

GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY APRIL 27, 2015

TOWN HALL ANNEX, CR 1

AGENDA

WELCOME

Mission Statement

Our mission is teaching and learning

Board Goals

1. Provide Dynamic Rigorous Curriculum
2. Ensure Effective and Engaging Instruction
3. Embrace Excellent Learning Environment

I. CALL TO ORDER

6:00 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. RECOGNITION AND PARTICIPATION OF VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS

- CABE Student Leadership Awards

C. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS RE: AGENDA ITEMS AND OTHER SUBJECTS OF CONCERN THAT LIE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

This is the portion of the agenda where the Board welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to five minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Board members will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and cannot respond during Comments from Citizens' portion of the Board meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the podium and state their names and addresses for the record.

D. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT

II. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

III. SUPERINTENDENT AND ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- Superintendent Report
 - Update regarding the Common Core Standards
 - Update regarding the 2015-2016 budget

A. REPORTS AND INFORMATION FROM THE STAFF

1. Business Manager Report
 - a. FY15
2. Director of Buildings and Grounds Report

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Facilities Policy	Groton Parent Council
Curriculum	Town & City Councils/RTM/BOE
Negotiations	GEA/AGSA/BOE Liaison
LEARN	School Facilities Task Force
	Groton Scholarship

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under Item V.A (Consent Agenda) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Points of clarification will be allowed.

1. Approval of Minutes
 - March 23, 2015 (BOE Meeting) (Enclosure)
 - April 1, 2015 (Town & City/RTM/BOE Liaison) (Enclosure)
 - April 6, 2015 (Special Meeting) (Enclosure)
 - April 8, 2015 (BOE/AGSA/GEA Meeting) (Enclosure)
2. Approval of Warrants
 - Warrant #19
 - Warrant #20
3. Approval of Gifts
 - Pfizer Foundation Matching Gifts Program (Edward Martin) has made a donation of \$75.00 to the Fitch High School.
 - Pfizer Foundation Matching Gifts Program (Peter Fairbank) has made a donation of \$1,000.00 to the Fitch High School Fencing Team.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A SECOND READING OF REVISION TO POLICY P 5113 ATTENDANCE (Enclosure)**

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REVISION TO THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR (Enclosure)**
2. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A TRUCK DONATION FROM THE CITY OF GROTON**
3. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A FIRST READING OF REVISION TO POLICY P 6162.51 SURVEY OF STUDENTS (Enclosure)**
4. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A FIRST READING OF REVISION TO POLICY P 6153 FIELD TRIPS (Enclosure)**
5. **RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL TEACHER DAY AND WEEK**

WHEREAS, May 5, 2015 has been designated as National Teachers' Day and May 4-8, 2015 has been designated as National Teachers' Week, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education acknowledges that May 5, 2015 has been designated as National Teachers' Day, and May 4-8, 2015 has been designated as National Teachers' Week, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to express its appreciation and gratitude to all teachers who serve the children of the Groton Public Schools, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes that quality teaching is the single most important factor influencing students' learning; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education and Michael Graner, Superintendent of Schools, thanks all teachers for their commitment and dedication to the children of Groton.

6. **RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSES' DAY**

WHEREAS, May 6, 2015 has been designated as School Nurses' Day , and

WHEREAS, school nurses provide the services mandated by the State of Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, school nurses provide nursing care to students with asthmas, diabetes, life threatening allergies and neurological cardiovascular problems, and

WHEREAS, school nurses give preventative and acute care to students and staff, health education, medication management and supportive counseling daily, and

WHEREAS, school nurses actively collaborate with staff, families and medical providers to build student capacity for self-management, self-advocacy and learning, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education acknowledges that May 6, 2015 has been designated as School Nurses' Day, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to express its appreciation and gratitude to all school nurses for the unique contributions they make every day toward improving the health and well-being of children in the Groton Public Schools; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education and Michael Graner, Superintendent of Schools, thanks all school nurses for their commitment and dedication to the children of the Groton Public Schools.

VI. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS (Non-Action Items):

A. LETTERS, COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS ON MEETING ITEMS AND ANY OTHER ITEMS IN THEIR JURISDICTION

VII. ADVANCE PLANNING

A. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND CALENDAR ITEMS FOR BOARD ATTENTION

May 4, 2015	Curriculum Committee	C.O., Room 19	6:00 p.m.
May 4, 2015	Policy Committee	C.O., Room 11	6:00 p.m.
May 5, 2015	RTM Budget Review	Senior Center, Rm. A	6:30 p.m.
May 6, 2015	Town & City Councils/ RTM/BOE Liaison	C.O., Room 19	5:30 p.m.
May 11, 2015	COW	Fitch High	6:00 p.m.
May 12, 2015	Groton Parent Council	TBD	5:30 p.m.
May 14, 2015	School Facilities Task Force	Town Hall Annex	6:30 p.m.
May 18, 2015	Finance/Facilities Committee	C.O., Room 19	6:00 p.m.
May 21, 2015	Groton Scholarship	Fitch High	5:15 p.m.
May 26, 2015	BOE	Town Hall Annex	6:00 p.m.
May 27, 2015	BOE/AGSA/GEA Liaison Committee	Par 4	4:30 p.m.

B. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT