

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, April 10, 2024

Middle School Room 112/114

7:00 P.M.

7:00 PM I. OPENING OF MEETING

Call to order: Sarah Page, Chairperson

BLANDFORD

Nicole Daviau
Keri Morawiec

CHESTER

Jeanne Briggs
Brian Forgue
Jason Forgue

HUNTINGTON

Pegg Dragon
Lisa Goding

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

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

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Joseph Pisani

OTHERS: _____

7:02 PM II. 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)

7:10 PM III. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/RECOGNITIONS

7:11 PM IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

A. School Based Health Center Update and Discussion

7:15 PM V. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEM

- A. Approval of Policies (Enc.'s)
 - EFD - School Nutrition Program Charge Policy
 - EFC - Universal Free School Meals
 - IKB - Homework Policy
 - All policies listed in the [MASC Policy Newsletter from August/September 2023](#)
- B. Approval of Last Day of School as June 14, 2024
- C. Recommendation to Participate in the National School Lunch Program for the FY '25 School Year
- D. Recommendation to Participate in School Choice for the FY '25 School Year
- E. Approval of Student Activities Accounts for the FY '25 School Year
- F. Superintendent requests authorization for the District Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 71, Section 16 (9), and with the approval of the Chairperson of the Gateway Regional Regional School Committee, to incur temporary debt, (borrow from time to time) in anticipation of revenue to be received from and source for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024. This is for short term borrowing in case assessments are not received on time, etc.
- G. Approval of Alternative Student Representative to the School Committee

7:35 PM VI. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. 3/13/2024 Minutes (Enc.)
- B. Acceptance of Grants/Donations (Enc.)

7:38 PM VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

7:43 PM VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. School Committee
- B. Chairperson - Retirement/Recognition Ceremony (June)
- C. Superintendent - Central Office Update (Enc.)
- D. Assistant Superintendent
- E. Administration (Enc.)
- F. Town Officials

7:50 PM IX. COMMITTEE REPORTING (Enc.)

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

7:55 PM X. OTHER BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

7:58 PM XI. INFORMATION

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

AP #1074 \$292,366.88

PR #019 \$434,000.80

AP #1079 \$81.21

PR #020 \$428,224.89

AP #1076 \$155,517.50

8:00 PM XII. 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 Food Services & GEA if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares.

8:30 PM XIII. ADJOURNMENT by 9 p.m. unless extended by majority vote.