



# Town of Ashland

## MASSACHUSETTS

School Committee

Agenda

Monday, February 24, 2020

6:00 PM

David Mindess Elementary School – Cafeteria

90 Concord Street, Ashland, MA 01721

**School Committee**

Laurie Tosti, Chair,  
Marc Terry, Vice Chair  
Kathleen Bates, Secretary  
Erin Williams, Member  
Paul Kendall, Member

**School Administration**

Jim Adams, Superintendent  
Barbara Durand, Asst. Superintendent  
Paul Vieira, Assistant Superintendent

**Vision Statement**

*The Ashland Public Schools is a forward thinking district that cultivates the academic and social-emotional growth of each student through a supportive, collaborative, innovative and challenging environment. Students will develop into self-motivated, resilient, life-long learners, who embrace their role as responsible contributors to a global community.*

**Announce:** “This meeting (is/is not) being recorded by WACA cable TV.”

**Projected Time Line**

6:00 p.m.

6:05 p.m.

8:00 p.m. Adjournment

**Order of Business**

Open Session - Call to Order

Public Comment - Items of Interest to the Public (C, SA, O)

Administrative Items - Action and/or Information

1. Mindess School Building Design Update

See full School Committee Goals (C, SA, O, FR, and SP).

**School Committee Goals**

**Culture (C):** Strengthen the culture of inclusiveness that extends to not only students, but administration, town boards, committees and the community at large that nurtures our students. Mental health should be paramount in these policy decisions.

**Student Achievement (SA):** Continuously evaluate the current curriculum, resources and technology dedicated to improving student outcomes, closing achievement gaps, and supporting a 21st century education

**Operations Communication and Stakeholder Engagement (O):** Openly and effectively communicate the committee's goals, benchmarks and policies, to the community and select sitting members to serve in liaison positions that connect the committee personally to town wide initiatives

**Fiscal Responsibility (FR):** Be prudent supervisors of the district's financial resources, budget allocations, and union negotiations

**Strategic Plan (SP):** Support the Superintendent's development of a district strategic plan, ensuring alignment to the districts most pressing needs, and create an evaluation process against the plan. Ensure alignment of School Committee goals with the Superintendent's