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The Sixteenth Regular Meeting of the Medford School Committee

October 21, 2024

Regular Meeting: 5:15-6:30 PM

Please be advised that there will be a Meeting of the Medford School Committee held at the Howard Alden Memorial Chambers, Medford City Hall, and via remote participation. **This meeting is being recorded.**

The meeting can be viewed live on the Medford Public Schools [YouTube channel](#) through Medford Community Media on your local cable channel (Comcast Channel 9, 8, or 22 and Verizon Channel 43, 45, or 47). Participants can log in or call in by using the following:

Medford Public Schools invites you to a meeting with a remote participation option.		
Virtual Link	Zoom Link	
Meeting ID	959 8246 8413	
Dial by Location	https://mps02155-org.zoom.us/j/95982468413	

Agenda

- I. Roll Call for Attendance of Members and Student Representatives
- II. Salute the Flag
- III. Consent Agenda
 - Approval of Bills and Payrolls
 - Approval of Capital Purchases
 - Approval of Grants
 - Approval of Field Trips
 - Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - Regular Meeting, October 7, 2024
 - Strategic and Capital Planning, October 15, 2024
- IV. Report of Subcommittees
 - A. **Strategic and Capital Planning Update** - Member Graham, Chair
- V. Report of the Superintendent

1. **Superintendent's Updates and Comments** - Dr. Marice Edouard-Vincent, Superintendent
2. **Report on Water Testing** - Dr. Marice Edouard-Vincent, Superintendent and Dr. Peter J. Cushing, Assistant Superintendent of Enrichment, Innovation and Operations and Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Representatives: Alex Smith-Lin, Project Manager (UMASS Amherst); Hannah Parzen, Project Manager (UMASS Amherst); Yvette Depeiza, Program Director, and Jessica Sibirski, Environmental Analyst, Marian Berkowitz Technical Assistance Provider (UMASS Amherst), and Kate Gallagher, Technical Assistance Provider (UMASS Amherst)
3. **Report on District Wide Busing** - Dr. Peter J. Cushing, Assistant Superintendent of Enrichment, Innovation and Operations, Ms. Megan Fidler Carey, Director of Family and Community Engagement and Mr. Chuck Winitzer, Owner of Eastern Bus Company, and Ms. Jessica Guadalupe, Eastern Bus Medford Manager

Presentations of the Public (not to begin before 7:00 pm)

“Regular Meetings of the School Committee include this ‘Presentations of the Public’ agenda item to give any resident the opportunity to place a presentation before the School Committee. A resident may only present once at any meeting.

These presentations are an opportunity for the public to make a presentation to the Committee but are not opportunities for dialog with the Committee. If one or more members of the Committee wishes to have a conversation about the topic presented, a member may request that the item be added to a subsequent Regular Meeting.

The details for submitting a presentation can be found within the policy BEDH, Public Comment and Presentations of the Public”

Pursuant to policy BEDH, Public Comment and Presentations of the Public - any resident in the audience may be given permission to speak once on any item on the agenda for up to three (3) minutes. The speaker is expected to keep their comments to the item on the agenda. The speaker must begin their comments by providing their full name and full Medford street address where they reside. A welcoming, inclusive community is both a value of the School Committee and an aspirational goal. We ask for your help in achieving this goal and value your perspective. Employees of the Medford Public Schools are exempt from the residency requirement of this policy. The voice of our employees is welcomed on all matters before this body. When a non-Medford-resident employee is participating in public comment or submitting a presentation of the public they will include their home address and identify themselves as an employee of the Medford Public Schools.

VI. Continued Business

2024-34 Offered by Member Ruseau

Second reading of Policy ADC - Tobacco Products on School Premises Prohibited

Tobacco Use on School Property by Staff Members Prohibited

Use of any tobacco products, including, but not limited to: cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco and snuff and electronic cigarettes, electronic cigars, electronic pipes or other similar products that rely on vaporization or aerosolization, within the school buildings, school facilities, on school grounds or school buses, or at school-sponsored events by any individual, including school personnel, is prohibited at all times.

Staff members who violate this policy will be referred to their immediate supervisor.

Policy Information

First Adopted: Unknown

Last Amended: TBD

Last Reviewed: TBD

Review Frequency: five (5) years

Next Review: TBD

Version: 2

Policy ID: GBED

Original Source: MASC - 2022

Legal References:

M.G.L. [71:37H](#)

Cross References:

[ADC](#), Tobacco Products on School Premises Prohibited

[JICH](#), Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use by Students Prohibited

Date Submitted: September 18, 2023 / First Reading Approved, September 23, 2024

Date Requested to be on the Agenda: October 21, 2024

2024-36 Offered by Member Ruseau

Second reading of Policy GBED - Tobacco Use on School Property by Staff Members Prohibited

Use of any tobacco products, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff, electronic cigarettes, electronic cigars, electronic pipes, nicotine pouches or other similar products that rely on vaporization or aerosolization within the school buildings, school facilities, on school grounds or school buses, or at school-sponsored events by any individual, including school personnel and students, is prohibited at all times.

The use of prescription nicotine cessation products are excluded from this policy.

A staff member determined to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action.

A student determined to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the student discipline code.

This policy shall be promulgated to all staff and students in the appropriate handbook(s) and publications.

Signs shall be posted in all school buildings informing the general public of the District policy and requirements of state law.

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Legal References:

M.G.L. [71:37H](#)

M.G.L. [270:6](#)

Cross References:

[GBED](#), Tobacco Products on School Premises Prohibited

[JICH](#), Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use by Students Prohibited

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VII. New Business

VIII. Reports Requested

IX. Condolences

The Members of the Medford School Committee express their sincerest condolences to the family of **Edward C. Ogonosky**, father of Missituk educator Stephanie Ogonosky and retired Medford firefighter.

X. Next Regular Meeting

November 4, 2024 to be held by remote participation only to accommodate the election process.

XI. Adjournment