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AGENDA #1

The Standing Committee on GOVERNANCE AND EMPLOYEE ISSUES will hold a meeting:

on: , 2019
at: p.m.
in: Room 410, Durkin Administration Building

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. GENERAL BUSINESS

gb #6-271 - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/Ms. Colorio/Miss McCullough/
Miss Biancheria/Mayor Petty (July 21, 2016)

Request that the Administration consider including training in the Heimlich maneuver as part of the Compression CPR Program and review the Heimlich Heroes Program, which was created by Deaconess Associations, Inc. (DAI) with the support from the Heimlich Institute, for possible implementation in the Worcester Public Schools.

c&p #7-2 - Clerk (April 6, 2017)

To consider a petition from a citizen regarding a request to hold public hearings on the impact of standardized testing on students in the Worcester Public Schools.

gb #7-107 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Foley/Ms. Colorio/Mr. Monfredo (March 10, 2017)

To review, and to make recommendations as appropriate, as to the Federal FY18 Budget submitted by the President, as it relates to funding of the US Department of Education and its grants and programs.

gb #7-119 - Mr. Monfredo/Mr. Foley/Ms. Colorio/Mr. O'Connell (March 20, 2017)

Request that the School Committee forward letters to the Congressional Delegation in opposition to the President's Budget for Education and its impact on the school district and further request that the MASC consider organizing all districts in Massachusetts to oppose these cuts and voice opposition to the Massachusetts Delegation.

gb #8-74 - Mr. O'Connell/Mr. Monfredo/Miss Biancheria/Miss McCullough (February 14, 2018)

To formulate a policy, and appropriate protocols and guidelines, as to initiation of procedures in Juvenile Court under the "Children Requiring Assistance" statute (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 119, Sections 21 and 39E – 39I), in light of the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court in Millis Public Schools v. M.P. et al (SJC-12384, February 6, 2018).

gb #8-123.4 - Administration/Miss Biancheria/Mr. O'Connell (August 28, 2018)

Responses of the Administration to the motions to:

- study the feasibility of combining all monies for snow removal into one account -500-97201 Maintenance Salaries Overtime
- make as a priority the restoration of the tutors, if funds are received from the state - 500-91134 Educational Support Services
- provide a report on the grant funded positions and the State funded positions in line B. Teaching and Learning Division on page 164 of the Budget Book
-500-91110 Administration Salaries
- provide a report on the number of Maintenance Service positions for the last 3 years and compare them with those in FY19 -500-91120 Maintenance Service Salaries
- provide a report regarding the current deployment of security guards in the Worcester Public Schools - 500130-96000 Personal Services (Non Salary)

gb #8-153.2 - Administration/Administration (June 11, 2018)

To discuss the proposed Strategic Plan.

gb #8-154 - Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Comparetto/Mr. Foley/Miss McCullough/Mr. Monfredo(May 1, 2018)

To establish an English Learner Parent Advisory Council, in compliance with Section 56 of Chapter 138 of the Acts of 2017 ("An Act Relative to Language Opportunity for our Kids").

gb #8-174 - Miss McCullough/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Foley/Mr. Monfredo (May 15, 2018)

Request that the Administration review the overall Dress Code Policy and update it, if appropriate.

gb #8-204 - Mr. Comparetto/Miss McCullough/Mr. Monfredo (June 13, 2018)

Request that the Administration consider creating a Development Specialist position to help raise much needed funding for the Worcester Public Schools.

gb #8-285 - Mr. Foley/Mr. Comparetto/Miss McCullough/Mr. O'Connell (September 25, 2018)

Request that the Administration consider the implications of excessive heat and humidity upon the learning environment in the classrooms and the schools without air conditioning and the adverse conditions for students, teachers and staff. The Administration should develop a policy to be followed when the city has experienced consecutive days of excessive heat and humidity and the conditions in many of the schools are intolerable.

gb #8-301 - Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Comparetto/Mr. Foley/Miss McCullough/Mr. Monfredo (October 2, 2018)

Request that the Administration provide an update on the education plan approval process for homeschooled children and specify when the process will be completed for the current academic year, including an update on plans to expedite the process to assure its rapid and efficient completion for 2019-20.

gb #8-322 - Miss McCullough/Mr. Comparetto/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/
Miss Biancheria (October 15, 2018)

Request that the Administration consider the feasibility of developing a policy regarding the amount of time for lunches, especially at the elementary level.

gb #8-323 - Miss McCullough/Mr. Comparetto/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/
Miss Biancheria (October 15, 2018)

Request that the Administration review IT policies regarding password creation and information that is shared both within the system and outside the Worcester Public Schools to insure it is utilizing appropriate safety and security measures.

gb #8-324 - Miss McCullough/Mr. Comparetto/Mr. Monfredo/Mr. O'Connell/
Miss Biancheria (October 16, 2018)

To review the Worcester Public Schools Recess Policy to insure that it is being adhered to districtwide.

gb #8-351 - Administration (November 19, 2018)

To amend the Policy Manual by deleting IHBG - Home Schooling Policy and replacing it with the Home Schooling Policy as contained in the Student Handbook.

gb #9-39 - Administration (January 25, 2019)

To consider approval of the 2019-20 Student Handbook of the Worcester Public Schools.

gb #9-42 - Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria/Mr. Comparetto/Miss McCullough/
Mr. Monfredo (January 30, 2019)

To establish a practice and procedure for expeditious compliance with School Committee Policy GCA ("All professional staff positions in the school system will be created initially by the Superintendent and approved by the School Committee.")

V. ADJOURNMENT

Helen A. Friel, Ed.D.
Clerk of the School Committee