



GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Committee Meeting

November 19, 2018

6:30 P.M.

**EAST MEADOW SCHOOL – EAST MEADOW LIBRARY
MINUTES**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Mr. Emre Evren, Chairperson; Ms. Deanne Payne-Rokowski, Vice-Chair; Mr. Mike Simpson; Ms. Jennifer Bartosz; Ms. Jennifer Curran; Ms. Jasmine Rodrigues-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 6:34 P.M.

Consent Agenda:

A. **VOTE:** Minutes: November 5, 2018

MOTION: Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by Ms. Bartosz to approve the consent agenda for November 5, 2018.

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

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. Student Representative Report:

IV. New Business:

A. **VOTE:** Approval Private Schools for 2018-2019 (MacDuffie)

MOTION: Ms. Bartosz moved, seconded by Ms. Curran to approve the application submitted by MacDuffie, as a private school for 2018-2019.

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

B. **VOTE:** Closure of West Street Student Activity accounts

MOTION: Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by Ms. Bartosz to close the West Street School Student Activity checking account in the amount of \$1,859.68 plus any accrued interest and transfer the balance to the East Meadow Student Activity checking account.

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

MOTION: Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by Ms. Bartosz to close the West Street School Student Activity savings account in the amount of \$4,440.23 plus any accrued interest and transfer the balance to the East Meadow Student Activity savings account.

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

C. **VOTE:** FY19 Additional requests

Discussion regarding the additional requests. Additional funds are not needed to fund these requests we will not have to go back to the town. The monies will come from salary savings, tuition adjustment, transition program adjustment, 52school choice carryover, school choice enrollment increase, grants and budget reallocation. The requests include the following: (1) paraprofessional, East

Meadow; implement afterschool/Saturday tutoring program at the high school and East Meadow; IT contract support Network Technology plus and Audit/Consultation for the District; an adjustment counselor for East Meadow; and for the high school and East Meadow NWEA-MAP Testing.

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Ms. Bartosz to approve the additional FY19 requests in the amount of \$102,645.00.

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

D. MCAS Accountability

Superintendent Stanton presented the 2017-2018 Accountability results. She presented the MCAS and Accountability Changes; MA accountability indicators – non-high schools; MA accountability indicators – high schools & middle/high/K-12 schools; setting targets; Criterion – referenced component; Categorization of schools; District: How We Do What We Do – District Level – School Level; District-wide Bid Ideas – District Results; District-wide Analysis – Strengths; Opportunities for Improvement; District-wide Next Steps; GJSHS How We Do What We Do; GJSHS Big Ideas; GJSHS – Analysis; GJSHS Action Steps; GJSHS Action Steps; East Meadow – How We Do What We Do; East Meadow Big Ideas; East Meadow Analysis; East Meadow Action Steps. Principal Sullivan and Lataille spoke regarding their respective school and answered any questions the committee had.

E. Home School update

Ms. Hepworth, Director of Pupil Services reported that there was an increase in home schooling this year. The families increased for six to eight this school year with students in grades 1 – 12 for a total of nineteen students.

F. Policy First Read – Sections: A – B – C

Superintendent Stanton advised that Sections A, B and C had been forwarded to our attorney. A few revisions have been made. The policies are in the drive for review.

G. MASC/MASS Joint Conference

The conference was attended by Superintendent Stanton, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Curran. It was agreed that the conference was excellent and should be attended by anyone who has not yet attended.

V. Old Business:

A. School Committee Goals - table

B. High School roof – update

Mr. Tarquini reported that the roof over the gym has been repaired. Additional leaks did appear and those also have been repaired. The bill has been submitted to town hall for payment.

C. Blizzard Bags

Superintendent Stanton reported on the review of the Blizzard Bag. She thanked the workgroup for reviewing staff, student and parent feedback from the first Blizzard Bag of 2017-2018. Several recommendations were made that have been incorporated in both the expectations for staff and for students. The survey data strongly supported continuing with the Blizzard Bag with revisions.

MOTION: Ms. Payne-Rokowski moved, seconded by Ms. Curran to approve the altered structured learning protocol/aka Blizzard Bag pilot program for 2018-2019 with alterations.

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

D. Enrollment update

Superintendent Stanton reported that we currently show 727 students attending school in our district. We will receive monthly updates from the administrative assistants tracking students.

VI. Upcoming Business:

A.

- VII. Policy:
- A.
- VIII. Standing Reports:
- A. Superintendent's Report Superintendent Stanton
 Superintendent Stanton reported that the Girls Soccer team advanced to the semi- finals where they beat Uxbridge and unfortunately were defeated in the finals. Congratulations to the first year of Girls Volleyball. The HOPE Club collected and delivered 1,731 pounds of food to our local food pantry. Granby's first unified basketball team has been awarded the MIAA/Special Olympics MA Unified Basketball Team Sportsmanship Award for 2018. A thank you to Mrs. Stapert's art classes for art creating panels in our high school hallway. Congratulations to Trystin Burger on her signing day with AIC. Wednesday is pajama day at East Meadow.
- B. Business Office & Facilities Report Mr. Tarquini
1. Budget FY18
 Finalizing the end of the year report 2017-2018. We have just received out information back from the auditor. The town side and our side do not agree at the present time.
 2. Budget FY19
 Mr. Tarquini included a comparison between FY18 and FY19. Presently we have used 38% of the budget versus 45% for last year at this time. We will be starting to build the FY20 budget.
 3. Chartwells Update
 A summary of the October expenses for Chartwells was included for review.
- C. Collaborative of Educational Services (CES) Mr. Simpson
- D. West Street Building Committee Mr. Evren
- E. Policy Subcommittee Ms. Curran & Ms. Bartosz
- F. Budget Subcommittee Mr. Evren & Mr. Simpson
- G. Community Relations Ms. Curran & Ms. Bartosz
- IX. Correspondence:
- A. Minutes: November 5, 2018 (Agenda item I. A)
 - B. Approval Private Schools for 2018-2019 (MacDuffie) (Agenda item IV.A)
 - C. Closure of West Street Student Activity accounts (Agenda item IV.B)
 - D. FY19 Additional requests (Agenda item IV.C)
 - E. MCAS Accountability (Agenda item IV.D)
 - F. Home School update (Agenda item IV.E)
 - G. Policy First Read – Sections A-B-C (Agenda item IV.F)
 - H. MASC/MASS Joint Conference Agenda item IV.G)
 - I. School Committee Goals (Agenda item V.A)
 - J. High School roof – update (Agenda item IV.B)
 - K. Blizzard Bag (Agenda item V.C)
 - L. Enrollment update (Agenda item V.D)
- X. Adjournment:
 Roll call vote Ms. Payne-Rokowski, aye; Ms. Curran, aye; Ms. Bartosz, aye; Mr. Simpson, aye; Mr. Evren, aye; to adjourn the Regular Session at 10:56 P.M.
 All in favor (5-0-0)
- XI. There will not be an Executive Session this evening. 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