

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

AGENDA #10

The School Committee will hold a regular meeting:

on: Thursday, June 6, 2013  
at: 4:00 p.m. – Budget Hearing  
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 – REGULAR MEETING

INVOCATION - Reverend Kevin Bean  
All Saints Episcopal Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS

aor #3-8 - Clerk  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider approval of the Minutes of the School Committee Meeting of Thursday, May 16, 2013.

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

V. IMMEDIATE ACTION

ACTION

gb #3-144.1 - Administration/Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Novick/  
Ms. Colorio/Mr. Foley/Miss Biancheria/  
Mr. Monfredo/Mayor Petty  
(May 21, 2013)

To congratulate the "Tech-Know Commandos" - the Robotics and Automation Team of Worcester Technical High School (Coach Michael Meagher, and students Kahlan Cardin, Greg Carlson, Natalie Correa, Jason McKinney, and Jake Richard) - for winning the 2013 VEX Robotics World Championship, and to acknowledge, with gratitude and appreciation, the assistance of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, National Grid, Metso Automation, EMC and Quinsigamond Community College, for their assistance to the team and its members which helped them to make their championship possible.

gb #3-150.1 - Administration/Administration  
(May 21, 2013)

To recognize Eftalia Economou, a first grade student at Nelson Place School, for winning the Massachusetts School Building Authority and State Treasurer Steven Grossman 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "My Ideal School" Contest.

VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT - NONE

VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION

c&p #3-9 - Clerk  
(May 29, 2013)

To consider a petition from a citizen regarding an alleged violation of the Open Meeting Law due to a concern about the access to Worcester City Hall.

VIII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

ACTION

The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met at 7:01 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Superintendent's Evaluation Process met at 6:05 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 in the Superintendent's Office at the Dr. John E. Durkin Administration Building.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Operations met at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 in 2013 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

The Standing Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Supports met at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 in 2013 in Room 410 at the Durkin Administration Building.

THE ACTION SHEETS CAN BE FOUND IN THE APPROPRIATE PLACE IN THE BACKUP

IX. PERSONNEL - NONE

X. GENERAL BUSINESS

ACTION

gb #3-81.1 - Administration/Administration  
(May 29, 2013)

Response of the Administration to the request to consider approval of the 2013-14 Policies Handbook of the Worcester Public Schools.

gb #3-104.1 - Administration/Administration  
(May 29, 2013)

To consider the proposed FY14 Budget.

gb #3-170 - Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Colorio/Miss Biancheria/  
Mr. O'Connell/Mayor Petty  
(May 9, 2013)

To set a date to recognize Sheila Harrity, Principal of Worcester Technical High School, for being named the State's Principal of the Year by the Massachusetts Secondary School Administrators.

gb #3-171 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 21, 2013)

To review "Why Worcester Needs Great Schools," the white paper prepared by Councilor O'Brien.

gb #3-172 - Ms. Novick  
(May 21, 2013)

To congratulate the following students for their award-winning projects at the Regional Science Fair held at WPI on April 30: Paris Jensen, Sullivan Middle School and Brianna L. Fisher, Flagg Street School.

gb #3-173 - Ms. Novick  
(May 23, 2013)

Request Administration report on the demographics of each of Worcester's Charter Schools.

gb #3-174 - Administration  
(May 23, 2013)

Request that the Superintendent be granted the annual authorization to make the final year end transfers necessary to balance surplus and deficit accounts for the fiscal year closing on June 30, 2013.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)ACTION

gb #3-175 - Mr. Monfredo  
(May 23, 2013)

Request that the Administration forward letters of congratulations to the following students who received medals at the 23rd Annual Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductor's Association Solo and Ensemble Festival on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at Concord-Carlisle High School:

**Burncoat High School**

Silver	Clarinet Quartet	Delphine Mweze Alexandra Donahue Luisa Tymosiuk Elisander Rivera-Sanchez
Bronze		Aline Mweze
Silver		Eva Moynihan

**South High Community School**

Gold	Flute Trio	Marie Brouillette Iva Hoxha Brielle Stovall
Gold	Saxophone Quartet	Shannon Kelly Erika Akerson Dillon Kempskie Aaron Mada
Silver	Saxophone Quartet	Xherd Aliko Dominik Danko Karolina Janczewski Quyien Tran
Silver	Clarinet Quartet	Kathryn Horback Emily Johnson Christopher Meehan Lucyna Poplawska
Silver	Woodwind Quartet	Marie Brouillette Cody Jones Elise Shea Patrick Shea Tara Shea
Bronze	Mixed Clarinet Quartet	Xiomara Carrasquillo Nicole DeFeudis Tina Tran Michael Truong
Silver	Clarinet Solo	Christopher Meehan
Silver	French Horn Solo	Elise Shea
Silver	Clarinet Solo	Patrick Shea
Silver	Oboe Solo	Tara Shea

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #3-176 - Administration  
(May 28, 2013)

To set an indirect cost rate for all state and federal grants for FY14.

gb #3-177 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Colorio/Mayor Petty  
(May 28, 2013)

To set a date to recognize Kaitlyn Furcinitti, a senior cellist at Burncoat High School, on receiving the Dr. Gerald Mack Music Scholarship.

gb #3-178 - Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Monfredo/  
Ms. Colorio/Mayor Petty  
(May 28, 2013)

To forward letters of recognition to the following students for being selected as recipients of the Posse Foundation full four-year college scholarships:

Lindsay Degnan	Doherty Memorial High School
Alexa Gjonco	Doherty Memorial High School
Ana Azevedo	Worcester Technical High School
Fransheska Clara	Worcester Technical High School
Ann Quaicoe	South High Community School
My Phan	Claremont Academy

gb #3-179 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider supporting House Bill 512 – an Act establishing a Special Commission of the Legislature for Mandated Reports and Data Submission for School Districts – filed on behalf of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

gb #3-180 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Ms. Colorio  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider supporting House Bill 511 – an Act increasing circuit breaker reimbursement to all costs above four times the foundation formula– filed on behalf of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #3-181 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider supporting House Bill 901 – an Act requiring private health insurance to cover medically necessary expenses for special needs children – filed on behalf of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

gb #3-182 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider supporting House Bill 414 – an Act restoring to School Committees the authority to review and approve school improvement plans submitted by school councils – filed on behalf of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

gb #3-183 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider supporting House Bill 222 – an Act which calculates the charter school reimbursement formula on the basis of the students they actually serve (and not on the basis of “assumed in school special education”) – filed on behalf of the Everett School Committee.

gb #3-184 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 28, 2013)

To consider supporting Senate Bill 239 – an Act which will include the category of transitory student enrollment in the calculation formula for Chapter 70 assistance.

gb #3-185 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo  
(May 28, 2013)

To forward letters of congratulations to the members of the HOSA (“Health Occupations Students of America”) Chapter of Worcester Technical High School on being selected to represent Massachusetts at the 2013 HOSA National Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #3-186 - Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Colorio  
(May 29, 2013)

To review a draft of the 2014-15 Worcester Public Schools Policies Handbook, containing any revisions the Administration wishes the School Committee to consider, at the first School Committee meeting of February, 2014.

gb #3-187 - Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Colorio  
(May 29, 2013)

To establish a committee comprised of mathematics and science instructors from the four-year colleges of the Worcester area to review the mathematics and science textbooks and related instructional materials of the Worcester Public Schools, to consider how thoroughly they prepare Worcester students to excel in college in those subjects.

gb #3-188 - Administration  
(May 29, 2013)

To review the proposed Sections I and II of the Policy Manual for the Worcester Public Schools as prepared by the MASC.

gb #3-189 - Mr. Monfredo  
(May 29, 2013)

To forward a letter of congratulations to Aretha Sullivan, a senior at University Park Campus School and a member of the Main South Basketball Team for being named the Central Massachusetts player of the year by the Massachusetts Basketball Coaches Association.

gb #3-190 - Mayor Petty  
(May 29, 2013)

To consider the Exam School Report.



GENERAL BUSINESS (continued)

ACTION

gb #3-191 - Administration  
(May 29, 2013)

To consider the appointment of a district representative to the Board of Directors to serve on the Central MA Special Education Collaborative.

gb #3-192 - Administration  
(May 29, 2013)

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the governmental body, to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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