

**PLYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Monday, November 4, 2024
11 LINCOLN STREET PLYMOUTH, MA 02360**

ROLL CALL: THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE:

- Ms. Michelle Badger-Chair, Mr. Luis Pizano-Vice Chair, Ms. Katherine Jackson-Secretary, Dr. James Sorensen, Mr. Robert Morgan, Ms. Vedna Lacombe-Heywood, and Ms. Ashley Shaw.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION WERE:

- Superintendent, Dr. Christopher Campbell, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Dr. Stacey Rogers, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Erik Cioffi, School Business Administrator, Dr. Adam Blaisdell.

1.0 Call to Order 7:00 PM

1.1 Ms. Badger called the School Committee Meeting to order.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Badger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

1.3 Land Acknowledgement-Ms. Jackson read the Land Acknowledgement.

"We acknowledge that we are meeting on the unceded ancestral homeland of Indigenous People whose enduring presence we humbly recognize. We honor the Wôpanâak People as the original stewards and the Herring Pond Wôpanâak as the surviving tribe indigenous to these lands. In our commitment to lifelong learning, we acknowledge historical injustices to the native people of this land and vow to educate ourselves, our community, and our students on the First Peoples and the hardships they endured. We offer this as a small, but essential, step towards building a culture of respect, truth, and accountability."

1.4 Convene to Executive Session

Mr. Pizano moved to go into Executive Session for collective bargaining discussions. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

**Convene to Executive Session Superintendent's Recommendation:
Convene to Executive Session**

2.0 Executive Session

2.1 Collective Bargaining

To discuss strategy concerning collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Committee and the chair so declares, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3), and take the necessary action(s). Superintendent's

Recommendation: The School Committee enters Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining where an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Committee, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3).

2.2 Reconvene to Open Session

Superintendent's Recommendation: Reconvene to Open Session

3.0 Comments from the General Public

3.1 There were no public comments.

4.0 School Committee Commendations

4.1 Plymouth South High School "Pink Out"

The School Committee will recognize Plymouth South High School for their donation to BID Plymouth after their "Pink Out" events. A total of \$1,206.59 was raised and donated. The event organizers would like to thank the staff, students, and school community for their incredible efforts.

A) Student Recognition

4.2 Top Math Participants for Summer Freckle Math

The School Committee presented Freckle awards to the Summer 2024 top-earning students.

5.0 Student Representative Reports

A) Plymouth North High School

5.1 Anna King - PNHS Student Representative

Anna reported on the happenings at PNHS.

B) Plymouth South High School

5.2 Lily Morse - PSHS Student Representative

Lily reported on the happenings at PSHS.

6.0 Program Updates

A) Program Directors

6.1 Facilities Director Update

Mr. Matt Durkee presented an annual review of the Facilities Department at Plymouth Public Schools.

The committee reviewed and thanked Mr. Durkee and his team for all that they do for the staff and students at Plymouth Public Schools.

7.0 Communications

A) Superintendent's Report

7.1 Reports and Proposals from the Superintendent

- Election Day: Teacher PD - Budget Media Series - Learning Walks: Invitations to Participate - VIPS Committee Meeting - MASC/MASC Panel Presentation - Mega Bowl: Unified Basketball - PCIS Literacy Night - FY26 Budget Development

B) Retirement Announcements

7.2 Retirements

Personnel Retirements Report

Mr. Cioff, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources shared one retirement. Ms Christine Freitas Special Education Administrative Assistant retired on October 24, 2024, after twenty-four years in the district.

Mr. Pizano on behalf of the School Committee thanked Ms. Fretias for her twenty-four years of service to the district.

8.0 Reports

A) Committee Member Reports

Ms. Heywood met with the Cape Cod Collaborative.

Ms. Badger attended the International Chorus Concert.

B) Plymouth Building Committee Reports

8.3 Mr. Morgan met with the Master Planning Committee. No report was given on the Building Committee.

Ms. Shaw stated that there is a survey for special education parents with IEPs to fill out. Information can be found on the district website.

C) Personnel Reports

8.4 Appointments, Leaves of Absence, and Resignations

Mr. Cioffi announced one certificated appointment, four resignations, twelve medical leaves, and one personal leave.

9.0 Budget

9.1 Budget Update

Dr. Blaisdell presented the committee with an update on the budget.

10.0 Unfinished and New Business

No new or unfinished business was reported.

11.0 Approval of Consent Agenda

12.0 Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

There were no items pulled from the Consent Agenda.

13.0 Adjournment

13.1 Chairperson's Adjournment

Ms. Badger adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm.