



## GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

**April 14, 2022 – 6:30 P.M.**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Bahou called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced that the meeting was being recorded.

Chairman Bahou stated in accordance with 940 CMR 29.10 (remote participation) adopted by the Greater Lowell Technical School Committee April 17, 2014, Committeeman LeMay and Committeeman O'Hare will be participating at tonight's meeting remotely.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members

**Present:** Mr. Giggey, Mr. Tatseos, Mr. Morin, Mr. O'Hare, Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Gitschier, Mr. Bahou

**Members Absent:** Mr. LeMay (not present at the time of roll call, arrived @ 6:33 p.m.)

Also

**Present:** Jill Davis, Superintendent-Director  
David Bradley, District Treasurer  
Recording Secretary

#### **PUBLIC APPEARANCE**

There was no public appearance.

#### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no School Committee communications

#### **REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Student Representative Thomas Sperounis provided an update of recently held clubs and sporting events.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Giggey, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 22, 2022.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to waive the reading of the warrant.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**MOTION:** by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Giggey to approve expenditures for the sum of \$3,606,070.22 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2105B	dated 03/25/2022	Payroll # 843	1,190,959.22
Warrant 2106A	dated 04/08/2022	Payroll # 845	1,070,380.46
Warrant 2106	dated 04/01/2022	Accounts Payable	574,153.76
Warrant 2106-4	dated 04/01/2022	Mass Bay Health	769,603.79
Warrant 2106-3	dated 04/01/2022	Lowell Five Debit Card	972.99

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL**

There was no report of general counsel.

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR**

Superintendent Davis began by informing the committee that the number of students (senior and junior) participating in cooperative education employment opportunities reported as of March 31<sup>st</sup> increased from 226 students to 238 students as of the night of the meeting. She included that there are 15 additional students scheduled to begin in cooperative education placements after the vacation break.

Superintendent Davis provided a brief update on the General Health and Safety Practices and Protocols. She began by informing the committee members that on April 8, 2022, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) extended the statewide testing options currently available to school districts past April 22, 2022. In addition, they will continue to monitor factors related to COVID-19 and may make further adjustments to the statewide K-12 COVID testing options this school year if necessary.

Superintendent Davis informed the Committee that she was seeking their approval of the 2022-2023 School Committee Meeting Schedule. She noted that a copy of the proposed meeting schedule was included in the package for review and asked if there were any questions or concerns with the dates provided. With no questions asked, Superintendent Davis asked for their approval.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Morin to approve the School Committee Meeting Dates for FY23.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

Superintendent Davis informed the Committee that she was seeking approval for out-of-state travel for Cosmetology instructor Michelle Mills, Carpentry instructor, Patrick Couillard, and Special Education instructor Sheila Gianacoplis to attend, at no cost to the district, the United States Marine Corp. Educator's Workshop in Parris Island, South Carolina from May 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Davis informed the members that the workshop would not only develop a better understanding of the Marine Corp and the different opportunities it has to offer, but also build leadership, teamwork, problem-solving and communication skills. She included that all of which can be shared with their students; helping them to be better leaders and mentors for students.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Giggey, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the out-of-state travel request for Cosmetology instructor Michelle Mills, Carpentry instructor, Patrick Couillard, and Special Education instructor Sheila Gianacoplis.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Gitschier asked if item #4 from the list of outstanding items regarding the card swipe could be removed, as remaining outstanding contracts have been ratified. Mr. Giggey noted item #5 could also be removed, as this was already in process; and Mr. Bahou noted item #1 could be removed as well.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Giggey to remove item #1, #4, and #5 from the list of Old Business items.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

### **Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings**

1. Policy Sub-Committee and the Superintendent develop a District Wellness Policy for the school that may include the distribution of condoms to students. (Boutin)
2. Athletic Hall of Fame (O'Hare)
3. Superintendent's Wall (O'Hare)
4. Superintendent examine feasibility regarding card swipe security for each employee and associated cost to implement same. (Giggey)
5. Superintendent research the probability of adding modular classrooms to the campus to develop comprehensive academic programs at Greater Lowell Technical High School.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

### **COMMITTEEPERSON MOTION**

There were no committeeperson motions.

## **REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

There was no report of sub-committees.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Bahou requested a motion to enter into executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(2) – to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with the following nonunion personnel:

- Nonunion personnel
- District Treasurer
- Senior Assistant Principal
- Assistant Principals
- Assistant Superintendent/Principal

**MOTION:** by Mr. LeMay, seconded by Mr. Morin to enter into executive session.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

The meeting ended to go into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m. with a roll call vote of 8 present.

The meeting reconvened at 7:11 p.m. with a roll call vote of 8 present.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Sheehan to approve a \$7,000 salary increase beginning the 2022-2023 school year for the Media Technician.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**MOTION:** by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve a \$5,000 salary increase beginning the 2022-2023 school year for the two senior Worksite Aides.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**MOTION:** by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Sheehan to approve the following:

- 2.5% salary increase for 2022-2023 for the non-contractual employees.
- 2.5% salary increase for 2022-2023 for the District Treasurer.
- 2.5% salary increase for 2022-2023 for the Senior Assistant Principal.
- 2.5% salary increase for 2022-2023 for the Assistant Principals.
- 2.5% salary increase for 2022-2023 for the Asst. Superintendent/Principal.
- 2.5% salary increase for 2022-2023 for the Superintendent-Director.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Giggey, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

Respectfully submitted,



Colette Edmonds

Recording Secretary

**Meeting Documents:**

Meeting Notice

Agenda

Minutes for Approval:

March 22, 2022

March 2022 Cooperation Education Report

Copy of Proposed F23 School Committee Dates

Year-to-Date Budget Report