**NEW SALEM/WENDELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, December 7, 2023**

**Swift River School – 7:00 p.m.**

**The New Salem/Wendell School Committee recognizes that some people who observe Channukah might be unable to attend this public meeting. If anyone who would like to be heard by school committee but is unable to attend the December meeting, please contact the chair, Carla Halpern, at halpern@swiftriverschool.org.**

“Continue to stimulate learning systems that realize that meaning is made up of people doing things together. That is the heart of education.” -- Richard Baldwin

**AGENDA**

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Public Hearings**
3. **Warrants – Record in minutes with numbers**
   * **Gifts: Acceptance Vote if needed**
   * **Grants: Acceptance Vote** 
     + **IDEA FC240 – $53,762**
     + **IDEA FC262 - $3,060**
     + **TITLE I FC305 – $28,370**
     + **TITLE IIA FC140 – $4,149**
     + **TITLE IV FC309 - $10,000**
4. **Superintendent’s Report**
5. **Director of Finance and Operations Report \***
   * **FY25 Draft Budget**

**NEXT MEETING**

**THURSDAY**

**JANUARY 4, 2024**

1. **Principal’s Report**
2. **Committee Reports**
   * **Report from Mahar Representatives**
   * **Collaborative for Education Services**
   * **Massachusetts Association of School Committees**
   * **Budget and Personnel – none at this time**
   * **Joint Supervisory** 
     + **Next Meeting – January 22, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.**
3. **December Items**
   * **Policy Update and Review:**

**First Reading on:**

* JH – Student Absences and Excuses\*
* ACA – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex\*
* AC-R – Nondiscrimination Policy including Harassment and Retaliation\*

**Second Reading, First Vote on:**

* AA-1 Regional School District Legal Status\*
* CHA/CHC Development and Dissemination of Procedures\*
* BDFA-E – School Improvement Plan\*
* BDFA – School Councils\*

**First Vote on Deletion of Policy:**

* + JC – Student Attendance Policy\*
  + **Next Meeting Date – January 4, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.**
  + **New Salem/Wendell Policy Committee – January 4, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.**

1. **Approval of Minutes:**
   * **November 2, 2023\***
2. **Executive Session** 
   * **In accordance with Open Meeting Law (Chapter 30A Section 21 (a), move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation and possibly to return to open session for a vote**
3. **Adjournment**