

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, October 7, 2026
Middle School Room 117/119

7:00 P.M.

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

Call to order: Mr. Forgue, Chairperson

BLANDFORD

Katherine McDonough

CHESTER

Brian Forgue
Jason Forgue
Jessica Sakaske

HUNTINGTON

Elizabeth Canedy
Pegg Dragon
Lisa Goding

MIDDLEFIELD

Tasha Strong
Stephanie Simonowicz

MONTGOMERY

Peter DeGregorio
Jakob Wyman

RUSSELL

Alicia Hansen
Lyndsey Papillon
Jennifer Pappas

SECRETARY

Melissa McKellick

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Melissa Matarazzo, Superintendent
Amy Mason, School Business Administrator

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Elle DeMoss
Amelia Steward-Frey (alternate)

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Kurt Garivaltis, Pupil Services Director
Martha Gendron, Littleville Asst. Principal
Joan Tuttle, Dir. of Accountability & Grants
Dr. Todd Gazda, Chester Principal
Melissa McCaul, Littleville Principal
Roland Joyal, Interim GRS Principal
Chris Tamburrino, Asst. Pupil Services Dir.
Val Zeh, GRS Assistant Principal
Stacy Stewart, Human Resources Director

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.)

7:15 PM III. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/RECOGNITIONS

- A. Introduction of Roland Joyal, Interim Principal at Gateway Regional School

7:20 PM IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

- A. [Subcommittee Calendar](#)
- B. [Capital Plan \(Vision\)](#) and Boiler Assessment
- C. School Busses and GPS
 - a. [GPS Insight Brochure](#)
 - b. [GPS Insight Quote](#)
- D. Regional Agreement: [Early Draft RFP](#)

8:00 PM V. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEM

- A. Approve Gateway Regional School [classes with fewer than 10 students](#)
- B. Approve Gateway Regional School teacher overages (see above link)
- C. Approve overnight trips
 - a. [8th grade to Boston](#)
 - b. [Early Education and Care to SkillsUSA](#)

8:10 PM VI. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Acceptance of [Donations & Grants](#) (Enc.)
- B. [Approve FY 27 Quarter 1 Budget Transfers \(Enc.\)](#)
- C. Approve Meeting [Minutes of September 9, 2026](#)
- D. Approve Meeting [Minutes of September 21, 2026](#)

8:15 PM VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE**8:20 PM IX. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. School Committee
- B. Chairperson
- C. Superintendent - Superintendent's Report ([Enc.](#)), Administrative Leadership Team Update ([Enc.](#))
- D. School Business Administrator Update (Enc.)
- E. Administration
- F. Town Officials

8:35 PM X. COMMITTEE REPORTING

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

8:45 PM XI. OTHER BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

8:45 PM XII. INFORMATION

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

#1011 - \$106,928.02.

PR#25.0 - \$528,125.49

#1103 - \$30,509.50

PR#26.0 - \$602,497.75

#1104 - \$161,860.95

8:45 PM XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

9:00 PM XIV. ADJOURNMENT by 9 p.m. unless extended by majority vote.