



May 24, 2023

Dear HPS Families,

Below are discussion highlights with minute markers, along with links to relevant documents from the May 22nd 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.

Upcoming Meeting Details


School Committee Meetings

- School Committee Meeting, Monday, June 12 @7PM
- School Committee Meeting, Monday, June 26 @7PM

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May 22nd, School Committee Meeting Highlights

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.

- [\(2:36\)](#) Chairperson Nes Correnti shared that May 23rd has been designated as Maddie's Promise Day in Hingham 
- [\(3:16\)](#) Dr. Adams presented the Superintendent's Report with updates on the following:
 - [\(3:24\)](#) Congratulations to Officer Ramsey for being recognized as School Resource Officer of the Year
 - [\(4:21\)](#) Monthly enrollment update
 - [\(11:05\)](#) Third Strategic Plan update for the year was provided
 - [\(22:48\)](#) Review of progress on Superintendent Entry Plan and relevant documentation
- [\(27:51\)](#) Communications
 - [\(27:51\)](#) Nathan Tesler and Alex Doggett from the Student Advisory Council provided a student update
 - [\(30:30\)](#) Nes Correnti communicated receipt of emails in regards to paraeducator salary negotiations.
 - Kerry Ni provided an update on the current status of negotiations with HEA Unit B (paraprofessionals).



- Michelle Ayer shared communications from the Historical Society about their appreciation for the assistance from HHS Students during the Harbormen Helping Hingham day.
- [\(35:41\)](#) Unfinished Business
 - [\(35:41\)](#) Police Chief Jones joined the committee to review the updated MOU between the Police Department and Hingham Public Schools which was then approved unanimously
- [\(40:15\)](#) New Business
 - [\(40:15\)](#) Public Hearing to consider School Choice for 2023-2024 followed by continued committee discussions and vote to withdraw from this year's School Choice program and research further before next year's discussion
 - [\(1:03:07\)](#) The Technology Plan was presented by Kathryn Roberts, Joe Andrews and Heather Kashman and the committee voted to accept it
 - [\(1:39:50\)](#) Heather Kashman presented an update to the Communication Plan
 - [\(1:56:41\)](#) Voted to approve the appointment of Kathryn Roberts as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction and authorized Dr. Adams to enter into contract negotiations
 - [\(2:01:48\)](#) Voted to approve contracts for the Interim Executive Director of Student Services and Director of Business Support Services
 - [\(2:03:59\)](#) METCO liaison update and discussion of support for additional state funding
 - [\(2:08:21\)](#) Review of ADA Facilities Report and requested additional feedback as appropriate
 - [\(2:14:57\)](#) Voted to approve HHRA boat donation
 - [\(2:16:28\)](#) Presentation of 2023-2024 subcommittee and liaison assignments
 - [\(2:19:33\)](#) Discussed next steps and timing on Superintendent evaluation
- [\(2:22:17\)](#) Subcommittee and Project Reports
 - [Educational Programming Subcommittee](#) meeting to be held 5/24
 - Hingham Arts Alliance Board approved grant to fund the pilot Arts and Technology Pathway programs
 - Foster Building Committee selected the general contractor for the building project
 - Hingham Middle School Council meeting 5/30
 - Salaries and Negotiations meeting 5/23 ([Unit A](#)) and week of 5/29 ([Unit B](#))
 - [South School Council](#) meeting 5/24