



December 12, 2022

Dear HPS Families,

Below are discussion highlights with minute markers, along with links to relevant documents from the December 12th, School Committee meeting. These notes are not official School Committee minutes, which will be on the agenda for our next meeting, but are intended to keep the community informed of decisions and topics discussed in the meeting.

This is our last full meeting prior to the new year. We wish everyone a wonderful break and look forward to seeing you in January.

### **Upcoming Meeting Details**

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#### *School Committee Meetings*

- Monday, January 9 @ 7PM, Town Hall, 220 Central Street
- Budget Hearing I: Thursday, January 12 @ 6PM, Town Hall, 220 Central Street
- Office Hours: Tuesday, January 17 @ 7:30PM, Hingham High School
- Budget Hearing II: Wednesday, January 18 @ 6PM, Town Hall, 220 Central Street
- Monday, January 23 @ 7PM, Town Hall, 220 Central Street

You can view agendas for all town board and committee meetings [here](#)

### **November 28th School Committee Meeting Highlights**

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A full recording of the meeting is available on the [Harbor Media](#). Referenced documents can be reviewed in the [meeting packet](#). We have included timestamps below so you can skip ahead to discussions that may be of particular interest to you.

Additionally, we would like to continue to share information from our town on [resources](#) available to any residents who feel they need mental health related assistance.

- [\(1:16\)](#) The meeting started with a short message from Michelle Ayer expressing the school committee's appreciation for our teachers and classroom staff. Her statement included a reminder that the committee will press for a budget process that meets the needs of our students and will allow us to accomplish our strategic plan goals.
- [\(3:19\)](#) Approval of minutes from November 14 and November 28, 2022.
- [\(9:00\)](#) Superintendent's Report



- (10:57) Enrollment Update
- (11:04) Timeline for Assistant Superintendent Search
- (11:52) Update on Community SEL and Mental Health Resource: Care Solace
- (17:32) Communications
- New Business (all documents are available in the [meeting packet](#))
  - (19:19) Approval of proposed Model UN Student trip in January 2023
  - (22:33) Presentation by Jonathan Hawes followed by approval of the East Elementary School School Improvement Plan
  - (47:33) Presentation and update from Katie Roberts, Mary Andrews and David Jewett on beginning of year elementary assessment data
  - (1:24:47) Presentation an update from Heather Rodriguez on the Class of 2022 SAT, ACT and AP scores as well as post graduate plans
  - (1:55:41) Received notification of Winter Coaching Assignments, and fall/winter MIAA waivers
  - (2:06:06) Discussion and approval of a proposed fee increase for driver's education program to include non-residents
  - (2:12:13) Received and approved a grant from Cape Cod Bank for the World Language program
- (2:14:04) Subcommittee and Project Reports including the below upcoming meetings:
  - PRS School Council Meeting 12/13
  - [Climate Action Planning Committee](#) meeting 12/14 @7:30PM via Zoom
  - Human Rights Commission met on 11/30
  - Special Education Committee met on 12/1
  - Educational Programming met on 12/8
  - [Hingham Middle School Council](#) meeting 12/19 @2:30PM
  - Salary & Negotiations met on 12/7 to begin discussions with paraprofessionals. Meetings will continue in executive session on:
    - January 11, 2023
    - January 17, 2023
    - January 21, 2023
  - MASC Learning lunch on 12/9 was attended by Kerry Ni
  - SNAP meeting 12/13
  - Policy Subcommittee meeting 12/21 @1PM
  - [Finance Subcommittee](#) meeting 12/15 @4:30 to hear operating budget proposal for technology, athletics, facilities, and transportation
  - Finance Subcommittee meeting 12/21 to hear operating budget proposals from the interim assistant superintendent and the Director of Student Services
  - Foster School Council meeting 12/20 (tent.)
  - Sustainable Budget Task Force met on 12/1
  - [School Building Committee](#) meeting 12/14 @7PM
    - Prep work has started; site work to begin upon receipt of final permit

If you have questions or concerns, please email your [School Committee members](#).