

**GROTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
GROTON, CONNECTICUT**

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

Committee of the Whole

August 11, 2014

A Committee of the Whole meeting of the Groton Board of Education was held on August 11, 2014, in Room 19 of the School Administration Building.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Rita Volkmann, Board Chairperson, at 7:55 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Mrs. Rita Volkmann, Chairperson  
Mrs. Kim Shepardson Watson, Vice Chairperson  
Dr. Andrea Ackerman  
Mrs. Elizabeth Gianacoplos  
Dr. Kirsten E. Hoyt  
Ms. Mary Kelly

**ABSENT**

Mrs. Patricia Doyle  
Mr. Joey Schick

Dr. Michael Graner, Superintendent of Schools

**1. Approval of minutes of June 9, 2014**

A motion was made by Dr. Hoyt and seconded by Mrs. Gianacoplos to approve the minutes of June 9, 2014.

**PASSED – UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. Update regarding proposed Spend Plan for 2014-2015**

Dr. Graner explained that for the next Finance and Facilities Committee meeting, he will be presenting a Spend Plan for 2014-2015 with actual numbers.

**3. Review of the revised Board of Education Handbook**

A motion was made by Dr. Hoyt and seconded by Mrs. Volkmann to table this item until the next COW meeting.

**PASSED – UNANIMOUSLY**

Mrs. Gianacoplos made a referral to the Policy Committee to review policy 9221 relative to vacancies on the Board of Education.

**4. Review of the Referral List**

The Board reviewed the referral list removing the following items:

R2012-23

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R2012-6  
R2013-10  
R2011-13  
R2013-2  
R2013-13  
R2012-28  
R2014-3

Mrs. Volkmann made a referral to the COW to have a discussion of what the Guidance Department at FHS is doing to prepare students to take the SATs.

Dr. Hoyt made a referral to the COW to have a discussion regarding the referral process.

Mrs. Watson made a referral to the COW to have a discussion on how to encourage parent involvement and engagement.

A motion was made by Dr. Hoyt and seconded by Mrs. Watson to adjourn at 8:52 p.m.

**PASSED - UNANIMOUSLY**