

HINGHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE
April 7, 2025 at 6:00 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: 886 6973 1809 Passcode: 123082
Website: <https://zoom.us/join>

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order at 6:00 PM
2. Motion to enter into Executive Session and to reconvene in Open Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(3) for the purposes of:
 - 2.1 To Approve minutes from the Executive Session held on February 24, 2025 as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares
 - 2.2 To Approve minutes from the Executive Session held on March 24, 2025 as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares
 - 2.3 To conduct strategy session with respect to collective bargaining or litigation, the public discussion of which would be detrimental to the Committees bargaining position and the chair so declares
3. Return to Open Session at 6:30 PM
4. Approval of minutes
 - 4.1 Minutes of the School Committee meeting with the Advisory Committee held on March 19, 2025
 - 4.2 Minutes of the School Committee meeting with the Advisory Committee held on March 20, 2025
 - 4.3 Minutes of the School Committee meeting held on March 24, 2025
 - 4.4 Minutes of the School Committee meeting with the Advisory Committee held on March 25, 2025
 - 4.5 Minutes of the School Committee meeting held on March 31, 2025

5. 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.

6. Superintendent's Report

7. Communications

- 7.1 Communications Received by the Superintendent
- 7.2 Student Communications
- 7.3 Other Communications

8. Unfinished Business

- 8.1 To receive an update to the FY26 Budget
- 8.2 To review proposed layoffs and act as appropriate

9. New Business

- 9.1 To introduce Dr. Christine Panarese as the newly appointed Executive Director of Student Services
- 9.2 To discuss a Side Letter Agreement with the Hingham Public Schools Bus/Van Drivers Union regarding collective bargaining and act as appropriate.
- 9.3 To receive an update of the 2025–2026 Calendar and act as appropriate
- 9.4 To discuss timeline for Hingham High School Principal
- 9.5 To approve grants and donations and act as appropriate
- 9.6 To approve surplus and act as appropriate

10. Subcommittee and Project Reports
Warrants Signed

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

12. Adjourn

Next School Committee Meetings:

Monday, April 28, 2025 at 6:30 PM – Town Meeting

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 at 6:30 PM- Town Meeting (if necessary)

This meeting is being held remotely/or in person as an alternate means of public access pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025 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.