

METHUEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Office of the Superintendent

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

A Workshop/Business/Executive Session of the Methuen School Committee will be held on Monday evening, September 24, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at the Methuen High School, Media Center, 1 Ranger Road, Methuen, MA. You can also watch live on Channel 99, Comcast and Channel 31, Verizon.

AGENDA

Call to Order
Roll Call
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Public Participation

1. Report/Discussion from Field Agent Mike Gilbert on:
 - a. Best way to go about appointing an interim superintendent
 - b. Best way to go about appointing a permanent superintendent
2. Title IV Positions
 - a. Interim K-8 Behavior Support Administrator – Approval
 - b. Interim Director of School Mental Health and Behavioral Services – Approval
 - c. Bridge Program Support Specialist - Approval
 - d. Lead Counselor Stipend - Approval
3. Executive Session
 - a. Executive Session Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares – Unit A - Teachers, Unit B - Administrators, Program Assistants, Cafeteria Employees, Technology Employees, Nurses, and Custodians.
 - b. Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any, general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements – Open Meeting Law, Review of Executive Session Minutes.
 - c. Executive Session Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel – Acting Superintendent of Schools Employment Contract.

Roll Call

Please note: Executive Session are not televised

Sincerely,
Brandi L. Kwong, Ed.D.
Acting Superintendent of Schools
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GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Here are the general rules for the Committee's Public Comment period:

1. Public Comment shall follow the opening of the meeting. The committee reserves the right to rearrange its agenda to accommodate scheduled presenters.
2. Any citizen wishing to speak before the Committee shall identify him/herself by name and address and shall speak for no longer than 5 minutes (per S.C. Policy BEDH). . No citizen may speak more than once without permission of the Chair. All citizens shall speak to the full Committee through the Chair and shall not address individual members or administrators.
3. Individuals may address topics on the agenda, items specified for Public Comment, or items within the scope of responsibility of the School Committee. The Chair shall rule out of order any individual who fails to honor the guidelines or who addresses a matter inappropriate for Public Comment.
4. Any Committee member may direct questions to the speaker through the Chair in order to clarify comments of the speaker.
5. A group of citizens appearing at a meeting to express favor for or opposition to a particular agenda item should designate one member of the group as spokesperson to be heard on the topic. Other members of the group may be heard if they feel that they can contribute additional information regarding the topic.
6. Public Comment is not a discussion, debate, or dialogue between citizens and the Committee. It is a citizen's opportunity to express his/her opinion on issues of School Committee business. The Committee and/or administrator's may not be prepared to directly respond to citizen questions posed in this forum but the Chair may request that citizens put the question in writing to the appropriate person or body so that the matter is given the proper consideration.