

HINGHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE
January 8, 2024 at 6:30 PM
Central Meeting Room, 2nd Floor
Town Hall
210 Central Street
Hingham, MA 02043

or Remote via Zoom
Dial-in number: 1-929-205-6099
Meeting ID: 881 9001 4764
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Website: <https://zoom.us/join>

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of minutes
 - 2.1 Minutes of the School Committee meeting held on November 27, 2023
 - 2.2 Minutes of the School Committee meeting held on December 9, 2023
 - 2.3 Minutes of the School Committee meeting held on December 11, 2023
 - 2.4 Minutes of the School Committee meeting held on December 28, 2023

3. Questions and Comments

The Hingham School Committee encourages community engagement and welcomes questions and comments as agenda items are discussed at the meeting. In addition, we have set aside up to fifteen minutes at the beginning of this meeting for comments or questions that fall under the purview of the School Committee and are not already on tonight's agenda. If any guests wish to speak, please raise your hand, state your name and address, and address your comments to the Chairperson. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker and must relate to topics within the scope of responsibility of the School Committee. As established by the Massachusetts General Laws, the responsibilities of the School Committee are to (1) select and to evaluate the Superintendent, (2) review and approve budgets for public education in the district, and (3) establish educational goals and policies for the schools in the district. Speakers are encouraged to present their remarks in a respectful manner and to consider the privacy interests of others. The public comment period is not a time for debate or response to comments by the School Committee. The School Committee is not adopting or endorsing any of the comments made during the public comment period.

In addition to this public comment period, the School Committee practice provides time for questions and comments from the public on new business items on the agenda.

4. Superintendent's Report
 - 4.1 Personnel Report
5. Communications
 - 5.1 Communications Received by the Superintendent

- 5.2 Student Communications
- 5.3 Other Communications

- 6. Unfinished Business
 - 6.1 To discuss policies, JFAB-Enrollment of Children of Personnel and CBI-Evaluation of Superintendent (second read), and act as appropriate

- 7. New Business
 - 7.1 To approve a student trip to NYC in May 2024 and act as appropriate
 - 7.2 To receive a report on Kids in Action programming
 - 7.3 To discuss KIA after-school K-5 program fees for 2024-2025 and act as appropriate
 - 7.4 To discuss elementary Spanish immersion exploration
 - 7.5 To discuss the addition of community service requirements at Hingham High School and act as appropriate
 - 7.6 To discuss an activity/club fee at Hingham High School for the 2024-2025 school year and act as appropriate
 - 7.7 To discuss warrant article on naming new elementary school and act as appropriate
 - 7.8 To provide an overview of the financial FY25 budget
 - 7.9 To approve grants and donations and act as appropriate
 - 7.10 To approve surplus and act as appropriate

- 8. Subcommittee and Project Reports
Warrants Signed

- 9. Other items as may not reasonably be known 48 hours in advance of the meeting

- 10. Adjourn to Executive Session not to return to Open Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(3) not to return to Open Session for the purposes of:
 - To approve minutes from the Executive Session held on December 18, 2023 as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares

 - To provide an update on negotiations with HEA Unit A, B, and D as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares

Next School Committee Meetings:

Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Monday, January 29, 2024 with Capital Outlay at 7:00 PM

This meeting is being held in person and/or remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 and all other applicable laws temporarily amending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.