

WAKEFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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# SCHOOL COMMITTEE

# A G E N D A (Amended) Tuesday, March 28, 2023 Possible Executive Session: 6:00pm Regular Open Session: 7:00pm Public Hearing on the FY24 Budget: 7:15pm

The matters listed below are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair that may be discussed at this meeting. Not all items may, in fact, be discussed and other items not listed may be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

# 1. Call to Order

**2.** Possible Executive Session: Under Open Meeting Law executive session exemptions #2 and #3: To meet with School Committee legal counsel to discuss strategy in preparation for negotiations with respect to collective bargaining for the development of successor union contracts with WEA Unit A, and to review prior executive sessions meeting minutes; as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body, and the Chair so declares.

#### 3. Adjourn Executive Session and return to Open Session.

#### 4. Pledge of Allegiance

**5.** Reading of the Mission Statement: The vision of the Wakefield Public Schools is to graduate students who are confident, lifelong learners who are respectful and caring members of their community. Our mission is to prepare students for college, career, and community by providing rich and challenging curriculum, high quality instruction, and educational experiences that meet their individual needs and interests.

# 6. Opening Remarks from the Chair

7. Consent Agenda (Motion) – Approval of the minutes of the March 14, 2023 School Committee meeting and Acceptance of the minutes of the March 16, 2023 and March 23, 2023 School Committee Finance and Facilities Subcommittee meeting, the minutes of the March 20, 2023 School Committee Student Services Subcommittee meeting, and the minutes of the March 21, 2023 School Committee Policy and Communications Subcommittee meeting.

8. Vote to Enter into a Public Hearing to convene at 7:15 p.m: For the public to review and comment on the School Committee's Budget for the Wakefield Public Schools for the period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024. Community members are welcome to participate in person or via the Zoom access provided above during the Public Hearing public participation session and provide input and suggestions to the School Committee before making their decision about next year's school spending plan.

## 9. Vote to Exit from the Public Hearing.

**10. Public Comment** – Any member of the public who wishes to address the School Committee is asked to submit any comments or concerns to School Committee Chair Markham at tom.markham@wpsk12.org or Superintendent Lyons at doug.lyons@wpsk12.org at least two hours prior to the start of the meeting. Members of the public are invited to participate in person or via the Zoom virtual meeting, using the instructions listed above. In the event further deliberation or action is warranted, any issues raised may be included as an item on a future School Committee Agenda.

## 11. Student Advisory Council Updates -

#### 12. Chair's Comments/Action Items -

- a. Comments and Updates
- b. Superintendent's Mid-Year Review/Self-Assessment schedule

## 13. FY24 School Budget Discussion, Possible Vote (Motion)

- a. Budget updates, discussion, comments (Dr. Lyons, Ms. Bufagna)
- b. Budget updates, discussion, comments (Finance/Facilities Subcommittee, SC Members)
- c. Possible Vote(s)

#### 14. Superintendent's Remarks, Reports, Recommendations –

a. Comments and Updates

#### 15. Business Items –

a. Gifts – None

#### 16. Subcommittee Reports –

- a. Finance and Facilities Mike Boudreau Tom Markham
- b. Labor and Personnel
- c. Student Services Amy Leeman
- d. Policy and Communications Stephen Ingalls
- d.1. Policy proposal on SC officer term to be placed on the table
- e. Liaison Reports (if any) Member Liaisons

# 17. Future Dates & Agenda Items –

- Next School Committee Meeting: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 7:30pm
- Following School Committee Meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 2023 7:30pm
- Town Finance Committee, FY24 school budget review: Thursday, April 13, 2023, 7:00pm
- May School Committee meetings: Tuesday, May 2 and Tuesday, May 23 both 7:30pm
- Annual Town Meeting begins: Monday, May 15, 2023 (Galvin Middle School)

# 18. School Committee Comments –

#### **19.** Adjournment (Motion)