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SHAWSHEEN VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOOL

DISTRICT

100 Cook Street
Billerica, MA 01821

Superintendent Search Subcommittee

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

1. Roll Call, 6:00 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes of September 8, 2021
3. Public Comment
4. Selection of Final Four Members of the Search Subcommittee
5. Adjourn

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All regular and special meetings of the School Committee shall be open to the public. Executive sessions will be held only as prescribed by the Statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The School Committee desires citizens of the District to attend its meetings so that they may become better acquainted with the operations and the programs of our local public schools. In addition, the Committee would like the opportunity to hear the wishes and ideas of the public.

In order that all citizens who wish to be heard before the Committee have a chance and to ensure the ability of the Committee to conduct the District's business in an orderly manner, the following rules and procedures are adopted:

1. As part of each regularly scheduled School Committee meeting, individuals or group representatives will be invited to address the Committee. The length of the public participation segment will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes unless otherwise specified on the agenda.
2. Speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes to present their material. The presiding Chairperson may permit extension of this time limit.
3. Individuals who wish to speak during the Public Comment section must register to speak prior to the beginning of the meeting. Individuals may register either via a sign-up sheet available in the meeting room or via an email to either the Chairperson or the Superintendent-Director, providing their name, address and which topic(s) listed on the School Committee agenda for that meeting about which they wish to speak. Individuals who wish to speak about an item or issue not on the agenda must email either the Chairperson or the Superintendent-Director at least 48-hours prior to the scheduled start of the meeting, providing their name, address and topic about which they wish to speak.
4. Improper conduct and remarks will not be allowed. Defamatory or abusive remarks are always out of order. If a speaker persists in improper conduct or remarks, the Chairperson may terminate that individual's privilege of address.
5. All remarks will be addressed through the Chairperson of the meeting.
6. Speakers may offer such objective criticisms of the school operations and programs as concern them, but in public session the Committee will not hear personal complaints of school personnel nor against any member of the school community. Under most circumstances, administrative channels are the proper means for disposition of legitimate complaints involving staff members.
7. Written comments longer than three (3) minutes may be presented to the Committee before or after the meeting for the Committee members' review and consideration at an appropriate time.

SOURCE: MASC

Approved by the School Committee, January 26, 2021