



GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Committee Meeting

August 6, 2018

6:30 P.M.

Granby Jr./Sr. High School, Donna Gnatek Media Center
MINUTES

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Mr. Emre Evren, Chairperson; Ms. Deanne Payne-Rokowski, Vice-Chair; Mr. Mike Simpson; Ms. Jennifer Bartosz; Ms. Jennifer Curran; Ms. Jamie Jones (Student Representative)

ADMINISTRATION:

Ms. Sheryl Stanton, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Adam Tarquini, 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 6:33 P.M. All members were present.

Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes: July 9, 2018

B. Donations 20 laptops

MOTION: Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by Ms. Payne-Rokowski to approve the consent agenda.

VOTE: All in favor (5-0-0)

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. New Business:

A. Permission for the Superintendent to award bids during the summer.

B. Volleyball – Alison Jordan-Gagner

Discussion: Ms. Jordan-Gagner presented an overview regarding the Girls JV Volleyball team. It would be open to students in grades seven through twelve presently we have nine to ten girls that are interested in the sport. The sport would be played in the fall starting August 23rd. We will need to play two years as a JV team. We will play schools that are the same size as Granby.

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Ms. Bartosz to approve the formation of a JV Volleyball team.

VOTE: All in favor (5-0-0)

Discussion: Ms. Jordan-Gagner discussed Unified sports. The sport will be played during the fall. Teams play across Western MA and are partnered with Special Olympics. New schools will receive \$2,000 per school for the first year, \$1,000 for the second year and self-sustaining the third year. This year we will be hosting Special Olympics in October.

MOTION: Ms. Curran moved, seconded Mr. Simpson to approve the unified basketball program starting in the fall of 2018 and running for two years.

VOTE: All in favor (5-0-0)

Discussion: Ms. Jordan-Gagner reached out to Ms. Szlosek regarding the Family ID Program. This program is used to register athletics across the state – the registration platform is innovative and efficient and puts all information in a packet in a digital format. The family account is created only once, it is saved and the information is rolled over into the following year saving time. The system keeps track of information in the FamilyID profile. All information is protected no one has access to the platform information. Both the student and parent have to sign the account.

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded Ms. Curran to approve the
VOTE: All in favor (5-0-0)

- C. Parent Satisfaction Survey Results
Superintendent Stanton discussed the results of the School Climate Survey. A link was sent out in May to complete the School Climate Survey. A total of eighty-three parents responded. Topics included satisfaction with school facilities, academic support and rigor, extracurricular school offerings, school safety, communication, teacher support and social emotional learning. The leadership team will be using the data and feedback to address concerns.
- D. WPI Partnership
Superintendent Stanton discussed a grant opportunity through the Department of Education that would allow us to participate in a study being conducted by Worcester Polytechnic Institute and UMASS Amherst that will help us address the need for better diagnostics that lead to specific and appropriate interventions to support our students.
- E. School Committee Goals
Goals that were set last year have not been completed. We can focus on the goals that have not been completed. The Strategic Plan had been approved. A September date can be planned for a retreat to revisit the goals and get a time line for the school year.
- F. Superintendent Evaluation
The school committee goals need to be set and approved. Once that is completed my goals will be set and can be approved.
- G. School Committee Evaluation
The committee has agreed to send a survey to the community. At the August 27th, 2018 meeting the committee will review and approve the questions for the survey.
- H. Closing of West Street School
Items are being moved to East Meadow, items that the school department needs will be moved by or before August 20th, 2018. What is left is outdated furniture that cannot be used by East Meadow. A walkthrough West Street School will be held August 10th, 2018.

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Ms. Curran to relinquish the closing of West Street School and return the West Street School, located at 14 West Street back to the Town as of August 20, 2018. A letter will be sent to the town notifying them of this vote.

VOTE: All in favor (5-0-0)

IV. Old Business:

- A. Online Payment Program – Alison Jordan-Gagner
- B. Lunch Services Contract

The committee, consisting of Ms. Payne-Rokowski, School Committee Member, Ms. Jenks, Nurse Leader, Mr. Lukaskiewicz, Technology Director opened and reviewed the bids that had been submitted. Based on the rubric that was provided by TMS, Chartwells was the most suitable vendor to provide the services to our district. The committee agreed to award the contract to Chartwells. Enrollment needs to be looked at when the school year starts we need to work with current enrollment numbers and not use numbers from a previous year. It was found that the rubric needs to be reevaluated and updated. A three year contract will be awarded renewable one year at a time. If it is found that Chartwells is not performing, the contract will not be renewed. The committee agreed that Mr. Evren can sign the contract without the rest of the committee, provided that the changes had been made as agreed upon.
 MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded Mr. Simpson to award the Food Service contract to Chartwells.
 VOTE: All in favor (5-0-0)

- C. Budget FY2018
 The requested audit is not ready. As it stands now it is projected that \$106,000 will be carried over to FY19. We are waiting for the audit to be completed so that we can start with a clean slate.

- D. Budget FY2019
 A memo was provided to the committee giving them an overview of what has been spent to date. We have received an additional \$52,000 from the Governor signing the final budget. This will be adjusted in our budget.

- V. Upcoming Business:
 - A. Food Service Contract
 - B. Immaculate Heart of Mary Contract 2018 – 2019
 - C. GAA Contract 2018-2019

- VI. Policy:
 - A.

- VII. Standing Reports:

A.	Superintendent’s Report	Superintendent Stanton
B.	Collaborative of Educational Services (CES)	Mr. Simpson
C.	West Street Building Committee	Mr. Evren
D.	Policy Subcommittee	Ms. Curran & Ms. Bartosz

- VIII. Correspondence:
 - A. Minutes: July 9, 2018 (Agenda item I. A)
 - B. Donations (Agenda item I.B)
 - C. Permission for Superintendent to award bids during the summer (Agenda item III. A)
 - D. Volleyball (Agenda item III. B)
 - E. Parent Satisfaction Survey Results
 - F. WPI Partnership
 - G. School Committee Goals
 - H. Superintendent Evaluation
 - I. School Committee Evaluation
 - J. Closing of West Street School
 - K. Online Payment Program – Alison Jordan-Gagner
 - L. Lunch Services Contract
 - M. Budget FY2018
 - N. Budget FY2019
 - O. Food Service Contract

P. Immaculate Heart of Mary Contract 2018-2019

Q. GAA Contract 2018-2019

IX. Adjournment:

MOTION: Ms. Bartosz moved, seconded by Ms. Curran to adjourn the regular school committee meeting. There will not be an executive session.

VOTE: Ms. Payne-Rokowski, aye; Ms. Curran, aye; Ms. Bartosz, aye; Mr. Simpson, aye; Mr. Evren, aye; to adjourn the Regular Session at 9:05 P.M.

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.

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.

"Please be advised that this meeting will be video and audio taped as well as televised"

[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