



# Mt. Greylock Regional School District

## School Committee Open Session Minutes

**Date:** March 21, 2019

**Start:** 4:00 PM

**Adjourn:** 4:54 PM

**Location:**

MGRS Meeting Room A109

1781 Cold Spring Road Williamstown, MA 01267

**In Attendance:**

<b>Committee Members:</b>	<b>Also Present:</b>
Joe Bergeron, Chair Regina DiLego, Vice-Chair Steven Miller, Secretary Dan Caplinger Christina Conry  <b><u>Absent:</u></b> Alison Carter Al Terranova	Kim Grady, Superintendent

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<b>Item</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Vote</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>	Meeting called to Order by Joe Bergeron, Chair, at 4:01 PM			
<b>Public Comment</b>	Michelle Johnson from Lanesborough provided the committee with Public Comment regarding the school calendar.			
<b>FY20 School Calendar</b>	The committee was presented with two options for next year's academic calendar. One would keep the traditional school breaks in February and April and the other would place long weekends during those months and provide one week-long break in March. Discussion: The committee discussed both options and what it would look like regarding the last day of school with both options as well as how it would align to other schools and local colleges. Discussion regarding the process for creating the calendar and any feedback that was received over previous discussions regarding potential changes to the	Miller	DiLego	5-0-0



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	<p>academic calendar. Discussion regarding professional development schedule for next year as it relates to the new teachers' contract. One additional professional development day needs to be added per contract. <b>MOTION</b> to accept the proposed calendar as presented with a February and April break with the modification of a professional development day on October 11th (no school for students), June 15<sup>th</sup> will be a full day of school, and the last day of school (without snow days) June 16, 2020 which will be a half day. Brief discussion regarding the planning process for next year.</p>			
<p><b>Pre-K Tuition Rate</b></p>	<p>K. Grady proposes that the Pre-K rates remain the same. <b>MOTION</b> to accept the Pre-k rates as presented. Discussion: R. DiLego asked that we explore offering universal pre-k within the region at some point going forward.</p>	<p>DiLego</p>	<p>Miller</p>	<p>5-0-0</p>
<p><b>Regular Tuition Rates</b></p>	<p>K. Grady reviewed the established rate for Lanesborough Elementary New Ashford students \$14, 442. Discussion regarding the new regional per pupil rate for the region being determined by DESE less the transportation and special education costs. That tuition rate is \$15,882.53. <b>MOTION</b> to accept a K-6 tuition rate of 14, 442 per student and a 7-12 tuition rate of \$15,882.53 for the 2019-2020 school year. Discussion: Next year there will be a single unified tuition rate for the entire region. Discussion regarding the goal of the tuition agreements and processes for transportation of tuition students.</p>	<p>Miller</p>	<p>DiLego</p>	<p>5-0-0</p>



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<b>FY20 Budget amendment related to building project interest</b>	Not needed.	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Business</b>	M. MacDonald presented details for a Model UN field trip for six students in grades 9-11 taking place on April 5, 2019. MOTION to approve Caplinger/DiLego VOTE: 5-0-0			
<b>Move to move into Executive Session</b>	<p>Motion to move into Executive Session with no intent to return to open session per MGL Chapter 30A Section 21 (a) (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining (Cafeteria and Teachers contracts) as an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the School Committee and the Chair so declares.</p> <p><b>Miller – AYE, Bergeron – AYE, DiLego – AYE, Caplinger – AYE, Conry – AYE.</b></p> <p><b>The committee entered Executive Session with no intent to return to Open Session at 4:54 PM</b></p>	Miller	DiLego	

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jonathan Nopper  
Mount Greylock Minutes Recorder