

**GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.
REMOTE MEETING**

NOTE: This meeting is being held remotely due to the Coronavirus concern. Members of the public may view or listen to the meeting by following the below steps:

- 1) Using Google Chrome browser, go to *www.grotonschools.org*
- 2) Zoom information can be found by clicking on the meeting under District Calendar

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

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. RECOGNITION AND PARTICIPATION OF VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS

- A. Martin Luther King Scholarship Recipients

III. 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 the Comments of Citizens' portion of the Board meeting. Citizens should state their names and addresses for the record.

IV. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

V. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

VI. SUPERINTENDENT AND ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- A. Superintendent Report
 1. African American Latino Studies Course

B. Reports and Information from the Staff

1. Business Manager Report
 - Object Code Summary FY21 (Attachment #1)
 - Health Insurance Report (Attachment #2)
2. Director of Buildings and Grounds
 - Presentation by Rick Norris re: Furniture, Fixtures, & Equipment at the New Elementary Schools (Attachments #3a, 3b, 3c)
 - Air Quality in the Schools (Fuss & O'Neill report posted on the website)

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Policy

B. Curriculum

C. Finance/Facilities

D. Other

- LEARN
- TCC/RTM/BoE Liaison
- BoE/AGSA/GEA Liaison
- Groton Scholarship
- Athletic Fields

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Agenda – all matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Points of clarification will be allowed.

1. Approval of the special meeting minutes of December 14, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. (Attachment #4)
2. Approval of the special meeting minutes of December 14, 2020 @ 6:45 p.m. (Attachment #5)
3. Approval of the special meeting minutes of December 21, 2020 (Attachment #6)
4. Approval of the special meeting minutes of January 19, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. (Attachment #7)
5. Approval of the special meeting minutes of January 19, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m. (Attachment #8)
6. Approval of Gifts
 - Mary Morrisson Elementary School received an anonymous donation of \$1,000
 - Exxon Mobile Corporation, on behalf of Mystic Oil Company and its two local Mystic locations, Mystic Service Station and Quik Eze Mobil-RMP, has made two donations of \$500 to S. B. Butler Elementary School to be used for maintenance and support of its math and/or science programs

B. Old Business

1. Discussion and possible action regarding a second reading of policy P 4118.112 Sexual Harassment (Personnel) (Attachment #9).

MOTION: To approve policy P 4118.112 Sexual Harassment as a second reading.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding a second reading of policy P 5145.5 Sexual Harassment (Students) (Attachment #10).

MOTION: To approve policy P 5145.5 Sexual Harassment as a second reading.

C. New Business

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of Susan Austin as an authorized signer of the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs and to sign claims for reimbursement.

MOTION: To approve Susan Austin as an authorized signer of the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs and to sign claims for reimbursement.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the One Card-One Community initiative.

MOTION: To approve the One Card-One Community initiative.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the African American Latino Studies Course.

MOTION: To approve the African American Latino Studies Course.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding a revision to the Board of Education goal statement (Attachment #11).

MOTION: To approve the revision to the Board of Education goal statement.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the budget plans and manual for furniture, fixtures, and equipment for Cutler (Thames River Magnet School).

MOTION: To approve the budget plans and manual for furniture, fixtures, and equipment for Cutler (Thames River Magnet School).

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the budget plans and manual for furniture, fixtures, and equipment for West Side (Mystic River Magnet School).

MOTION: To approve the budget plans and manual for furniture, fixtures, and equipment for West Side (Mystic River Magnet School).

IX. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS (Non-Action Items)

- A. Letters, communications, and comments by Board members on meeting items and any other items in their jurisdiction.

X. ADVANCE PLANNING

A. Future Meeting Dates and Calendar Items for Board Attention

February 1	Policy	5:00 p.m.
February 1	Special Meeting (Budget Work Session)	6:00 p.m.
February 8	C.O.W. (Budget Work Session)	6:00 p.m.
February 17	C.O.W. (Budget Work Session)	6:00 p.m.
February 22	Regular (Budget Adoption)	6:00 p.m.

Meetings w/Town Bodies:

February 3	Town & City Councils/RTM/BoE	5:30 p.m.
February 3	Special Mtg. w/TC & RTM (Budget Work Session)	6:30 p.m.
February 4	PSBC	6:00 p.m.
February 18	PSBC	6:00 p.m.

B. Suggested Agenda Items

XI. ADJOURNMENT