

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

May 16 2019 – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Members

Present: Mr. Boutin, Mr. Giggey, Mr. LeMay, Mr. Morin, Mr. Sheehan,
Mr. Tatseos

Members Absent: Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare

Also

Present: Joseph Mastrocola, Superintendent-Director
Jill Davis, Assistant Superintendent/Principal
Sue Reece, Payroll Administrator
Michael Maccaro, Legal Counsel
Recording Secretary

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There were no public appearances.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no School Committee communications.

REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Student Representative Mya Medina gave an update of upcoming and recently held events.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Boutin to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 11, 2019.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

The warrant was distributed to the Committee for their approval and signature.

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to waive the reading of the warrant.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

MOTION: by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Morin to approve expenditures for the sum of \$7,067,264.78 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2069-C	dated 03/29/19	Payroll Warrant #687	1,042,960.98
Warrant 2070-A	dated 04/12/19	Payroll Warrant #689	935,063.07
Warrant 2070-B	dated 04/26/19	Payroll Warrant #691	1,001,345.30
Warrant 2071-A	dated 05/10/19	Payroll Warrant #693	923,989.52
Warrant 2070	dated 04/05/19	Accounts Payable Warrant	1,271,168.61
Warrant 2070-1	dated 04/19/19	Accounts Payable Warrant	185,599.95
Warrant 2070-2	dated 04/19/19	Mar 2019 Lowell Five	20.00
Warrant 2070-3	dated 04/19/19	Accounts Payable Warrant	39,830.55
Warrant 2070-4	dated 04/19/19	Mar 2019 Bank of America	632.06
Warrant 2070-5	dated 04/19/19	Replacement Check Warrant	3,386.00
Warrant 2070-6	dated 04/19/19	Mar 2019 Sales & Meals Tax	1,334.59
Warrant 2071	dated 05/03/19	Accounts Payable Warrant	1,398,282.22
Warrant 2071-3	dated 05/03/19	Lowell Five Debit Warrant	385.00
Warrant 2071-1	dated 05/17/19	Accounts Payable Warrant	260,893.14
Warrant 2071-6	dated 05/17/19	Apr 2019 Bank of America	665.98
Warrant 2071-5	dated 05/17/19	Apr 2019 Sales & Meals Tax	1,145.48
Warrant 2071-4	dated 05/17/19	Lowell Five Debit Warrant	562.33

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Attorney Maccaro informed the committee that the Department of Education had approved the amendment to the regional agreement. The next step is to obtain approval from Dracut, Dunstable & Tyngsboro Town Meetings and approval from the Lowell City Council.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR

Superintendent Mastrocola asked Assistant Superintendent/Principal Jill Davis to introduce the top 10 students.

Superintendent Mastrocola informed the committee that Greater Lowell currently has 198 senior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of April 30, 2019. This represents 39% of the Class of 2019 and is an increase from last year. We also have 80 junior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities.

Superintendent Mastrocola informed the committee that Greater Lowell was recently awarded a \$92,750 Improving Student Access to Behavioral and Mental Health Services Grant.

Superintendent Mastrocola informed the committee that Greater Lowell was recently awarded an \$18,000 grant from the Gene Haas Foundation.

Superintendent Mastrocola informed the committee that Greater Lowell was recently awarded a \$500 Gro More Good Grassroots Grant from the Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation.

Superintendent Mastrocola asked for approval of the 2019-2020 School Calendar.

MOTION: by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

Superintendent Mastrocola asked for approval for 8 students and 4 advisors to attend the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, Kentucky from June 24 – June 29 2019.

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Boutin to approve the travel request for 8 students and 4 advisors to attend the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, Kentucky from June 24 – June 29, 2019.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

Superintendent Mastrocola asked for approval for Paul McNeil to attend the Apple AP Training Camp in Austin, Texas, which will enable him to teach AP courses.

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Boutin to approve the travel request for Paul McNeil to attend the Apple AP Training Camp in Austin, Texas

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Garabedian could not attend the meeting so Ms. Reece and Superintendent Mastrocola present the report of the Business Manager.

Ms. Reece asked for approval of transfers in the amount of \$378,412.

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Mr. Boutin to approve transfers in the amount of \$378,412 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

Superintendent Mastrocola asked the committee to approve the meeting date of May 30, 2019 for the OPEB Board meeting.

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Sheehan to approve the meeting date of May 30, 2019 for the OPEB Board meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

OLD BUSINESS

Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings

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

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sheehan asked the Superintendent if technical certificates were given to students at graduation recognizing their completion of requirements in their technical area.

Mr. Sheehan asked the Superintendent if a discount was offered to Greater Lowell graduates to attend Adult Ed courses to further their education in their technical area.

ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Sheehan to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. O'Hare)

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Gosselin
Recording Secretary

Meeting Documents:

Meeting Notice

Agenda

Minutes for Approval:

April 11, 2019

April 2019 Cooperative Education Report

Grant Award Letters

Proposed 2019-2020 School Calendar

Memo from Ms. Cyr Regarding Out-of-State Travel

Information Regarding Mr. McNeil's Out-of-State Travel

Memo from Mr. Garabedian Regarding Budget Transfers and OPEB Board Meeting

Email from Mr. Costa Regarding SkillsUSA Medal Winners

Copy of Thank You Letter from American Legion

Copy of Donation Thank You Letter

Copy of Letter to Greater Lowell Charitable Foundation Regarding Athletic Hall of Fame

Year-to-Date Budget Report

Report of Student Representative Dated May 16, 2019