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GIFTS AND GRANTS

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, chapter 71 §37A, the Nantucket School Committee may accept gifts and grants for educational purposes from federal, state, county, and municipal governments or agencies, charitable foundations, private corporations, and individuals, and expend such gifts and grants for such purposes. The School Committee will deposit such gifts and grants with the Town Treasurer, who will hold them in a separate account to be expended by the School Committee, without further appropriation by the Town.

The School Committee authorizes the Superintendent of the Nantucket Public Schools to accept such gifts and grants on behalf of the School Committee subject to School Committee endorsement at the next School Committee meeting, so long as the gifts or grants are for educational purposes, and the School Committee has previously accepted gifts and/or grants from the same or similar governmental, charitable, or private source and/or the School Committee has previously accepted gifts and/or grants for the same or similar purposes, and provided that such gifts and/or grants otherwise comply with the law. In exercising such authorization the Superintendent shall exercise his/her best judgment. The Superintendent, however, may not apply for, without first providing the School Committee with prior notice of such application, and may not accept any gift(s) or grant(s) the receipt of which may have the effect of conflicting with or changing existing School Committee policies or system curricula.

All competitive or other grants will be placed on the School Committee agenda for acceptance at the time the funding authority notifies the Nantucket Public Schools of the award of the grant. The Superintendent shall provide an annual report to the School Committee on the status and funding of all new or continuing grants.