

GATEWAY REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Gateway Regional School District will provide an exemplary education that challenges all students in an instructional setting appropriate to their needs.

All visitors attending the school committee meeting should sign in at the security booth.

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, September 13, 2023
Middle School Room 112/114**

7:00 P.M.

7:00 PM I. OPENING OF MEETING & QUESTION TO SEE IF ANYONE IS RECORDING

Call to order: Kristen Smidy, Superintendent

BLANDFORD

Nicole Daviau
Keri Morawiec

CHESTER

Jeana Briggs
Brian Forgue
Jason Forgue

HUNTINGTON

Pegg Dragon
Lisa Goding
Edward Renauld

MIDDLEFIELD

Alex Seid
Tasha Strong

MONTGOMERY

RUSSELL

Tara Balboni
Sarah Page
Lyndsey Papillon

SECRETARY

Stacy Stewart

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

Kristen Smidy, Superintendent
Stephanie Fisk, Assistant Superintendent

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Jason Finnie, Middle/High Principal
Kurt Garivaltis, Pupil Services Director
Deanna LeBlanc, Curriculum Director
Vanna Maffuccio, Chester Principal
Melissa McCaul, Littleville Interim Principal
Chris Parker, Technology Director
William Sullivan, Middle/High Asst. Principal
Chris Tamburrino, Asst. Pupil Services Dir.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Joseph Pisani

OTHERS: _____

7:05 PM II. REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

A. Chairperson

Nominated _____

(VOTE) YEAS____ NAYS____ ABSTAIN____

Once a chair is nominated and approved, the meeting will be run by the chair.

B. Vice-Chairperson

Nominated _____

(VOTE) YEAS____ NAYS____ ABSTAIN____

C. Appointments

- Sick Bank Committee (2 members)
- Negotiations Committee
- Superintendent's Evaluation
- Policy Committee
- Warrant Signing Committee
- Collaborative for Educational Services (CES) Representative
- Gateway Education Foundation
- Liaisons
 1. Chester Elementary
 2. Littleville Elementary
 3. Middle School
 4. High School
 5. Curriculum
 6. Pupil Services
 7. Facilities

7:15 PM III. PUBLIC INPUT

Guests attending the meeting may address the committee on topics not on the agenda. (There is a three minute time limit per guest)

7:20 PM IV. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/RECOGNITIONS

7:25 PM V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approve/Confirm Superintendent's Contract
- B. School Physician Contract Approval

7:30 PM VI. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEM

- A. Discussion to include of Pledge of Allegiance at meetings
- B. Discussion of moving school committee meeting start time
- C. Discussion regarding State Rural School Aid/Rural Schools Bill
- D. Acknowledge updated district bullying forms
- E. Acknowledge Intent to Bargain from GEA

7:45 PM VII. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. 6/14/2023 Minutes (Enc.)
- B. Acceptance of Grants/Donations (Enc.)
 - a. Information share about the Barr Foundation Grant

7:50 PM VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

7:55 PM IX. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. School Committee

- B. Chairperson -
- C. Superintendent - Central Office Update (Enc.)
- D. Assistant Superintendent
- E. Administration (Enc.)
- F. Town Officials

8:00 PM X. COMMITTEE REPORTING (Enc.)

- A. Superintendent's Evaluation
- B. Legislative Liaison
- C. Negotiations
- D. Building Liaisons
- E. CES Update
- F. Policy

8:15 PM XI. OTHER BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

8:20 PM XII. INFORMATION

The warrant signing committee had reviewed the following warrants, found them to be in order, and approved them.

AP#1095	\$213,423.18	PR #001	\$108,866.21
AP#1100	\$126,462.91	PR #002	\$205,496.12
AP#1102	\$72,944.98	PR #003	\$199,087.58
AP#1103	\$41.49	PR #004	\$161,133.09
AP#1001	\$803,077.00	PR #005	\$486,379.81
AP#1000	\$93,502.85		
AP#1003	\$158,359.13		
AP#1105	\$29,506.19		
AP#1005	\$243,000.05		
AP#1011	\$90,367.94		
AP#1015	\$88,066.03		
AP#1019	\$9,180.03		
AP\$1017	\$105,889.23		

8:25 PM XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Paraprofessional Association

8:45 PM XIV. RETURN TO GENERAL SESSION

- A. Ratification Vote on Unit D contract

8:50PM XV. ADJOURNMENT by 9 p.m. unless extended by majority vote.