



# Lowell Public School Committee

## *Regular Meeting Agenda*

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**Date:** April 15, 2020

**Time:** 6:30PM

**Location:** Join Zoom Meeting

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### 1. SALUTE TO FLAG

### 2. ROLL CALL

### 3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

3.1. This Meeting Is Being Held Remotely In Accordance With The Governor Of Massachusetts' March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions Of The Open Meeting Law G.L. C. 30A, Section 20.

3.2. Public Hearing Inter-District School Choice Program

Documents:

[SCHOOL CHOICE PUBLIC HEARING.DOCX.PDF](#)

### 4. MINUTES

4.1. Approval Of The Minutes Of The Special Meeting Of The Lowell School Committee Of March 27, 2020

Documents:

[LSC SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - MARCH 27, 2020.PDF](#)

4.2. Approval Of The Minutes Of The Regularly Scheduled Lowell School Committee Meeting Of Wednesday, April 1,

2020

Documents:

[LSC MINUTES - APRIL 1, 2020.PDF](#)

4.3. Approval Of The Minutes Of The Special Meeting Of The Lowell School Committee Of Monday, April 6, 2020

Documents:

[LSC SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - APRIL 6, 2020.PDF](#)

5. **MOTIONS**

5.1. [By Mayor John Leahy]:

Requesting that the administration provide the committee with an update on internet services, the status on Chromebooks distribution and the potential purchase of additional electronic devices.

5.2. [By Mayor John Leahy]:

Request that the Superintendent provide the committee with a report showing that the administration is working on a plan B for the FY21 Budget.

5.3. [By Connie Martin]:

Requesting that the Administration report on the roll out and implementation of the District-wide Remote Learning Policy. The report should include the recommended benchmarks and outcome measures that the district will be using to track both short and long term effectiveness of the existing plan.

5.4. [By Jackie Doherty]:

Request the Superintendent provide the committee with a report that examines the factors that may have contributed to tripling the number of student dropouts over the last few years including staff reductions, discontinued actions, or program changes

5.5. [By Jackie Doherty]:

Request the Superintendent develop a plan that enables custodial staff to safely clean and maintain school buildings and grounds during the shutdown, including the potential to complete projects often overlooked due to time constraints, such as inventory control and grounds

work.

5.6. [By Michael Dillon Jr.]:

Request that the administration explore closing LPS through the end of the current school year and continuing to operate in a distance-learning environment.

5.7. [By Michael Dillon Jr.]:

Request the Superintendent ask the Athletic Director to provide a report identifying any recommendations to be considered for athletics during the current budget process.

5.8. [By Michael Dillon Jr.]:

Request the Administration provide a report on the position of Athletic Director at Lowell HS including a job description, outline of responsibilities, number of teams/ programs, number of staff, and any other relevant information available.

## 6. **SUBCOMMITTEES**

6.1. Finance Subcommittee:

Report and Approval of the Meeting of Wednesday, April 8, 2020 [Connie Martin, Chairperson]

Documents:

[FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE -APRIL 8, 2020.PDF](#)

## 7. **REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

7.1. COVID-19 Response Update

Documents:

[LPS COVID-19 RESPONSE 4-15.20.PDF](#)

7.2. Lowell High School Head Of School Hiring Update

Documents:

### 7.3. Report On Motions

Documents:

[REPORT MOTIONS APRIL 15,.PDF](#)

- 7.3.1. Response To Motion 5.CAO Of 02/19/20 By Hillary Clark: Makerspaces In Lowell Public Schools Request The Superintendent Provide A Status Update On The Use Of The Makerspace's At Lowell High School And The Bartlett Community Partnership School.

Documents:

[MAKERSPACE RESPONSE TO MOTION.PDF](#)

- 7.3.2. Response To Motion 5. COO Of 03/27/20 By Bob Hoey: Superintendent To Review With Solicitor The School Committee's Authority To Vote On Paying Transportation Providers And Other Venders When Services Could Not Be Performed Because Of COVID-19 Closure Of Schools.

Documents:

[AUTHORITY ON PAYMENTS.PDF](#)

## 8. **NEW BUSINESS**

### 8.1. Grading And Promotion Policies During Covid-19 Public Health Crisis

Documents:

[GRADING AND PROMOTION POLICIES DURING COVID-19.PDF](#)

### 8.2. Vote Of Inter-District School Choice

Documents:

[1- SCHOOL CHOICE MEMO 4.13.20.DOCX.PDF](#)

### 8.3. Approval Of Revised 2019-2020 School Calendar Due To Health Emergency

Documents:

[CURRENT - 2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR WITH EARLY RELEASE.DOCX.PDF](#)  
[2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR FINAL PROPOSED.DOCX.PDF](#)

## 9. **PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL**

### 9.1. UTL Donated Sick Days For Julie Bannerman

Documents:

[UTL.PDF](#)

## 10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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