's current decisions will influence the course of education in our schools for years to come. The Committee and each of its members must look to the future and to the needs of all people more than the average citizen finds necessary. This requires a comprehensive perspective and long-range planning in addition to attention to immediate problems.

The School Committee's primary responsibility is to establish those purposes, programs, and procedures that will best produce the educational achievement needed by our students. The Committee is charged with accomplishing this while also being responsible for wise management of resources available to the school system. The Committee must fulfill these responsibilities by functioning primarily as a legislative body to formulate and adopt policy, by selecting an executive officer to implement policy, and by evaluating the results.

Massachusetts General Laws govern much of the operations and procedures of the school committee. The policies and guidelines contained herein offer greater guidance for the Hopkinton School Committee. (*Policy BA*)

Availability of Meeting Materials

Copies of the agenda and any materials that are considered public information may be obtained through the Superintendent's office at a fair and reasonable cost per page. Citizens wishing to obtain an agenda prior to the scheduled meeting should do so before the close of business on the day of the meeting. (*Policy BE*)

For the public's convenience, agendas for regular meetings are generally posted on the school district's website before the date of the meeting. Key presentations are generally posted after the meeting and minutes are posted within a reasonable time frame after the school committee votes to approve them. The district website is www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us.

Public Comment

The School Committee welcomes citizens of the District to attend its meetings so that they may become better acquainted with the operations and programs of our local public schools.

If citizens would like to comment to the School Committee, they may do so by mail, email or phone at any time. Contact information is available through the Superintendent's Office.

In order for all citizens to have a chance to be heard and to ensure the ability of the Committee to conduct the district's business in an orderly manner, the committee will follow the rules as established in its policy BEDH, titled "Public Participation At Committee Meetings."

The Committee will welcome comments from the public at regular meetings on both agenda and non-agenda items during a public comment period specifically set on the agenda. (*Policy BEDH*)