



# Lowell Public School Committee

## *Regular Meeting Agenda*

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**Date:** August 15, 2018

**Time:** 6:30PM

**Location:** City Council Chamber, 375  
Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA  
01852

1. **SALUTE TO FLAG**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 3.1. Introduction Of New Administrators

Documents:

[INTRODUCTION OF NEW ADMINISTRATORS.PDF](#)

4. **MINUTES**

- 4.1. Minutes:

Approval of the Minutes of the regularly scheduled Lowell School Committee Meeting of Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Documents:

[LSC MINUTES - JULY 18, 2018.PDF](#)

4.II. Minutes Of The Special Meeting:

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lowell School Committee Meeting of Wednesday, July 25, 2018.

Documents:

[LSC SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - JULY 25, 2018.PDF](#)

4.III. Minutes Of The Special Meeting

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lowell School Committee Meeting of Tuesday, July 31, 2018.

Documents:

[LSC SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - JULY 31, 2018.PDF](#)

4.IV. Minutes Of The Special Meeting

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lowell School Committee Meeting of Wednesday, August 8, 2018.

Documents:

[LSC SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - AUGUST 8, 2018.PDF](#)

5. **PERMISSION TO ENTER**

5.I. Permission To Enter: August 15, 2018

Documents:

[PERMISSION TO ENTER - AUGUST 15, 2018.PDF](#)

6. **MEMORIALS**

- 6.I. Carol Ann Reidy, Mother-In-Law Of Jeff Gwiazda, Coordinator Of Mathematics For Lowell Public Schools.

7. **MOTIONS**

7.I. [By Gerard Nutter]:

Mayor convene "Special Meeting" between School And City Council Finance subcommittee with the Supt. and CITY MANGER the week of Sept. 10th to finalize the Maintenance of Effort Agreement for the 2018/2019

School Year and to discuss the need for the City of Lowell to properly fully fund transportation per MA. State Law and cease decreasing the city's total Cash contribution it provides the schools.

7.II. [By Gerard Nutter]:

Request a Joint meeting of the Finance and Facility subcommittee's to review existing job descriptions for "custodians" and consider the need to privatize school building maintenance (painting, minor plumbing, ceiling tile replacements etc.) and look at potential cost versus adequately maintaining these buildings for our students.

7.III. [By Gerard Nutter]:

Request Superintendent and Mayor ask the City Manager to fully staff each fire station located near city schools to insure our students safety until proper repairs have been made especially in light of Collins Center Report to the City which states "Given nationwide concerns about school safety at the present time, it is unacceptable to have doors that do not lock properly and/or emergency exit doors that do not open or are otherwise nonfunctional."

7.IV. [By Andy Descoteaux And Gerry Nutter]:

Request that the Facilities, School Buildings and Transportation Subcommittee meet to come up with a priority list of school repairs and improvements that are currently needed in our schools. Richard Underwood should be in attendance for this meeting.

7.V. [By Andy Descoteaux And Gerry Nutter]:

Request that the Superintendent arrange a joint meeting of the Facilities Subcommittees of the City Council and School Committees to discuss these priorities and to set in motion, the paperwork that will seek assistance for these repairs and improvements from the MSBA.

8. **SUBCOMMITTEES**

8.I. Personnel Subcommittee:  
Report and Approval of the Meeting of Wednesday,  
August 8, 2018 [Connie Martin, Chairperson]

Documents:

[PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING - AUGUST 8, 2018.PDF](#)

9. **REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

9.I. Budget Update

Documents:

[08.15.18 BUDGET UPDATE.PDF](#)

9.II. Lowell High Pool Update

Documents:

[COVER PAGE LHS POOL UPDATE.PDF](#)  
[POOL ALTERNATIVES FACT SHEET.PDF](#)  
[POOL AND CARDIO ROOM CLOSURE II.PDF](#)  
[LOWELLHSSWIM.PDF](#)

9.III. Lowell High School Schedule Update

Documents:

[LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE REPORT.PDF](#)

9.IV. Director Of Human Resources Position Update

Documents:

[HUMAN RESOURCES POSITION UPDATE.PDF](#)

9.V. Report On Motions

Documents:

[ACTION TO TAKE ON REPORT MOTIONS.PDF](#)  
[REPORT MOTIONS ON AGENDA AUGUST 15, 2018.PDF](#)

9.VI. Enrollment Figures

Documents:

[ENROLLMENT 7.27.18.PDF](#)  
[ENROLLMENT CHANGES.PDF](#)

9.VII. List Of Eligible Teachers

Documents:

[2018 15 AUGUST.PDF](#)

### 9.VIII. Personnel Report

Documents:

[2018 AUGUST 15 PERSONNEL REPORT.PDF](#)

### 9.IX. Home Education

Documents:

[HOME SCHOOLING REQUEST SCH COMM 8-15-18.PDF](#)

## 10. **NEW BUSINESS**

### 10.I. Consideration Of Employees From Priority List

Documents:

[PRIORITY LIST COVER LETTER.PDF](#)  
[BUDGET PRIORITY LIST.PDF](#)

### 10.II. STEM Academy @ Rogers Time Change

Documents:

[STEM HOURS CHANGE.PDF](#)

### 10.III. Vote To Accept A Donation To Day School And The FRC From Daly Group Totaling 32,000.

Documents:

[DONATION COVER LETTER.PDF](#)  
[PROPERTY LIST.PDF](#)

## 11. **CONVENTION/CONFERENCE REQUESTS**

### 11.I. Trip- New York

Permission for Morey School Literacy Specialist, Patricia Shepherd, Anne Conant and Kerri Ann Unger, First Grade Teachers to attend the Units of Study in Phonics Institute at Teachers College in New York, NY from Monday, August 20, 2018 through Wednesday, August 22, 2018. The total cost of the Institute is \$2,500 and will be paid by the Morey School Professional Development account. No

substitute teacher needed.

Documents:

[LHS YONKERS, NY.PDF](#)

#### 11.II. LHS- Hanover, NH

Permission for 30 Student Athletes, along with their coaches: Mary Beth Finn, Nate Kraft, Tim Patterson and Scott Ouellet, to attend the MIAA sanctioned Dartmouth College Relays at Leverone Field House in Hanover, NH from Friday, January 4, 2019 through Saturday, January 5, 2019. The cost of \$500 entry fees and \$315 for 3 substitute teachers will be paid by the LHS Athletic Department.

Documents:

[LHS HANOVER, NH.PDF](#)

#### 11.III. LHS-Cross Country

The LHS Boys' and Girls' Cross Country teams [28], along with their coaches: Mary Beth Finn, Nate Kraft, Tim Patterson and Scott Ouellet, to travel to the Manhattan College Invitation in Yonkers, NY from Friday, October 12 through Saturday, October 13, 2018. The cost of \$225 for entry fees in addition to \$210 for two substitute teachers will be paid by the LHS Athletic Department.

Documents:

[LHS YONKERS, NY.PDF](#)

#### 11.IV. LHS- MIAA

Permission for 28 Lowell High School Students, along with their coaches: Mary Beth Finn, Nate Kraft, Tim Patterson and Scott Ouellet, to attend the MIAA All-State Cross Country Championship in Northfield, MA from Friday,

November 16th through Saturday, November 17, 2018.  
There is no cost for attending this conference. The total cost of \$1,500 for hotel accommodations and the \$210 for two substitute teachers will be paid by the LHS Athletic Department.

Documents:

[LHS NORTHFIELD, MA.PDF](#)

## 12. **COMMUNICATIONS**

### 12.I. Invitation To Lowell Day School Grand Opening

Documents:

[LPS INVITATION TO DAY SCHOOL OPENING.PDF](#)

## 13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### 13.I. Executive Session:

Discussion regarding review of communications from Superintendent Khelfaoui's attorney, and the proposed Notice of Contract Termination which involve (i) strategy regarding contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, and (ii) litigation strategy, public discussion of which may detrimentally affect the School Committee's position.

## 14. **ADJOURNMENT**