



GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Committee Meeting, March 20, 2017, 6:30 P.M. Granby Jr./Sr. High School, Donna Gnatek Media Center MINUTES

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Mr. Emre Evren, Chairperson; Mr. James Pietras, Secretary; Ms. Jennifer Curran; Ms. Marie McCourt (absent); Ms. Deanne Payne-Rokowski; Ms. Anabel Evren (Student Representative)

ADMINISTRATION:

Ms. Sheryl Stanton, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Mark Chapulis, School Business Manager; Members of the Senior Leadership Team

GRANBY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE: Kristen Naglieri, GEA President

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 P.M.

II. Approval of Minutes:

A. February 27, 2017

MOTION: Ms. Curran moved, seconded by Ms. Payne-Rokowski, to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017 as presented.

VOTE: All in favor (4-0-0)

B. March 6, 2017

MOTION: Mr. Pietras moved, seconded by Ms. Payne-Rokowski, to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017 as presented.

VOTE: All in favor (3-0-1) (Abstain Ms. Curran)

III. Visitor's Comments:

Any citizen wishing to speak before the Committee must sign in with the Administrative Assistant prior to the opening of the Regular Session of the School Committee. The visitor will identify themselves by name and address and shall speak for no longer than three (3) minutes. (See Granby Public School Committee Policy BEDG).

A parent spoke regarding Dual Enrollment and the effect it will have on our students who are planning on attending HCC.

IV. Student Representative Report:

V. New Business:

A. Field trip request to Mystic Aquarium – June 6, 2017

MOTION: Mr. Pietras moved, seconded by Ms. Payne-Rokowski, to approve the field trip to Mystic Aquarium – June 6, 2017.

VOTE: All in favor (4-0-0)

VI. Old Business:

A. Strategic Plan and Review

Superintendent Stanton thanked Ms. McCourt for setting up for Representative Solomon Goldstein-Rose to visit the schools and meet with the principals, students and staff. She also read a thank you from Representative Goldstein-Rose.

The committee would like to have a joint meeting with area districts and collaborate and see if we can share our resources with one another. Superintendent Stanton advised that Officer White will be taking students to a Middle School Conference for Student Leaders and Advisors on March 29, 2017 at Greenfield Community College.

B. Budget FY2017

The Budget for FY17 is tight but we will be able to make it through the year if we are careful.

C. Budget FY2018

Mr. Chapulis advised that we will be locking in for oil this week. The bus contract is out for bid.

VII. Upcoming Business:

A. Policy:

Dual Enrollment

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Ms. Curran, to wave the first reading of the Dual Enrollment Policy.

VOTE: All in favor (4-0-0)

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Mr. Pietras, to approve the Dual Enrollment Policy as amended: Amended: (#4 – add sentence.) The classes of 2018 and 2019 will be exempt from this item.

VOTE: All in favor (4-0-0)

VIII. Standing Reports:

A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Stanton

Superintendent Stanton thanked Mr. Lukaskiewicz for his tireless effort in acquiring computer equipment for our labs. Computer based testing CBT for our middle school is to be held and he wasted no time in reaching out to his partners to update our lab to comply to DESE standards; we thank Mr. Kern's for his featured article in the Gazette on the advanced placement computer program; I would like to thank the DPW for their tireless effort with the storm last week; Kathleen Sullivan earned the MASS Award for Academic Excellence, she will be honored at Pathfinder Regional High School; Mr. Cavallo, Principal, Jr./Sr. High School will be leaving at the end of the school year. We extend our gratitude for his years of service to the students, families and staff of Granby. We wish him the best in his future endeavors.

B. Collaborative of Educational Services (CES)

Ms. Curran

C. West Street Building Committee

Mr. Pietras & Mr. Evren

D. Policy Subcommittee

Ms. McCourt & Mr. Evren

IX. Correspondence:

A. Minutes February 27, 2017 (Agenda item II.A)

B. Minutes March 6, 2017 (Agenda item II.A)

C. Strategic Plan Review and Alignment (Agenda item VI.A)

D. Budget FY2017 (Agenda item VI.B)

E. Budget FY2018 (Agenda item VI.C)

F. Dual Enrollment (Agenda item VII.A)

X. Vote to enter into Executive Session under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 30A, Section 21, Part (a)(3) to discuss strategy with regard to collective bargaining as doing so in an Open Session may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Committee. The Committee will not return to Open Session.

XI. Adjournment:

VOTE: Ms. Payne-Rokowski, aye; Ms. Curran, aye; Mr. Pietras, aye; Mr. Evren, aye, to adjourn the Regular Session at 9:17 P.M.

Granby Public Schools Mission Statement

Granby Public Schools provide a safe and creative environment that empowers all students to be critical thinkers, socially responsible citizens, and effective communicators.

Granby Public Schools Vision Statement

The Granby Public Schools' vision is to provide real-world learning experiences that prepare students for success in a diverse and global society.

Granby Public Schools Strategic Goals

Goal #1: Develop and implement (P)K-12 curricula, supported by authentic learning in all content areas.

Goal #2: Granby Public Schools leadership team will exemplify transparency and trustworthiness, and engage with all members of the school district and community.

Goal #3: Provide the necessary technology to support curricular needs.

Goal #4: Develop modern facilities that support authentic learning environments.

The Granby Public School Committee would like the opportunity to hear the wishes and ideas of the public. Therefore, the Committee has set aside a period of time at each School Committee meeting to hear from the public on issues that affect the school district and are within the scope of the Committee's responsibilities. Visitors wishing to address the School Committee must do so adhering to the guidelines and specifications as outlined in Granby Public School Policy BEDG.

A copy of the full policy can be found at www.granbypublicschoolsma.net or by contacting the Superintendent's office at 413-467-7193.

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[Per MGL Ch. 30A sect. 20(e) anyone wishing to video or audio record an open session of the school committee meeting must notify the Chairperson. We request such notification five (5) days prior to the meeting date.]

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Harrop,
Recording Secretary for the School Committee