

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

May 18, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Morin called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members

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

Also

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

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

Mark Byrne spoke on behalf of the Administrators' Association regarding the hiring of the new superintendent.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no School Committee communications.

REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Student Representative Anthony Blatus gave an update of upcoming and recently held events.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Espinola to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 13, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Espinola to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 11, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 26, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Tatseos, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 27, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the minutes from the meeting of May 2, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

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

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Boutin to approve expenditures for the sum of \$3,674,124.41 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2028-1	dated 04/21/17	Accounts Payable	576,504.59
Warrant 2028-5	dated 04/26/17	Accounts Payable	66,076.61
Warrant 2028-6	dated 04/27/17	Accounts Payable	1,743.00
Warrant 2029	dated 05/12/17	Accounts Payable	924,354.03
Warrant 2029-1	dated 05/19/17	Accounts Payable	312,612.40
Warrant 2028-B	dated 04/28/17	Payroll Warrant #587	914,782.23
Warrant 2029-A	dated 05/12/17	Payroll Warrant #589	876,471.31
Warrant 2028-3	dated 04/21/17	Meals/Sales Tax	1,119.98
Warrant 2028-4	dated 04/21/17	Bank of America	460.26

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

There was no report of General Counsel.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR

Vice Chair Morin and Superintendent Bourgeois presented Shelby Nato, who recently passed MCAS, with her diploma.

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

Superintendent Bourgeois asked for approval for 9 students and 4 staff members to attend the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, Kentucky from June 19 – June 24 2017.

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Espinola to approve the travel request for 9 students and 4 staff members to attend the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, Kentucky from June 19 – June 24, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Bourgeois asked for approval for 5 instructors to attend the Great Minds Institute in New York from August 15 – June 18 2017.

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the travel request for 5 instructors to attend the Great Minds Institute in New York from August 15 – June 18 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Bourgeois informed the committee that Greater Lowell currently has 185 senior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of April 30, 2017. This represents 39% of the Class of 2017 and is a 4% increase compared to last year's data. Also, there are 62 junior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of April 30, 2017, representing 12% of the junior class.

Superintendent Bourgeois asked for approval of the 2017-2018 School Calendar.

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Bahou to approve the 2017-2018 School Calendar as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Bourgeois 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. Espinola, seconded by Mr. Boutin to accept the School Choice Program for the 2017-2018 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER

Ms. Turner asked for approval of transfers in the amount of \$21,451.50.

MOTION: by Mr. Espinola, seconded by Mr. Boutin to approve the request for transfers in the amount of \$21,451.50.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Ms. Turner informed the committee that the Business Office had been revising the financial reports provided to the School Committee. The revised report will better inform the committee as to Greater Lowell's financial position each month.

Ms. Turner asked for approval to surplus damaged tables and chairs.

MOTION: by Boutin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the surplus of damaged tables and chairs as presented.

ROLL VALL VOTE: 8 Yes

OLD BUSINESS

Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings

1. ²Visitors' locker room/storage area near football field. (Boutin)
2. ²One-Man, One-Vote requirement. (Boutin)
3. ²Policy Sub-Committee and the Superintendent develop a District Wellness Policy for the school that may include the distribution of condoms to students. (Boutin)
4. Athletic Hall of Fame (O'Hare)
5. ²Kouloheras Dedication (O'Hare)
6. ²Superintendent's Wall (O'Hare)
7. ²Research the possibility of starting an Associate Degree program at GLTHS. (Bahou)
8. ²Alternative Energy Subcommittee meet to discuss the possibility of securing additional net metering credits. (Boutin)

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: by Mr. Lemay, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to suspend the rules to allow public input.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Mr. Peterson, a Dracut parent spoke regarding the hiring of the new superintendent.

COMMITTEEPERSON MOTIONS

MOTION: by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Espinola to have the Superintendent provide a review of the rates for the use of facilities.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to go into Executive Session for negotiations update.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

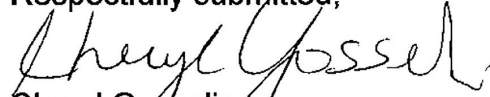
The meeting reconvened at 8:39 with a roll call vote of 6 present. Mr. LeMay and Mr. O'Hare were absent.

ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Bahou to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Gosselin
Recording Secretary

Meeting Documents:

Meeting Notice

Agenda

Minutes for Approval:

April 13, 2017

April 11, 2017

April 26, 2017

April 27, 2017

May 2, 2017

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

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

April Cooperative Education Report

Proposed 2017-2018 School Calendar

List of Transfers

List of Equipment to Surplus

MISCELLANEOUS ENCLOSURES

Year-to-Date Budget Report

Student Representative Report Dated May 18, 2017