THE GLOUCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Program Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 30, 2026
GHS Library and via Zoom
32 Leslie O. Johnson Road, Gloucester, MA 01930
5:30 pm

Members Present
Laura Wiessen, Chairperson
Heather Dagle
Andrea Liacos

Administration Present
Amy Pasquarello, Superintendent

This meeting was conducted with the School Committee in person and the public participating in person and remotely via Zoom.

I. CALL TO ORDER - Chairperson Wiessen called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm

Effective August 16, 2023, the public is welcome to attend in person. Alternatively, the public may attend through the zoom link below. Meeting notice will reflect if the meeting is Zoom only. As the recent amendments to the open meeting law allows, the School Committee may continue to hold meetings remotely. Please note the in-person meeting will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the remote connection. If you are calling in on a phone, you can press Star 9 (*9) to request to speak. If you are watching on a computer or device, there is a "raise hand" button that you can tap or press to request to speak. Please use either of these options during oral communications to be recognized to speak.

II. REPORT DELIBERATIONS/DISCUSSION

A. School Committee Operating Protocols

Superintendent Pasquarello presented and the subcommittee reviewed and discussed the draft of the updated School Committee Operating Protocols making the following changes:

Paragraph two:

"The Gloucester Public School students will demonstrate growth in integrity and foundational knowledge, and build the skills necessary in problem-solving, communication, and collaboration to become productive citizens."

Paragraph three:

6th bullet:

- Members will come to meetings prepared (adding), "*if you have questions about the agenda."*

Paragraph five:

Remove 6th bullet "Presume positive intentions"

On a motion by Ms. Liacos, seconded by Ms. Dagle, it was unanimously

VOTED: To refer to the full School Committee the current draft of the School Committee Operating Protocols.

See below link to the meeting recording:
https://gloucester-ma-gov.zoom.us/rec/share/nC-4Bk6xg0ECrECJbcdOVzRlzZIRXQOF-oXPk_FYfmgpPiTPSZijPTIobzyz37UT.KQ9Gq69bIQPCmM5X

III. ADJOURNMENT - On a motion by Chairperson Wiessen, seconded by Ms. Liacos, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the Program Subcommittee meeting of September 30, 2026, at 5:57 pm.

All reference documents and reports are filed in the Superintendent's office. Also, the recording of this meeting can be found on the district's website.

Stephanie Delisi
Recording Secretary