

**GROTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
GROTON, CONNECTICUT**

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

**Committee of the Whole**

**February 12, 2018**

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Groton Board of Education was held on February 12, 2018 in Room 11 of the School Administration Building.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Andrea Ackerman, Board Vice Chairperson, at 6:04 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  
Mrs. Denise Doolittle, Director of Pupil Personnel Services  
Mr. Samuel Kilpatrick, Director of Buildings and Grounds  
Mr. Ken Knight, Business Manager  
Mr. Daniel Gaiewski, Student Representative  
Mrs. Patrice Granatosky, Town Council Member  
Mrs. Rachael Franco, Town Council Member  
Mrs. Juliette Parker, Town Council Member  
Mrs. Rita Schmidt, Town Council Member  
Mrs. Portia Bordelon, RTM Member

**1. Approval of Minutes of January 16, 2018**

**MOTION:** White, Robertson: To approve the minutes of January 16, 2018.  
**PASSED – UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. Committee structure and meeting schedule**

This item was tabled.

3. **Budget [ATTACHMENT #1]**

Dr. Graner reviewed the reductions to the budget made to date.

Dr. Graner reviewed the new budget pages provided by Mr. Knight.

Dr. Graner reviewed the proposed reductions to the Budget. These reductions would bring the budget to a 2.36% increase.

Extensive discussion by the Board and the Town Council members was held on the budget.

Town Council members made suggestions to the Board of items to be prepared to address at the Town Council meeting on Tuesday

Dr. Graner reviewed the Central Office staff assignments. Mrs. Doolittle reviewed the special education staff assignments in the district. Dr. Graner noted that approximately 99% of the Nurses salary is paid by the Town and the district has approximately 1% in their budget for incidentals.

4. **Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Ackerman, White: To adjourn at 8:18 p.m.  
**PASSED - UNANIMOUSLY**