



MEETING OF THE SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 8, 2024

LOCATION

City Hall, 36 Court St. Rm.220

AGENDA

Executive Session

5:00 PM

1. Discuss strategy related to the Student Assignment Services (UFCW) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.
2. Discuss strategy related to the Paraprofessionals (AFT) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.
3. Discuss strategy related to the Clerks (AFSCME) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.
4. Discuss strategy related to the Custodians (SASCE) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.
5. Discuss strategy related to the Security Guards ((UFCW) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.
6. Discuss strategy related to the Tradesmen (SPBTA) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.
7. Discuss strategy related to the Teachers (SEA) collective bargaining because an open meeting could have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.

The Committee will return to Open Session.

Student Advisory Speakers

6:00 PM

Regular Session

6:30 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING – ROLL CALL**
 - A. Invocation**
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance**

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II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2024 School Committee Regular Session.

III. VOTING ITEMS:

A. Approve the projects for submittal to the MSBA for the 2024 Statements of Interest as stated below:

A1. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Samuel Bowles School located at 24 Bowles Park, Springfield, 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 #5, for the renovation and replacement of the roofing system of the school building, to ensure the health and the safety of the school children and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A2. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Central High School located at 1840 Roosevelt Avenue, Springfield, 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 #5, for the installation of new windows and exterior doors under the Accelerated Repair Program; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A3. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Chestnut Middle School located at 355 Plainfield Street, Springfield, 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 #5, for the replacement and upgrade to the heating system and to place the school onto an automated web-based energy management system to ensure the health and safety of the school children and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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A4. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated March 1, 2024 for the High School of Commerce located at 415 State Street, Springfield, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and he priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future Priority #5, for the renovation and replacement of the roofing system of the school building, to ensure the health and the safety of the school children and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A5. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Glenwood School located at 50 Morison Terrace, Springfield, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and he priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future Priority #5, for the renovation and replacement of the roofing system of the school building, to ensure the health and the safety of the school children and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A6. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Indian Orchard Elementary located at 95 Milton Street, Springfield, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and he priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future Priority #5, for the renovation and replacement of the roofing system of the school building, to ensure the health and the safety of the school children and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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A7. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Milton Bradley School located at 22 Mulberry Street, Springfield, 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 #5, for the installation of new windows and exterior doors under the Accelerated Repair Program; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A8. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Mary O. Pottenger School located at 1435 Carew Street, Springfield, 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 #5, for the installation of new windows and exterior doors under the Accelerated Repair Program; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A9. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Rebecca Johnson School located at 55 Catharine Street, Springfield, 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 #5, for the installation of new windows and exterior doors under the Accelerated Repair Program and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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A10. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated March 1, 2024 for the Sumner Avenue School located at 45 Sumner Avenue, Springfield, 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 #5, for the renovation and replacement of the roofing system of the school building, to ensure the health and the safety of the school children and to decrease the energy related costs associated with the school building; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A11. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated April 12, 2024 for the Washington School located at 141 Washington Street, Springfield, 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 #7, for the replacement of an obsolete school facility to better serve the Springfield students; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A12. Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 8, 2024, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of Springfield, 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 dated April 12, 2024 for the White Street School located at 300 White Street, Springfield, 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 #7, for the replacement of an obsolete school facility to better serve the Springfield students; 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 City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

B. VOTE: to ratify the School Committee Chair's designation of School Committee Vice-Chair Gonzalez, members Gresham, and Collins as the ad hoc Superintendent Selection Advisory Committee.

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IV. INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. German Gerena Community School Update
- B. Strategic Plan/Portrait of a Graduate Update

V. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Student and Parent Concerns (Ms. Gresham, Chair)
- B. Buildings and Maintenance Committee (Mr. Collins, Chair)
- C. Legislative and Contracts Committee (Ms. Monroe-Naylor, Chair)
- D. Curriculum and Programs Committee (Ms. Hurst, Chair)
- E. Budget and Finance Committee (Mr. Collins, Chair)
- F. Vocational Education Committee (Atty. Murphy, Chair)
- G. Technology Committee (Mr. Joesiah Gonzalez, Chair)
- H. School Safety Committee (Ms. Gresham, Chair)
- I. Diversity/Equity/Inclusion (Ms. Hurst, Chair)

VI. REPORT OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE - Patience Naylor

VII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS