



GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Committee Meeting

May 9, 2018, 6:30 P.M.

Granby Jr./SR. High School – Donna Gnatek Media Center

MINUTES

School Committee Meeting

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Mr. Emre Evren, Chairperson; Ms. Marie McCourt Secretary (resigned); Mr. Mike Simpson; Ms. Jennifer Curran; 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: Robbin Lamorder, GEA President

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 P.M.

II. 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).

III. Old Business:

A. Budget FY19 – Discussion and vote to approve the budget

Discussion: Mr. Evren: We will be discussing the same budget that was presented at the public hearing. We come with our budget and the town comes with the minimum required school spending + \$305,000 (from the override of 2005) and we are asked to explain where we are compared to that number. Discussion at the last joint meeting showed some positive changes in the conversations. We have a short term path to follow along with long term solutions. Our enrollment is up from the first of the year, there is more interest in our school district and school choice numbers are up.

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Ms. Curran to approve the FY19 LEA Budget in the amount of \$8,839,684. This is \$21,000 less than last years' budget and the remaining gap is also less than last years'.

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

Visitor's Comments:

Parents had heard news articles that had raised concerns regarding the budget and had attended the meeting hoping to have them cleared up, which they did.

Ms. LaMorder reminded the citizens of the town to come out and vote.

IV. Correspondence:

A. Budget FY19 (Agenda item III.A)

V. Adjournment:

VOTE: Ms. Curran moved, seconded by Mr. Simpson to adjourn the Regular Session at 7:22 P.M. All in favor.

There will not be an executive session.

- VI. 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.

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