

# AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Quincy School Committee  
Wednesday, May 2, 2012  
Temporary City Council Chambers, Quincy City Hall  
7:00 p.m.

- I. Approval of Minutes: Regular Session Minutes for April 4, 2012 and Executive Session Minutes for April 4, 2012.
  
- II. Open Forum: An opportunity for community input regarding the Quincy Public Schools. After giving his or her name and address, each speaker may make a presentation of no more than four minutes to the School Committee. An individual may not exchange their time or yield to others.
  
- III. Superintendent's Report:
  - A. Cleaner Greener, May 5
  - B. Community Service Learning Celebration, May 4
  - C. Middle and High School Foreign Language Essay and Poster Contest Participants
  - D. Squantum School Multi-Cultural Event
  - E. HYPER Robotics
  - F. Department of Public Works Week/Elementary School Banners
  
- IV. Old Business: None

V. New Business:

- A. School Choice: Superintendent recommends that the Quincy School Committee withdraws from the obligation to enroll non-resident students in the Quincy Public Schools for the 2012-2013 academic year for the following reasons:
- Continued projected enrollment conditions at the elementary and middle school based on current and project enrollments
  - Policy of the Quincy School Committee to adhere to class size guidelines.
- B. District Improvement Plan: District Improvement Timeline and Professional Development Plan *Assistant Superintendent Roberts*

VI. Additional Business:

VII. Communications:

VIII. Reports of Subcommittees:

- A. Central Building Committee: Mrs. Mahoney to report on the April 9, 2012 meeting.
- B. Facilities and Security Subcommittee: Mr. McCarthy to report on the April 11, 2012 and April 19, 2012 meetings.
- C. Policy Subcommittee: Mr. Bregoli to report on the April 30, 2012 meeting.

IX. Executive Session: Collective Bargaining.

X. Adjournment:

## SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

### SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

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#### BUDGET & FINANCE

Isola/Bregoli/Hubley/Koch/Lebo/Mahoney/McCarthy

#### SCHOOL FACILITIES AND SECURITY

McCarthy/Bregoli/Hubley

- (1) Sterling Building Plans Referred to Subcommittee by the School Building Task Force in 1998.
- (2) Coddington Hall \$1.5 million Appropriation Referred to Subcommittee at the May 18, 2011 School Committee Meeting. The City of Quincy has appropriated \$1.5 million to refurbish Coddington Hall to serve as the Quincy Public Schools administrative offices. Wessling Architects has been chosen to complete the design phase of the project and construction cost estimating is underway as of February 2012.
- (3) Houses on Saville Avenue Referred to Subcommittee at the May 18, 2011 School Committee Meeting. Currently home to the School Maintenance and Public Building departments, the School Committee and Superintendent see no future educational uses for these properties.
- (4) Outside Lighting Audit Referred to Subcommittee at the February 8, 2012 School Committee Meeting. To address safety concerns, an audit was requested to look for lights that need repair or replacement and locations that would benefit from additional lighting.
- (5) Coddington Hall Parking Lot Rental to Quincy College Referred to Subcommittee at the February 8, 2012 School Committee Meeting. Assess feasibility of managing the building parking lot as rental property during the renovation process.
- (6) Acceptance of Provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 71, Section 37M Referred to Subcommittee at the March 21, 2012 School Committee Meeting. Discuss proposed consolidation of the School Maintenance Department budget with the City of Quincy Department of Public Works.

#### HEALTH, TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY

Hubley/Lebo/McCarthy

- (1) School Meal Charges Referred to Subcommittee at the March 21, 2012 School Committee Meeting. New state and federal regulations require formalization of the school meal charges policy.
- (2) School Wellness Policy Referred to Subcommittee at the March 21, 2012 School Committee Meeting. New state and federal guidelines will require revision of the existing Wellness Policy.
- (3) Science Lab Safety: Referred from the Teaching and Learning Subcommittee at the April 2, 2012 meeting. High School Science labs have been reviewed and needed updates for compliance completed; Middle School Science labs still to be evaluated.

#### SCHOOL POLICY

Bregoli/Isola/Mahoney

- (1) Graduation Requirements Referred to Subcommittee at the September 7, 2011 School Committee Meeting and discussed at the October 11, 2011 School Policy Subcommittee. The discussion centered around adding a fourth year of Math as a graduation requirement and all agreed to table the issue until more is known about the impact of the new Common Core Standards on the Massachusetts frameworks.
- (2) New Educator Evaluations Referred at the September 7, 2011 School Committee Meeting and shared with the Teaching and Learning Subcommittee. Two meetings have already been held to begin exploring the requirements of the new regulations (9/21/11 Ad Hoc Subcommittee meeting and

February 13, 2012 Teaching and Learning Subcommittee meeting) and further discussion will be held in Executive Session as it pertains to collective bargaining.

(3) High School Community Service Pilot Referred to Subcommittee at the December 14, 2011 School Committee Meeting. A resolution was introduced proposing a phased-in Community Service requirement and further discussion is needed to create a pilot program for both high schools.

(4) Conflict of Interest: Volunteering, Tutoring, Hiring Referred to Subcommittee at the January 11, 2012 School Committee Meeting. Review and discussion of existing policy requested.

(5) Adding CPR as a Graduation Requirement Referred to Subcommittee at the March 21, 2012 School Committee Meeting. Review and discussion of existing policy requested.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

**Mahoney/Bregoli/McCarthy**

(1) Substitute Teachers for SPED Originally referred to Subcommittee at the January 17, 2007 School Committee Meeting. At the Special School Committee Meeting on January 28, 2012 and the Special Education Subcommittee meeting on February 1, 2012, it was agreed that some progress has been made in the way that substitute teachers are informed and educated about accommodations for special needs issues. A form has been developed for classroom teachers to share information and the goal for implementation is the 2012-2013 school year.

(2) Special Education Program Assessment Referred to Subcommittee at the January 28, 2012 Special School Committee Meeting. This will be an ongoing discussion of the curriculum initiatives for Special Education.

## **RULES, POST AUDIT & OVERSIGHT**

**Lebo/Bregoli/Hubley**

## **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

**Lebo/Hubley/Isola**

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## **AD HOC COMMITTEES:**

### **CHANNEL 22**

**Mahoney/McCarthy**

Created at the October 27, 2007 School Committee meeting to encourage the greater use of Channel 22 across Quincy Public Schools.

### **CENTRAL BUILDING COMMITTEE**

**Mahoney**