

CLERK OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
20 IRVING STREET
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01609

AGENDA #8

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on: Thursday, March 3, 2016
at: 6:00 p.m. – Executive Session
7:00 p.m. – Regular Session
in: Esther Howland South Chamber, City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ACTION

I. CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION Reverend Milad Selim
St. George Orthodox Cathedral

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS - NONE

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

V. IMMEDIATE ACTION - NONE

VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT - NONE

VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION

c&p #6-2 - Clerk
(February 23, 2016)

To consider a communication from a citizen regarding the current compensation for substitute teachers in the Worcester Public Schools.

VIII. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

ACTION

The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 29, 2016 in Room 410 at the Dr. John E. Durkin Administration Building.

IX. PERSONNEL - NONE

X. GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #5-327.1 - Administration/Miss Biancheria/
Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell
(February 26, 2016)

Response of the Administration to the request to provide a report on:

- the number of classroom textbooks that are sent out to be rebound each year
- the number of textbooks that are needed for classroom use versus the available supply
- the access of textbooks on the computer
- the number of students who don't have textbooks and a
- response as to whether or not the district has a systemwide textbook inventory

gb #6-38.1 - Administration/Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/
Ms. Colorio/Miss McCullough
(February 24, 2016)

Response of the Administration to the request to determine whether sufficient student interest exists to form gymnastics teams, in individual schools or on a citywide basis, in cooperation with any private Worcester gymnastics centers willing and able to assist the teams to minimize costs.

gb #6-93 - Administration
(February 24, 2016)

To accept a \$500 donation from the Worcester County Deputy Sheriffs and \$100 from Spectrum Health Systems, Inc. for purchase of CPR mannequins for the district.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #6-94 - Administration
(February 24, 2016)

To accept donations in the amount of \$5,000 from The Pappas Family to set-up an Annual Scholarship for a Worcester Technical High School Senior football player in the amount of \$200.00.

gb #6-95 - Administration
(February 24, 2016)

To authorize the Administration to enter into a contract for five years for environmental engineering consultation in accordance with the district's Environmental Management System.

gb #6-96 - Miss Biancheria
(February 24, 2016)

Request that the Administration provide a report on the celebration and success stories of Read Across America Day in our schools.

gb #6-97 - Miss Biancheria
(February 24, 2016)

Request that the Administration provide information regarding the assignment of a full time teacher rather than a substitute, in order to provide continuity of instruction when a teacher leaves a position during the school year.

gb #6-98 - Miss Biancheria
(February 24, 2016)

Request that the Administration provide a report on the Recovery Program.

gb #6-99 - Administration
(February 24, 2016)

To accept a donation in the amount of \$100 from The Ryan P. Quinn Memorial Golf Tournament Fund for the purchase of CPR mannequins for the district.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #6-100 - Miss Biancheria
(February 24, 2016)

To discuss the proposed School/Program Relocation Plan.

gb #6-101 - Administration
(February 24, 2016)

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining for all Collective Bargaining Agreements, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the collective bargaining position of the School Committee and the chair so declares.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Helen A. Friel, Ed.D.
Clerk of the School Committee