

CITY OF HOLYOKE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE AGENDA**

**DATE:** MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009  
**TIME:** 7:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** Fifield Community Room Dean Technical High School, 1045 Main Street

1. **CALL TO ORDER ~ ROLL CALL ~ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION\***
3. **COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS**
  - a. **Student Reports**
  - b. **Superintendent's Communications**
    - **MSBA Statement of Interest Update**
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. **Reports of Committees**
    - Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee of October 19, 2009 (pages 1-3)  
*RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee vote to endorse the recommendations for 3 positions (1 art, 1 instrumental music and either .5 or 1 violin teacher) and the revised staffing plan presented by the arts committee, with a referral to Finance for funding.*
    - Finance Subcommittee of November 2, 2009 (verbal)
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - a. **Superintendent Search – Communication from Commissioner Mitchell D. Chester** (pages 5-6)
  - b. **Response to Council Request for Information** (pages 7-16)
  - c.
6. **PERSONNEL**
  - a. **Appointments** (pages 17-19)

*RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee vote to receive the appointments.*

b. **Retirements** (page 21)

*RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee vote to receive the retirements.*

c. **Resignations** (page 22)

*RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee vote to receive the resignations.*

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT**

\*The Holyoke Public Schools makes available a public discussion period for persons in the audience to address the Committee on specific agenda items. In order to hear as many speakers as possible, the Committee asks individuals to continue their remarks to two (2) minutes. Any person wishing to submit longer testimony should give copies to the Superintendent before the meeting so that it may be distributed to Committee members. The speaker can then summarize this testimony at the meeting within the two (2) minute time period. Persons wishing to speak should register with the Superintendent immediately before the meeting begins. Individuals who request specific items to be included on the Committee's agenda should mail a written request fifteen (15) days in advance of a Committee meeting date to the Superintendent of Schools, 57 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA 01040.