



METHUEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Branch Street Administration Building
School Committee Meeting

Monday, March 9, 2026
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Methuen High School
Media Center

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CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call - Attendance

Acceptance of the Agenda

1. [Flag Salute](#) - Marsh

2. Participation by Others

- a. [SOAR Award](#) - World Language
- b. Student Representative Update
- c. Staff Recognition - Vanessa Guthrie, Media Specialist
- d. Public Participation

3. Approval of Minutes- [January 28, 2026](#), [February 9, 2026](#)

4. Staff Reports

- a. Acting Superintendent Update- [Memo](#)
- b. Maintenance/Custodial Update- [Memo](#)
- c. Student Enrollment Data [Report](#)
- d. Assistant Superintendent of Student Services - [Memo](#)
- e. Director of Human Resources Staffing [Report](#)
- f. MPS Discipline [Report](#)

5. Old Business and Other Pending Matters

- a. [Methuen Public Schools Reconsideration of Classroom Library and Media Center Materials Procedure \(Secretary Donovan-Grassi\)- Second Read](#)

6. New Business

7. Finance and Operations

- a. Expenditure Report - [Monthly](#)
- b. Revolving Funds Report - [Monthly](#)

- c. Grants Report – [Monthly](#)
- d. Student Activity Accounts – Monthly
[TENNEY](#) [TIMONY](#) [CGS](#) [MARSH](#) [MHS](#)
- e. Food Services [Report/Memo](#)
- f. Warrants Approved Since Last Meeting:
 - 1. [February 6, 2026](#)
 - 2. [February 13, 2026](#)
 - 3. [February 20, 2026](#)
- g. Contract Awards
- h. [Transfer of FY26 funds](#) - Approval

8. Notification of Appointments and Other Personnel Matters

9. Business from the Committee

10. Executive Session

- Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; Acting Superintendent contract

11. Approval of Acting Superintendent contract

12. Executive Session

- Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares; Custodian Negotiations

We will not reconvene after the executive session.

FUTURE DATES

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Policy Subcommittee Meeting
2:00 p.m., Acting Superintendent's office

Monday, March 23, 2026

School Committee Workshop Meeting
6:00 p.m., Methuen High School, Media Ctr.

Monday, April 13, 2026

School Committee Business Meeting
6:00 p.m., Methuen High School, Media Ctr.

Monday, April 27, 2026

School Committee Workshop Meeting
6:00 p.m., Methuen High School, Media Ctr.

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GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Here are the general rules for the Committee's Public Comment period:

1. Public Comment shall generally follow the opening of the meeting. The committee reserves the right to rearrange its agenda to accommodate scheduled presenters.
2. Any citizen wishing to speak before the Committee shall identify him/herself by name and address and shall speak for no longer than 5 minutes (per S.C. Policy BEDH). No citizen may speak more than once without permission of the Chair. All citizens shall speak to the full Committee through the Chair and shall not address individual members or administrators.
3. Individuals may address topics on the agenda, items specified for Public Comment, or items within the scope of responsibility of the School Committee. The Chair shall rule out of order any individual who fails to honor the guidelines or who addresses a matter inappropriate for Public Comment.