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The Seventeenth Regular Meeting of the Medford School Committee

Meeting Minutes - REMOTE ONLY
Monday, November 17, 2025
6:00 pm

I. Roll Call for Attendance of Members and Student Representatives

Attendance 6:02 PM- 7/0
Branley - present
Graham - present
Intoppa - present
Olapade - present
Reinfeld - present (6:03PM)
Ruseau - present
Mayor - present
Student Representative Jayden Giang - present

II. Salute the Flag
III. Consent Agenda
- Approval of Bills and Payrolls
- Approval of Capital Purchases
- Approval of Donations
  - Medford Educational Foundation Grants- $13,251.18
- Approval of Grants
- Approval of Field Trips
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - Regular Meeting - October 20, 2025

Motion to approve the consent agenda Member Reinfeld, second by Member Intoppa- Approved 7/0

Branley() - yes
Graham() - yes
Intoppa(2) - yes
Olapade() - yes
Reinfeld(1) - yes
Ruseau() - yes

Mayor - yes

IV. Report of Subcommittees

V. Report of the Superintendent

1. **Mustang Moment**

Motion to take item VI out of order by Member Ruseau, second by Member Olapade-7/0
Branley() - yes
Graham() - yes
Intoppa() - yes
Olapade(2) - yes
Reinfeld() - yes
Ruseau(1) - yes
Mayor - yes

2. **CTE Grants Update -** Mr. Chad Fallon, Executive Director of CTE

3. **HMFH School Use Repor**t - Dr. Suzanne B. Galusi, Interim Superintendent

Motion to table the recommendation to adopt option 2, which would move all elementary schools to PK-4, change our McGlynn Middle to 5-6, and change our Andrews Middle to 7-8 upon validation of the feasibility of the decision by the to be formed Middle School Transition Task Force until our December 1st meeting. This change would take effect in the 27/28 school year (at the earliest). Further, to request that the administration invite the public to attend the 12/1 meeting to provide input on the scope of questions and considerations to be addressed by the Task Force.- Motion passes- 7/0

Branley() - yes
Graham(1) - yes
Intoppa() - yes
Olapade() - yes
Reinfeld() - yes
Ruseau(1) - yes
Mayor - yes

Presentation on the School Use Report given, V. 3.
Josh Terrill, 86 Newbern Ave, Medford, MA, spoke in favor of using some of the new space at the elementary schools for expanded pre-K.

VI. Presentations of the Student Advisory Council

A. High School Transportation

Motion to revert to the regular order of business by Member Olapade second by Member Branley- 7/0

Branley(2) - yes
Graham() - yes
Intoppa() - yes
Olapade(1) - yes
Reinfeld() - yes
Ruseau() - yes
Mayor-() -yes

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.

IX. Continued Business

X. New Business

2025-36 ***Offered by Member Intoppa***

Whereas navigating and obtaining a 504 plan may be complex for families and friends of students navigating accommodations for the first time and,

Be it resolved that the administration, health services, and student services departments will look into drafting a notice sent to families and caregivers on a yearly basis about 504 plans. Content may include, but not limited to, guidance on how to navigate how to apply, any needed documentation, what a 504 is, and who qualifies.

Date Submitted October 20, 2025
Date Requested to be on Agenda November 3, 2025

Motion to approve 2025-36 by Member Ruseau second by Member Branley-7/0 Motion passes
Branley(2) - yes
Graham() - yes
Intoppa() - yes
Olapade() - yes
Reinfeld() - yes
Ruseau(1) - yes
Mayor - yes

2025-37 ***Offered by Member Intoppa***

Be it resolved that the Medford Public Schools will work alongside our Registrar of Voters to best identify how we can improve engaging our student population in the following, but not limited to, areas:

Pre/Registering to vote

Absentee/Mail in Ballots if traveling, currently stationed elsewhere than MA, or at a higher education institution

Identify roadblocks and barriers outside the norm of registering (i.e. how to address a letter, etc).

Action items will be created to then send to an adhoc committee created by the Superintendent of key stakeholders to best identify ways to strengthen our voter education plans across the district.

Date Submitted October 26, 2025
Date Requested to be on Agenda November 3, 2025

Motion to approve 2025-37 as amended by Member Intoppa second by Member Branley-7/0 Motion passes

Branley(2) - yes
Graham() - yes
Intoppa(1) - yes
Olapade() - yes
Reinfeld() - yes
Ruseau() - yes
Mayor - yes

Notes on Amendments by Member Graham: Get Student Advisory Council involvement to explore solutions with Elections Manager to track and improve voting statistics along with School Counselors and Partnership with Matisse Monty

XI. Reports Requested

XII. Condolences

The Members of the Medford School Committee express their sincerest condolences to the family of ***Paul Mattatal***, former Medford Public Schools Physical Education Teacher, Coach, Class of 1966 graduate and 2010 Medford Hall of Fame Inductee.

The Members of the Medford School Committee express their sincerest condolences to the family of ***Francis "Franny" Giordano***, owner of Medford's Arthurs Pastry and former School Committee and City Council Member.

The Members of the Medford School Committee express their sincerest condolences to the family of ***Roberta Lynch***, retired Medford Public Schools teacher and paraprofessional.

XIII. Next Regular Meeting

December 1, 2025 - Alden Memorial Chambers, Medford City Hall in addition to zoom

XIV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn 7:47 PM by Member Reinfeld second by Member Branley
Branley(2) - yes
Graham() - yes
Intoppa() - yes
Olapade() - yes
Reinfeld(1) - yes
Ruseau() - yes
Mayor - yes