

**GROTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GROTON, CONNECTICUT**

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

Special Meeting

November 16, 2015

A special meeting of the Magnet School Ad Hoc Committee of the Groton Board of Education was held on November 16, 2015, in Room 19 of the School Administration Building, for the purpose of discussion Magnet Schools.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Fitzgerald, at 7:05 p.m.

Committee Members: Katrina Fitzgerald, Andrea Ackerman, Jay Weitlauf

Staff: Michael Graner, Susan Austin, Ben Moon, Chris Dauphinais, Paul Esposito

Others: Christy Post, Robert Beaulieu, Jennifer Mathanool, Julette Parker

1. Review of Minutes from November 2, 2015.

A motion was made by Mrs. Fitzgerald and seconded by Dr. Ackerman to approve the minutes of November 2, 2015.

PASSED – UNANIMOUSLY

2. Discussion of the parent/staff survey.

The committee decided that two surveys will be conducted. One survey will seek information from parents whose children attend Magnet Schools in the region. Ben Moon and Mike Graner will finalize the questions and determine how to distribute the survey to Magnet School parents. The second survey will be available to all parents/guardians of students attending Groton Public Schools. A survey will be prepared and parents/guardians will be asked via an automated phone call to take the survey.

3. Discussion of Catherine Kolnaski Magnet School Program.

Chris Dauphinais, Principal of Catherine Kolnaski Magnet School, distributed a brochure of the school's Magnet Program.

4. Update regarding the possibility of a Performing Arts Magnet School at NEA.

Paul Esposito, Principal of Northeast Academy School, explained his proposal for a performing arts intra-district Magnet School to begin next fall. The committee reviewed the brochure that Paul provided.

5. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.