

**GROTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GROTON, CONNECTICUT**

(*Attachments are available upon request from the Superintendent's Office.)

Special Meeting

January 23, 2018

A special meeting of the Groton Board of Education was held on January 23, 2018 in CR 3 of the Town Hall Annex, for the purpose of conducting a budget worksession.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Kim Shepardson Watson, Board Chairperson, at 7:50 p.m.

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mrs. Kim Shepardson Watson, Chairperson
Dr. Andrea Ackerman, Vice Chairperson
Mrs. Katrina Fitzgerald
Mrs. Jane Giulini
Mrs. Gretchen Newsome
Mrs. Rosemary Robertson
Mr. Jay Weitlauf
Mrs. Lee White

Mrs. Rita Volkmann

Dr. Michael Graner, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Samuel Kilpatrick, Director of Buildings and Grounds
Mr. Ken Knight, Business Manager
Mr. Joseph Arcarese, Principal, Fitch High School
Mrs. Portia Bordelon, RTM Member

Mr. Knight presented the Board with new pages for their budget.

Dr. Graner reviewed the 600 series highlighting the reductions and additions of each line.

Mr. Arcarese reviewed how he allocates his site budget as well as his athletic site budget.

The Board discussed the merits of continuing to pay for students to take the AP tests.

Dr. Graner shared a proposal for cutting the budget: cut 25% from the total site budget (\$202,000) and \$50,00 from the Maintenance Supplies budget.

Other suggested cuts to the total site budget were made.

Dr. Graner reviewed the 700 and 800 series highlighting the reductions and additions of each line.

For the next budget worksession:

- Health Care and OPEB
- What would the budget look like if less is taken from the site budget?

MOTION: Ackerman, Weitlauf:

To adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

PASSED - UNANIMOUSLY