



GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Committee Meeting, May 26, 2017, 5:00 P.M. Granby Jr./Sr. High School, Donna Gnatek Media Center MINUTES

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Mr. Emre Evren, Chairperson; Ms. Marie McCourt (absent), Secretary; 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: Kristen Naglieri, GEA President

- I. Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 5:10 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. A visitor from the audience expressed her concerns over the number of teachers at the high school level with the declining enrollment in the district. She feels that we could cut ten teachers at the high school level. Mr. Evren explained that cutting ten teachers is not the answer to the problem. Upcoming Business:
 - A. Policy: Kindergarten Policy
- IV. New Business:
 - A. FY2018 Budget
Superintendent Stanton presented the FY2018 pending budget reductions to meet town parameters. The most severe cuts would be made at the high school level with additional cuts to be made at the elementary level. Students at the high school level would have to take more electives or have a study hall. Presently a large percentage of our students are taking AP courses. Residents need to be presented with a clear picture of what the reductions will look like to the students. To attract out of district students we need to keep the programs we have in place or we will find our students leaving our schools.
- V. Correspondence:
 - A. FY2018 Budget (Agenda item III.A)
- 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.
- VII. Adjournment:

VOTE: Ms. Payne-Rokowski, aye; Ms. Curran, aye; Mr. Simpson, aye; Ms. McCourt, aye; Mr. Evren, aye, to enter Executive Session at 7:07 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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