Mission Statement

The mission of the Gardner Public School System is to prepare, in collaboration with parents, students who are ready upon graduation for the challenges of college and career without remediation. This will be done in a safe, caring, just and equitable environment. Our Core Values are Academic Excellence, Creativity, Respect and Responsibility.

The topics listed are those reasonable anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

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GARDNER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Monday, August 31, 2020, 6:00 PM
Zoom Meeting
Broadcast live on Gardner Educational Television, Channel 8 and on the City’s You Tube Channel

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Call to Order

B. Consent Agenda
   a. Approval of Minutes: June 8, 2020,
   b. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes: July 29, 2020
   c. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes August 6, 2020
   d. Warrant #20-50, dated June 11, 2020, in the amount of $278,890.43
   e. Warrant #20-51, dated June 18, 2020, in the amount of $154,508.48
   f. Warrant #20-52, dated June 25, 2020, in the amount of $54,313.41
   g. Warrant #20-53, dated June 30, 2020, in the amount of $189,109.29
   h. Warrant #20-54, dated June 30, 2020, in the amount of $337,304.17
   i. Warrant #20-55, dated June 30, 2020, in the amount of $194,920.60
   j. Warrant #21-06, dated August 6, 2020, in the amount of $430,744.94
   k. Warrant #21-07, dated August 13, 2020, in the amount of $807,319.42
   l. Warrant #21-08, dated August 20, 2020, in the amount of $138,618.41
   m. Warrant #21-09, dated August 27, 2020, in the amount of $38,455.48
   n. Donations

C. Subcommittee Reports
   Facilities Subcommittee
   Finance Subcommittee
   Policy Subcommittees
D. Discussion Items
New Business
Item # 3165 First Reading of Policies (Information)
   EBCFA – Face Coverings
   EBC-S - Policy On COVID-RELATED Issues
Item # 3166 Second Reading of Policies (Vote Required)
   BBA – School Committee and Duties
   IGB - Support Services Programs
   IHAM – Health Education
   IHB – Special Instructional Program and Accommodations
   IHBEA – English Language Learners
   JFBB - School Choice (Districts choosing not to participate)
   JH – Student Absences and Excuses
   JHD – Exclusions and Exemptions from School
   JICFA – Prohibition of Hazing

Item # 3167 Re-Opening of School Plan (Discussion)
Item # 3168 Technology update (Discussion)
Item # 3169 MIAA Sports (Vote Required)
Item # 3170 Waiving Pre-school Tuition (Discussion/Vote Required)
Item # 3171 ID Scan (Information)
Item # 3172 Ad-Hoc Subcommittee COVID-19 (Discussion/Vote Required)
Item # 3173 Budget Update (Information)
Item # 3174 Food Services (information)

E. Communications

F. Final Comments of School Committee

G. Executive Session

H. Adjournment