



Lowell Public School Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: March 15, 2017

Time: 6:30PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA 01852

1. ROLL CALL

2. SALUTE TO FLAG

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

3.I. Spotlight On Excellence: 2017 Science And Engineering Fair

Documents:

[3-15-17 SPOTLIGHT 2017 SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR.PDF](#)

4. MINUTES

4.I. Approval Of The Minutes Of The Regularly Scheduled School Committee Meeting Of Wednesday, March 1, 2017

Documents:

[LSC MINUTES - MARCH 1, 2017.PDF](#)

5. PERMISSION TO ENTER

5.I. Permission To Enter: March 15, 2017

Documents:

[PERMISSION TO ENTER - MARCH 15, 2017.PDF](#)

6. MOTIONS

6.I. [By Jacqueline Doherty]:

Request the Superintendent provide the committee with recommendations for increasing the compensation of our Substitute

Teachers to be competitive in today's education market along with the data to support such increases.

6.II. [By Jacqueline Doherty]:

Request the Superintendent ensure the LPS website is updated, links to packet reports are working, and each school page provides information on its School Site Council members, meeting times, agendas, and minutes along with other relevant school-specific dates, events and information.

6.III. [By Steve Gendron]

Request the Superintendent develop a class size policy for Lowell Public Schools that includes current status and goals for all grades K-12.

6.IV. [By Connie Martin And Robert Gignac]

Request that the Administration prepare a resolution for consideration by the Lowell School Committee that clearly defines the district's commitment to protecting our students, regardless of their immigration status and offers all LPS staff a clear procedure for ensuring that no Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials will be granted access to the Lowell Public Schools without the expressed permission of the Superintendent of Schools.

6.V. [Robert J. Hoey]:

Request a report from the Superintendent regarding the total cost of security and safety in our schools, including the amount we spend on resource officers, security and security equipment.

6.VI. [By Steve Gendron]

Request the Superintendent provide a response to the contract offer from the Lowell School Committee.

7. **SUBCOMMITTEES**

7.I. Policy Subcommittee: Approval Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Of Monday, March 6, 2017 [Robert Hoey, Chair]

Documents:

[POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING - MARCH 6, 2017.PDF](#)

8. **REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

8.I. Food Service Presentation At Satellite Sites & Food Truck Approval

Documents:

[2017 0310 MEMORANDUM UPDATE ON SATELLITE MEALS.PDF](#)
[2017 0310 MEMORANDUM UPDATE ON DELIVERY TRUCK.PDF](#)

8.II. Dropout Prevention And Recovery

Documents:

[DROPOUT PREVENTION AND RECOVERY REPORT.PDF](#)

8.III. Extracurricular Activities Update

Documents:

[EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES UPDATE.PDF](#)

8.IV. K-12 Student Population By Zip Code

Documents:

[STUDENT POPULATION BY ZIP CODE COVER PAGE.PDF](#)
[K 12 BY ZIP CODES.PDF](#)

8.V. Management Letter

Documents:

[MANAGEMENT LETTER.PDF](#)
[LOWELL FY2016 MANAGEMENT LETTER.PDF](#)

8.VI. Response To Mayor Kennedy's Motion Of 02/01/17 Regarding STEM Academy At LHS

Documents:

[STEM AT LHS.PDF](#)

8.VII. Rights Of Undocumented Students And Protocols For ICE Access In Schools

Documents:

[UNDOCUMENTED STUDENT RIGHTS.PDF](#)

8.VIII. Monthly Financial Report

Documents:

[BUDGET REPORT MEMO 2-28-17.PDF](#)
[FEB YTD BUDGET SPREADSHEET.PDF](#)
[SCHOOL COMMITTEE UPDATE 3-7-17.PDF](#)
[2017 GRANTS WORKSHEET BY CATEGORY AND FTES.PDF](#)

8.IX. Response To Robert Hoey's Motion Of 01/04/17 Regarding Diversity Hiring Efforts

Documents:

[DIVERSITY REPORT FINAL FOR COMMITTEE.PDF](#)

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.I. Budget Transfer

Documents:

[BUDGET TRANSFER MARCH BJE 15 2016-17.PDF](#)
[BUDGET TRANSFER 3-9-17 NEEDS SC APPR.PDF](#)

10. CONVENTION/CONFERENCE REQUESTS

10.I. LHS - Business Professionals Of America-Orlando, FL.

Head of School Brian Martin, request permission for Lowell High School Business Professional Advisor, Jill McNamara, Co-advisor Wayne Taylor along with 10 members of the Lowell Chapter of the Business Professionals of America to attend the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, FL from Wednesday, May 10, 2017 through Sunday, May 14, 2017 at the Walt Disney Swan Resort in Orlando, FL. Students will miss 3 days of school. The cost of \$600.00 will be paid by Lowell High School Individual School account. The cost for the students will be approximately \$850 per student(airfare only). Registration per student is \$115, room rate varies by the number of student in each room for four nights averages \$1062.12 per room or \$ 266. Transportation to/from Lowell-Boston/Orlando Airport to the hotel is estimated at \$360 and will be covered by LHS Student Activities funds. The advisors hotel for four nights on the amount of \$1062.12 will be paid through the BPA Chapter funds. Students have been raising funds to defray the cost of the trip and each student. There will be no additional cost to the Lowell School Department budget.

Documents:

[LHS ORLAND FL.PDF](#)

10.II. LHS AFJROTC Trip To Dayton, Ohio

Trip previously approved on January 18, 2017: Head of School Brian Martin, request permission for AFJROTC staff members Lt col Eileen Ironfield, MSgt Kevin Casilli and TSgt David Smith to travel to Dayton, Ohio with approximately 45 students for the Air Force Drill Competition.

The team will depart Lowell High School on Friday, March 17, 2017 and will return on Monday, March 20, 2017. The students will miss two days of school. The estimated cost of the competition will not exceed a total of \$23,000. including transportation, lodging and food. The only cost will be for two substitute teachers for two days at the cost of \$400 to be charged against LHS Professional Development. This trip will be

funded using a combination of AFJROTC funds, student fundraising, and student contribution.
Change Requested: Staff & Drill Team will be leaving on Thursday, March 16th instead of Friday, March 17th and one additional substitute will be required for that day increasing the cost to \$500.00.

Documents:

[UPDATE TO AFJROTC FIELD TRIP.PDF](#)

10.III. LHS TESOL Convention

Permission for LSH ELL Teacher, Aracelis Sullivan, to attend the TESOL International Convention in Seattle, Washington on Tuesday, March 21- Friday, March 24, 2017. The entire cost of the conference will be paid by the Grant; therefore, will be no cost to the Lowell Public Schools. No substitute is needed

Documents:

[LHS TESOL CONVENTION.PDF](#)

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

11.I. Executive Session:

- Discussing and deliberating on matters regarding contract negotiations with the Superintendent of Schools, Deputy Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents for Curriculum and Assessment and Assistant Superintendent for Business Finance.
- Litigation and collective bargaining (all unions)

12. **ADJOURNMENT**