



**Georgetown School Committee**  
**Thursday, October 10, 2019 6:30PM**  
**Town Hall 3rd Floor Meeting Room**  
**Regular Session Minutes**

**Barbie Linares, Chairman**  
**Michael Hinchliffe, Vice Chairman**  
**Cheryl Lachendro, Clerk**  
**Pamela Lundquist**  
**Suzanne MacDonald**

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**In Attendance:**

Barbie Linares	Superintendent Jacobs	Dan Richards
Michael Hinchliffe	Suzanne Sutherland	Margaret Maher
Cheryl Lachendro	Jack Tiano	
Pamela Lundquist	Collin MacDonald	
Suzanne MacDonald		

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Chairman Linares called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Call To Order:**

Barbie Linares - present  
Michael Hinchliffe – present  
Suzanne MacDonald – present  
Cheryl Lachendro - present  
Pamela Lundquist – present

**Consent Agenda**

Chairman Linares read the items included in the Consent Agenda for October 10, 2019, 2019 which were the Regular Session Minutes of 9/26/19, Budget & Finance Subcommittee Minutes of 9/11/19 and Acceptance of Warrants ##14P20 & #15V20.

**MOTION:** Pam Lundquist (C. Lachendro second) to approve the consent agenda as presented. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

**Student rep:**

The student rep, Olivia Billington, came before the Committee to give an update on events at the Middle High School. She announced that both girls and boys varsity soccer had won their games and golf had won the tournament. Homecoming Dance will be Friday night after the football game from 8:00 pm – 10:30 pm. They are looking for donations of water for the dance. The play will be Wizard of Oz this year. Auditions will take place at the end of October and rehearsal will begin around Thanksgiving.

**Audiences**

c) Other

Approval of Model UN Conference

Advisor Sandra Schwarzkopf has submitted a request to take the students in the Model UN Club on a trip to Boston to attend the EagleMUNC from Friday March 20-22, 2020.

**MOTION:** Cheryl Lachendro (S. MacDonald second) to approve the overnight field trip to Boston from March 20-22, 2020 for the Model UN Club. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

#### Approval of DECA State Conference

Liz Marchetti is the new DECA Advisor and she is requesting permission to take the DECA students who qualify at Districts to Boston for the State competition from February 27- 29, 2020. The students will compete at the Marriott Copley Boston and the Hynes Convention Center.

**MOTION:** Suzanne MacDonald (M. Hinchliffe second) to approve the overnight field trip for the DECA students to compete in the State competition in to Boston from February 27-29, 2020. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

#### Approval of DECA ICDC Competition

The DECA National Conference is in Nashville, TN in late April/early May and Liz Marchetti is asking permission to take the DECA students that qualify to this conference. It is being held from April 29-May 2, 2020.

**MOTION:** Pam Lundquist (S. MacDonald second) to approve the overnight field trip for the DECA students to compete in the national competition in Nashville, TN from April 29-May 2, 2020. So voted (4-0). Motion carried.

### **Administrative Reports**

#### c) Department Reports

MCAS Accountability System - Collin MacDonald, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Collin MacDonald came before the Committee to present on the MCAS accountability information we recently received. The good news is that our district was not identified for any intervention or assistance. Mr. MacDonald explained that all grades have converted to iPad test taking, therefore, there will not be any more paper testing. There will be a presentation on the MCAS results from last spring which most of the accountability ratings are built from at the October 24<sup>th</sup> School Committee meeting.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

Safety – Member Lachendro gave an update of what was discussed at the last Safety meeting. There has been concern regarding student behavior on the buses, but a plan is in place which should help with the behavior. She added that the buses are fairly full, but not overcrowded. She also announced that the SRO Officer Britton has started a Criminal Justice Club at the MHS and has been well attended by the students.

### **New Business**

#### a) Fall Town Meeting Warrant for Special Education Reserve Fund

Superintendent Jacobs explained to the Committee that there will be a warrant article at the fall Town meeting on October 28th that will establish a Special Education Reserve fund. If approved at Town meeting, formal discussions will begin with the School Committee, the Finance and Advisory Board and the Board of Selectmen to establish and agree to the logistics of how this reserve account will work.

**MOTION:** Michael Hinchliffe (S. MacDonald second) to approve the establishment of a Special Education Reserve Account, as presented. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

#### b) Home School Student Approval Request

Director of Student Services Jack Tiano is requesting the approval of the list of students who will be homeschooled this year. Mr. Tiano has reviewed and approved their homeschool plans.

**MOTION:** Cheryl Lachendro (M. Hinchliffe second) to approve the list the students who will be homeschooled this year as recommended by the Director of Student Services, Jack Tiano. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

c) Approval of Comedy Club Stipend

Superintendent Jacobs explained that the Comedy Club began last year and the standard stipend for a pilot club is \$600. Club Advisor Mike Murphy will continue the Club this year and the recommendation is to approve a stipend of \$1,412.00.

**MOTION:** Suzanne MacDonald (C. Lachendro second) to approve a stipend of \$1,412.00 for the Advisor of the Comedy Club at GMHS. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

d) Approval of Irish Club Stipend

Superintendent Jacobs announced that the Irish Club will continue for the second year with Mary Hayes as the Advisor. The recommendation is to approve a stipend of \$1,412.00.

**MOTION:** Pam Lundquist (M. Hinchliffe second) to approve a stipend of \$1,412.00 for the Advisor of the Irish Club. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

e) Approval of Amnesty International Club Stipend

Superintendent Jacobs explained to the Committee there were several new clubs proposed at the Club Fair this past fall. Since the Amnesty International Club will be a new club this year, a \$600 stipend has been recommended.

**MOTION:** Suzanne MacDonald (P. Lundquist second) to approve a stipend of \$600 for the Advisor of the Amnesty International Club stipend at GMHS. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

f) Approval of Journalism Club Stipend

Superintendent Jacobs explained that since Journalism is an English elective and are assigned to write and publish the school newspaper, the Journalism Club that will operate after school and will allow additional students who could not fit the course into their schedule to participate in creating publications for the school. Since this is a first year pilot club, the proposed stipend will be \$600.

**MOTION:** Michael Hinchliffe (C. Lachendro second) to approve a stipend of \$600 for the Advisor of the Journalism Club at GMHS. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

g) Approval of GSA Club Stipend

The school does not currently have a Gender Sexuality Alliance Club and the students have requested that one be offered. The proposed stipend is \$600 for this first year pilot club.

**MOTION:** Cheryl Lachendro (M. Hinchliffe second) to approve a stipend of \$600 for the Advisor of the GSA Club at GMHS. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

h) Approval of Friends of Rachel Club Stipend

Superintendent Jacobs explained that GMSH will be working with the PTA to start of Friends of Rachel program. For more information regarding this program, please see [rachelschallenge.org/aboutus](http://rachelschallenge.org/aboutus). The stipend for this first year pilot after school club will be \$600.

**MOTION:** Pam Lundquist (S. MacDonald second) to approve a stipend of \$600 for the Advisor of the Friends of Rachel Club at GMHS. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

i) Approval of Peer Mediation Club Stipend

The MHS is starting a peer mediation program in the middle. The proposed stipend for this first year pilot club is \$600.

**MOTION:** C. Lachendro (M. Hinchliffe second) to approve a stipend of \$600 for the Advisor for the Peer Mediation Program at the middle school. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

**MOTION:** Cheryl Lachendro (M. Hinchliffe second) motion to adjourn at 8:24PM. So voted (5-0). Motion carried.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Weiss, School Committee Secretary*