

**GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
FEBRUARY 17, 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:

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Mission Statement: Our mission is teaching and learning.

Board Goals: In a richness of cultures and with a respect for all, (1) Provide Dynamic Rigorous Curriculum, (2) Ensure Effective and Engaging Instruction, and (3) Embrace Excellent Learning Environment.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. BoE Regular Business
 - a. Approval of the C.O.W. meeting minutes of February 8, 2021 (Attachment #1)
3. Budget Work Session
4. Suggested Future Topics
5. Adjournment

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FEBRUARY 8, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.
REMOTE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kim Shepardson Watson-Chairperson, Andrea Ackerman-Vice Chairperson, Dean Antipas, Jane Giuliani, Liz Porter, Rosemary Robertson, Rita Volkmann, Jay Weitlauf, Lee White

ALSO PRESENT: Susan Austin, Denise Doolittle, Sam Kilpatrick, Ken Knight, Laurie LePine

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Kim Watson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. BOE REGULAR BUSINESS

MOTION: Ackerman, White: To approve the COW minutes of January 11, 2021.
PASSED -UNANIMOUSLY

III. BUDGET WORK SESSION

Mr. Ken Knight, Business Manager, reviewed the following pages of the proposed 2021-2022 budget:

Sports and Student Activities 6-12 as well as the detail pages

Mr. Knight gave an overview of the Budget Decisions Detail document. (**ATTACHMENT #1**)

Mrs. Watson, Mrs. White, and Mr. Antipas requested to see a job description for the full time Athletic Director position as well as the Dean position.

4100 Tuition – Vo Ag School
4111 Tuition Public School
4121 Tuition SE Public School
4122 Tuition SE Non-Public School

Mrs. Doolittle gave an overview of the Special Education Tuition and Mr. Knight gave an overview of the regular education Tuition.

2510 Operation and Maintenance
2520 Pupil Transportation
2540 Computer Support Services
2560 Health Service Staff
3710 Non-Public Pupil Transportation

IV. SUGGESTED FUTURE TOPICS

NONE

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ackerman, Volkmann: To adjourn at 8:07 p.m.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Groton Public Schools
 Budget decisions detail
 FY2022

Decision	Cost assumption	Cost	Offset assumption	Offset, if any	Differential
Full time FHS Athletic Director	Dean salary	128,217	Current AD teacher salary & stipend	107,853	20,364
Convert Dean at FHS to Asst Principal	HS AP salary	152,918	Current Dean salary & summer sch stipend	131,442	21,476
Add 0.5 FTE PE teacher at elem	Masters/Step 3 teacher salary	28,668	None	-	28,668
Convert APEX tutor position to teacher	Masters/Step 3 teacher salary	57,336	Current tutor salary	35,956	21,380
Add FT Tutor to support magnet themes	FT tutor salary	35,956	None	-	35,956

Retirements - three step 14 teachers	Masters/Step 5 teacher salary	191,337	Actual salary replaced	286,227	(94,890)
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Total 32,954

Decision	Cost assumption	Cost	Offset assumption	Offset, if any	Differential	Possible funding
Add Social worker at NEA/CB	Masters/Step 3 social worker salary	58,287	None	-	58,287	CARES Act II for FY22