

# AVON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## THE MISSION STATEMENT:

To educate all students to be lifelong learners and responsible citizens in a global society.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

*March 27, 2024*

Regular School Committee Meeting 5:30 AMHS Media Center/ Zoom

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AVON SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Tracy Sheehan, Chair  
Anne Hagberg, Vice-Chair  
Maria Piccirilli, Secretary  
Claudia Lucia, Member  
Paul Chapman, Member

STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Brynn Gaynor and Gianna Rosa

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Christine Godino

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- I. CALL TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:
  - II. THE SIGNING OF WARRANT/PAYROLL:
  - III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

#### **IV. INFORMATION:**

- A.** Student Advisory Update
- B.** Town Hall Feasibility Committee Open House Update-Tracy Sheehan
- C.** Superintendent Report
- D.** Early College Update-Shawn Desmond

#### **V. FINANCIALS**

#### **VI. ACTION ITEMS:**

- A.** A request to approve line item transfers. Vote Item.
- B.** A request to approve the Student Opportunity Act. Vote Item.
- C.** A request to approve Sections A & B of the School Committee Policy Manual in form. Vote Item.
- D.** Having convened in an open meeting on March 27, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the Avon School Committee of The Avon Public Schools, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form April 2024 for the Ralph D. Butler Elementary School located at 1 Patrick Clark Drive Avon, Ma which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future:

##### Priority 2- Elimination of existing severe overcrowding

- There is on shared inadequate space that is an office for a physical therapist, occupational therapist, an art teacher, and a computer teacher. That classroom also houses equipment for physical and occupational therapy (a swing, therapy balls etc.). The art and computer teachers travel to classroom with all materials on carts.
- There is one shared inadequate space for a Title I teacher and special educator where services for students are provided.
- There is one shared inadequate space for two English learner teachers and one speech and language therapist where services for students are provided.
- The music teacher teaches some classes on the stage which in in the cafeteria/auditorium. During lunch the music teacher travels on a cart to classrooms.
- Due to inadequate space ACCESS testing (mandated for English learners) took place in the cafeteria revolving around lunch times.

##### Priority 5- Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility.

- The modular's were added to the Butler elementary in 2004. Modular's are designed to last approximately 20 years.
- The roof leaks in the modular wing. Roof was replaced on the main building only in 2011.
- Asbestos tile remains in a large percentage of the main building. Popcorn asbestos ceilings remain in the main building.
- Windows in the main hallway are leaking. Half were replaced in 2004 and the remainder were replaced in 2007.

##### Priority 7- Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

- There is no library which is a necessary space in an elementary school to increase reading skills, research skills, and open students minds to new ideas.
- No computer room, no music room and no art room limit educational programming in those areas.

- There are no conference rooms. Family engagement and meeting with families is critical. Yearly special education meetings are required.
- There is no private exam space in the nurse's office.
- There are no conference rooms.

; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Avon Public Schools to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. Vote Item.

**VII. OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. Subcommittees:
- B. Budget Subcommittee: FY24, FY25
- C. Personnel Subcommittee:
- D. Maintenance Subcommittee:
- E. Policy Subcommittee:
  - a. Policy Manual Review with MASC
- F. Insurance Subcommittee:

**VIII. VOTE ON THE MINUTES OF:**

- A. Regular School Committee minutes of March 13, 2024

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Any business not reasonably anticipated by the Chair.

**X. UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- A. Policy Subcommittee Meeting at 5:45pm, Thursday, March 28, 2024-Zoom
- B. Regular School Committee Meeting and Budget Hearing at 5:30pm Wednesday, April 10, 2024
- C. Annual Town Meeting at 6pm Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at AMHS
- D. Regular School Committee Meeting at 5:30pm Wednesday, May 15, 2024

**XI. ADJOURN:**