

GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 9, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.  
REMOTE MEETING

**Members Present:** Chairman Kim Shepardson Watson, vice Chairman Andrea Ackerman, Dean Antipas, Jane Giulini, Elizabeth Porter, Rita Volkmann, Jay Weitlauf, Lee White

**Members Absent:** Rosemary Robertson

**Also Present:** Susan Austin, Ken Knight

Chairman Watson called the budget work session on the superintendent's proposed 2021 - 2022 budget to order at 6:04 p.m.

Ms. Austin reviewed the following pages of the proposed 2021-2022 budget:

- 1200 Enrichment K-8
- 1270 Remedial Instruction K-12
- 2201 Supporting Service CO T & L
- 2210 Improvement of Instruction
- 2220 Educational Media Services K-12
- 2311 Board of Education Services
- 2312 Superintendent Office Services
- 2313 Business Office

Items for discussion at a COW meeting:

- Minority Recruitment
- LTAs

Mr. Weitlauf requested an update on OPEB.

Mrs. Volkmann requested data on the number of employees who received Town Retirement.

Mrs. Volkmann requested data on the need for an additional Social Studies teacher at FHS.

Mr. Weitlauf requested data on whether new hires were put into the Town Retirement.

Mrs. Porter requested data on keeping the Secretaries slated to be cut.

Mrs. Volkmann requested data on the Dean position going to a Vice Principal position.

Board members requested data on the APEX Program and the Athletic Director position.

Mr. Knight reviewed 2410 School Administration and the Site Budgets.

MOTION: Ackerman, Porter: To adjourn the budget work session at 7:55 p.m.  
PASSED - UNANIMOUSLY