

GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.
CENTRAL OFFICE, ROOM 11

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jay Weitlauf-Chairperson, Beverly Washington-Vice Chairperson (remote/arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Andrea Ackerman, Dean Antipas, Adrian Johnson (remote), Robert Meade, Matthew Shulman, Ian Thomas, Jennifer White

ALSO PRESENT: Susan Austin, Phil Piazza, David Fleig, Denise Doolittle, Laurie LePine, Clint Kennedy

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Weitlauf called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. BUDGET WORK SESSION

- Chapter 1 – Overview and Drivers
 - Superintendent Austin and Dr. Piazza gave an overview and the drivers that are increasing the budget for next year.
 - FY24/25 Budget Calendar
 - FY25 Budget Review Sessions
 - Groton Public School District Overview
 - Superintendent’s Proposed 2024-2025 Budget
 - Program Highlights
 - Superintendent’s FY25 Proposed Budget
 - FY25 Budget – Early Observations
 - ARP ESSER Grant Closeout Estimate
 - AARP ESSER Expenses Moving into the BOE Budget
 - GPS Budget History
 - 2022-2023 Net Expenditures Per Pupil – Local Districts
 - 2022-2023 Net Expenditures Per Pupil – District Reference Group (DRG)
 - Salaries and Retirements (Mrs. LePine noted that there are 7 confirmed retirements to date.)

III. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ackerman, Thomas:

To adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY