

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
PITTSFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, January 14, 2009**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Pittsfield High School**

**AGENDA**

- I. A. Call to Order
- B. Moment of Silence
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Roll Call
- II. A. Participation by the Public
- B. Participation by the School Committee
- C. Reports of Subcommittees
- III. Recommended Actions - Routine Matters
- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Acceptance of Personnel Report
- C. School Presentations
  - Stearns Elementary School

- IV. Information and Proposals
  - A. Report of Superintendent
  - B. Presentation on 2008-2009 English Language Learners Services
- V. Recommended Actions - Unfinished Business
  - A. None
- VI. Recommended Actions - New Business
  - A. Approval of Revised FY'10 Proposed Budget Calendar
  - B. Approval to Fund Co-Curricular Activities
- VII. Executive Session
  - A. Discussion of Item of Litigation
  - B. Discussion of Personnel Issue
- VIII. Future Business
  - A. Next Scheduled Meeting, Wednesday, January 28, 2009, 7:00 P.M. Pittsfield High School
- IX. Adjournment

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**Administrative Memorandum**

- I. A. Call to Order
- B. Moment of Silence
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Roll Call

- II. A. Participation by the Public
- B. Participation by the School Committee
- C. Report of Subcommittees

(See Enclosure No. 1)

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee approve the minutes of the Policy Subcommittee Meeting, as outlined in Enclosure No. 1.

- III. Recommended Actions - Routine Matters

- A. Approval of Minutes

(See Enclosure No. 2)

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee approve the minutes of December 17, 2008, as outlined in Enclosure No. 2 and the Executive Session minutes of December 17, 2008.

- B. Acceptance of Personnel Report

(See Enclosure No. 3)

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee accept the Personnel Report, as outlined in Enclosure No. 3.

- C. School Presentation
  - Stearns School

Stearns School Grade 2 students will be presenting their reflections on the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through writings and song under the direction of their teachers, Ms. Maryann Sherman and Ms. Donna Bell.

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee accept the Stearns School's presentation.

IV. Information and Proposals

- A. Report of Superintendent

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee accept Superintendent Eberwein's report.

- B. Presentation on the English Language Learner Services for the Pittsfield Public Schools FY2008-2009 (See Enclosure No. 4A and 4B)

Ms. Virginia Guglielmo-Steels, ELL Coordinator will provide an overview on the English Language Learners Services and current data.

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee accept the presentation on the English Language Learners Services, as presented by Ms. Guglielmo-Steels and outlined in Enclosure No. 4A and 4B.

V. Recommended Actions – Unfinished Business

- A. None

VI. Recommended Actions – New Business

- A. Approval of Revised FY'10 Budget Calendar (See Enclosure No. 5)

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee approve the Revised FY'10 School System Budget Calendar, as outlined in Enclosure No. 5.

- B. Approval to Fund Co-Curricular Activities (See Enclosure No. 6)

The teachers' collective bargaining agreement (Article 12 §.A.3) allows building principals, with concurrence of the Superintendent, to finance an additional co-curricular activity when an unfilled co-curricular position provides funds to do so. The School Committee is approached annually by high school principals with requests to approve re-allocating co-curricular funds for that particular school year.

Taconic High School Principal, Douglas McNally, has requested that the co-curricular activities, identified in Enclosure No.6 as new, replace the co-curricular activities in that same enclosure identified as inactive for the 2008-09 school year. The Superintendent of School concurs with the recommendation of the Principal and recommends that the School Committee approve Mr. McNally's petition.

Recommended Action:

That the School Committee approve funding the alternate co-curricular activities, as outlined in Enclosure No. 6.

VII. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Item of Litigation

B. Discussion of Personnel Issue

VIII. Future Business

A. Next meeting, a Committee of the Whole, is scheduled for Wednesday, January 28, 2009, 7:00 P.M., Pittsfield High School

IX. Adjournment