

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

May 10, 2018 – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Espinola called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. and announced that the meeting was being recorded.

ROLL CALL

Members

Present: Mr. Bahou, Mr. Boutin, Mr. Espinola, Mr. Giggey, Mr. LeMay,
Mr. Morin, Mr. O'Hare, Mr. Tatseos

Also

Present: Joseph Mastrocola, Superintendent-Director
Jill Davis, Assistant Superintendent/Principal
Billie Jo Turner, School Business Administrator
David Bradley, District Treasurer
Recording Secretary

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There were no public appearances.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no School Committee communications.

REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Student Representative Gabriel Pena was unable to be at the meeting. The Superintendent distributed the student representative's report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. LeMay to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 12, 2018.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

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: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. LeMay to approve expenditures for the sum of \$6,439,467.23 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2040-1	dated 04/20/18	Accounts Payable	289,397.67
Warrant 2050-5	dated 04/30/18	Accounts Payable	1,885.00
Warrant 2050	dated 05/04/18	Accounts Payable	1,192,914.95
Warrant 2040-B	dated 04/20/18	Payroll Warrant #639	945,623.82
Warrant 2050-A	dated 05/11/18	Payroll Warrant #641	854,677.63
Warrant 2040-3	dated 04/20/18	March 2018 Meals/Use Tax	949.77
Warrant 2040-4	dated 04/20/18	March 2018 Bank of America	608.80
Warrant 2040-5	dated 04/20/18	Apr. 2018 Lowell 5 Debit Card	25.00
Warrant 2050-2	dated 05/04/18	Lowell Five Pell	6,758.00
Warrant 2050-3	dated 05/04/18	May 2018 Lowell 5 Debit Card	3,681.56

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Attorney Long will be requesting Executive Session for a grievance hearing and an update on negotiations.

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 190 senior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of April 30, 2018. This represents 38% of the Class of 2018. Also, there are 83 junior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of April 30, 2018, representing 16% of the junior class.

Superintendent Mastrocola asked for approval of the 2018-2019 School Calendar.

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Boutin to approve the 2018-2019 School Calendar as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Mastrocola informed the Committee that the Department of Education requires the School Committee to vote whether or not they will allow participation in the School Choice Program. He told the Committee that a School Choice student would not be accepted until the wait list was exhausted or if an enrolled student moved out of the district and wanted to continue at Greater Lowell.

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to accept the School Choice Program for the 2018-2019 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Mastrocola requested approval to accept a donation to the Athletic Department of a lane line reel and lane lines from the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lowell with an approximate value of \$1,500.

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to accept a donation to the Athletic Department of a lane line reel and lane lines from the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lowell with an approximate value of \$1,500.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Mastrocola asked for approval for 5 students and 3 staff members to attend the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, Kentucky from June 25 – June 30 2018

MOTION: by Mr. LeMay, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to approve the travel request for 5 students and 3 staff members to attend the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, Kentucky from June 25 – June 30, 2018.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER

There was no report of the Business Manager.

OLD BUSINESS

Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings

1. fOne-Man, One-Vote requirement. (Boutin)
2. fPolicy Sub-Committee and the Superintendent develop a District Wellness Policy for the school that may include the distribution of condoms to students. (Boutin)
3. fAthletic Hall of Fame (O'Hare)
4. fKouloheras Dedication (O'Hare)
5. fSuperintendent's Wall (O'Hare)
6. fAlternative Energy Subcommittee meet to discuss the possibility of securing additional net metering credits. (Boutin)
7. fSuperintendent examine feasibility regarding card swipe security for each employee and associated cost to implement same. (Giggey)
8. fSuperintendent to report on our co-op program with an emphasis on what we are doing to increase the number of students out on co-op. (Boutin)
9. fSuperintendent provide a report on the admissions process and procedures for this year with comparative data from the past 5 years. Info to be included but not limited to are number of applicants, numbers of initial acceptance, cut off scores, additional acceptance after testing and wait list. (Boutin)

Mr. Boutin said #'8 could be removed from the Outstanding Items list.

COMMITTEEPERSON MOTIONS

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Boutin to have the Superintendent research the probability of adding modular classrooms to the campus to develop comprehensive academic programs at Greater Lowell Technical High School.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded Mr. Boutin to approve the report of the April 12, 2018 Legal Search Sub-Committee meeting.


ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Boutin to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Gosselin
Recording Secretary

Meeting Documents:

Meeting Notice

Agenda

Minutes for Approval:

April 12, 2018

April 2018 Cooperative Education Report

Proposed 2018-2019 School Calendar

Memo from Mr. White Regarding a Donation

Year-to-Date Budget Report

Report of the Student Representative dated May 10, 2018