

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

March 8, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Boutin called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

Chairman Boutin stated that in accordance with 940 CMR 29.10 (remote participation) adopted by the Greater Lowell Technical School Committee April 17, 2014, Committeeman LeMay will be participating at tonight's meeting remotely due to geographic distance.

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
Chad Fallon, Director of Technology, Enrollment & Information
Recording Secretary

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There was no public appearance.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Boutin informed the committee that they had received thank you notes from Mr. Jones and Mr. O'Connor for flowers sent to the services for the passing of their family member.

REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: by Mr. Espinola, seconded by Mr. Giggey to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 16, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Tatseos, seconded by Mr. Morin to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 27, 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. Morin, seconded by Mr. Bahou to waive the reading of the warrant.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve expenditures for the sum of \$2,244,137.27 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2026-1	dated 02/24/17	Accounts Payable	307,505.39
Warrant 2027-2	dated 03/03/17	Accounts Payable	8,811.00
Warrant 2027	dated 03/10/17	Accounts Payable	1,024,465.67
Warrant 2027-A	dated 03/03/17	Payroll Warrant #579	900,603.03
Warrant 2026-4	dated 02/24/17	Meals/Sales Tax	1,189.53
Warrant 2027-3	dated 03/10/17	Lowell 5 Pell	785.00
Warrant 2027-4	dated 03/10/17	Bank of America	777.65

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

There was no report of General Counsel.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR

Superintendent Bourgeois stated that Greater Lowell had the pleasure of hosting an event on the past Friday that Governor Baker and the Workforce Skills Cabinet attended to highlight and present capital skills grants to 32 schools. Greater Lowell received \$466,000 to equip our engineering and CADD programs with equipment for a high tech lab.

Superintendent Bourgeois informed the committee that Greater Lowell currently has 182 senior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of February 28, 2017. This represents 38% of the Class of 2017 and is a 1% increase compared to last year's data. Also, there are 30 junior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of February 28, 2017, representing 6% of the junior class.

Superintendent Bourgeois asked for approval of the 2017-2018 School Committee Meeting schedule. Discussion took place with changes made to some of the proposed meeting dates.

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the 2017-2018 School Committee Meeting schedule as revised.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Superintendent Bourgeois and Mr. Fallon presented and reviewed the response to Mr. Boutin's motion regarding the District's use of print and social media in advertising the school for enrollment as well as the use of paid social media for attracting students and parents. Mr. Fallon also showed the committee the new recruitment video.

Superintendent Bourgeois asked for Executive Session at the end of the meeting for negotiations for non-union personnel.

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER

Ms. Turner asked for approval of transfers in the amount of \$430,737.12.

MOTION: by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Bahou to approve the request for transfers in the amount of \$430,737.12.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

OLD BUSINESS

Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings

1. _Visitors' locker room/storage area near football field. (Boutin)
2. _One-Man, One-Vote requirement. (Boutin)
3. _Policy 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. _Kouloheras Dedication (O'Hare)
6. _Superintendent's Wall (O'Hare)
7. _Review our current sports program to see if additional teams are needed and make recommendations for the upcoming budget season. (Boutin/O'Hare)
8. _Report from the Superintendent on the District's use of print and social media in advertising the school for enrollment. Update to include the use of paid social media for attracting students and parents. (Boutin)

Mr. Boutin said that #8 could be removed from the outstanding items list.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Boutin stated that it was time for the annual re-organization of the Board to be effective April 1, 2017.

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. LeMay to nominate Mr. Morin for Chairman.

Chairman Boutin asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he stated that nominations were closed.

BALLOT VOTE: Number of votes cast was 8. Mr. Morin received 8. (Mr. LeMay voted vocally after ballots were passed in.)

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to nominate Mr. Espinola for Vice Chairman.

Chairman Boutin asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he stated that nominations were closed.

BALLOT VOTE: Number of votes cast was 8. Mr. Espinola received 7, Mr. Mr. Tatseos received 1. (Mr. LeMay voted vocally after ballots were passed in.)

MOTION: by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Boutin to nominate Mr. Bahou for Secretary.

Chairman Boutin asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he stated that nominations were closed.

BALLOT VOTE: Number of votes cast was 8. Mr. Bahou received 8. (Mr. LeMay voted vocally after ballots were passed in.)

Mr. Boutin stated there would be an Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss pending litigation.

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

MOTION: by Mr. LeMay, seconded by Mr. Bahou to approve the February 16, 2017 Building Committee meeting report.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to go into Executive Session for negotiations for non-union personnel.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

MOTION: by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Morin to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

The meeting reconvened at 10:17 with a roll call vote of 8 present.

ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Giggey, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Gosselin
Recording Secretary

Meeting Documents:

Meeting Notice

Agenda

Minutes for Approval:

February 16, 2017

February 27, 2017

February Cooperative Education Report

2017-2018 Proposed School Committee Meeting Schedule

Memo from Mr. Fallon in Response to Mr. Boutin's Request (#8 under Old Business)

List of Non-Contractual Employees

Draft Contracts for the following non-union personnel:

District Treasurer

Senior Assistant Principal

Director of Human Resources

Assistant Principal

List of Transfers

Report of the February 16, 2017 GLTHS Building Committee Meeting

Year-to-Date Budget Report

Student Representative Report Dated March 8, 2017

**Greater Lowell Technical School Committee
Election of Officers
March 8, 2017**

Office: Chairperson

Number of votes cast: 8

Number of votes to elect: 5

Candidate: Paul Morin

1. 8 Elected

**Greater Lowell Technical School Committee
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Office: Vice-Chairperson

Number of votes cast: 8

Number of votes to elect: 5

Candidate: Joseph Espinola, III

1. 7 Elected

**Greater Lowell Technical School Committee
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Office: Secretary

Number of votes cast: 8

Number of votes to elect: 5

Candidate: Fred Bahou

1. 8 Elected