

HINGHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

December 21, 2020, 6:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA - Remote meeting via Zoom:

Dial-in number: 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 811 8621 0513

Website: <https://zoom.us/join>

1. Call to Order

CHAIR COMMENT: This meeting is being held remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.

2. Motion to enter into Executive Session and to reconvene in Open Session, for the purposes of:

- a. Approving minutes of the Executive Session held on November 19, 2020
- b. Approving minutes of the Executive Session held on December 7, 2020
- c. Discussing strategy related to collective bargaining negotiations for a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with HEA Unit A for the reopening of schools for the 2020-2021 school year
- d. Discussing strategy related to negotiations with HEA Unit C for a 2020-2023 collective bargaining agreement

the public discussion of which may be detrimental to the Committee's bargaining position.

3. Return to Open Session at 7:00PM

4. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the School Committee Meeting held on December 7, 2020

Minutes of the School Committee Meeting held on December 16, 2020

5. Questions and Comments.

The Hingham School Committee encourages community engagement and welcomes questions and comments as agenda items are discussed at the meeting. In addition, we have set aside up to fifteen minutes at the beginning of this meeting for comments or questions that fall under the purview of the School Committee and are not already on tonight's agenda. If any guests wish to speak, please come to the microphone, state your name and address, and address your comments to the Chairperson. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker and must relate to topics within the scope of responsibility of the School Committee. As established by the Massachusetts General Laws, the responsibilities of the School Committee are to (1) select and to terminate the Superintendent, (2) review and approve budgets for public education in the district, and (3) establish educational goals and policies for the schools in the district. Speakers are encouraged to present their remarks in a respectful manner and to consider the privacy interests of others. The public comment period is not a time for debate or response to comments by the School Committee. The School Committee is not adopting or endorsing any of the comments made during the public comment period.

6. New Business

To discuss a Memorandum of Agreement with HEA Unit A and act as appropriate.

7. Superintendent's Report
 - South Shore Educational Collaborative (SSEC) Update
 - Update on COVID-19 Metrics and Case Counts for the District
 - Update on Efforts to Increase K-2 In-Person Learning
 - Holiday Travel Reminders
8. Communications
 - 8.1 Student Communications
 - 8.2 Communications Received by the Superintendent
 - 8.3 Other Communications
9. Unfinished Business
 - 9.1 To hear an update on the FY21 HPS Operating Budget.
10. New Business
 - 10.1 To hear a report from the Counseling Department.
 - 10.2 To review proposed Sections D, G, H, I, and L of the Hingham Public Schools Policy Manual and act as appropriate.
 - 10.3 To receive notification of the resignation of Marianne Gates, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Recording Secretary to the School Committee, effective 12/14/20.
11. Subcommittee and Project Reports
 - Warrants Signed
12. Other items as may not reasonably be known 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

NEXT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday, January 11, 2021 – 7:00 PM via Zoom

Monday, January 25, 2021 – 7:00 PM via Zoom

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