

Ipswich School Committee

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

MS/HS Cafeteria

134 High Street, Ipswich

6:00 PM

AGENDA

- Call to order
 - 6:00 PM
 - Present: Brian Blake (BB), Jen Donahue (JD), Kate Eliot (KE), Dianna Freehan (DF), Mat Perry (MP), Haley Rist (HR), Sasha Sopic (SS), Tom Markham (TM)
- Public comments
 - Jamie Fay, Finance Committee Member (JF)- wishing to share comments on Article 20 (to be heard during next agenda item)
- Review of and potential update on positions on Articles
 - KE: recommends all Articles with the following exceptions: 2- RATM, 17- no position, 19- do not recommend, 20- RATM
 - HR: 7- recommends
 - Review of School Committee Positions: support all Articles 7-0 with the following exceptions: 2- RATM, 17- no position, 18- 6-1, 19- 0-7, 20- RATM
 - Motion language from Citizen Petition Article 20 reviewed; Model School Program process reviewed; Motion by DF to recommend to amend at Town Meeting Article 20 Main Motion to “I, Haley Rist, School Committee Member, move to amend the main motion under this Article by substituting in its entirety the words “That town meeting express its desire that consideration be given to participation in the Model School Program in accordance with the Massachusetts School Building Authority Process.”” second by HR; further discussion regarding the options to take on Article/main motion language, including recommend, not recommend, postpone or amend- JF sharing alternative amendment language had been drafted as the result of the Finance Committee’s conditional support of the Article; language presented by DF captures the spirit of the Citizen Petition Article and is in accordance with the Massachusetts School Building Authority Process; passed 5-0, with one abstention
- Adjourn
 - Moved by SS, second by KE; passed 6-0
 - 6:20 PM