

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

January 21, 2016 – 6:30 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Bahou called the meeting to order at 6:37 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  
John McCarthy, North Reading Transportation  
Betty Sharry, North Reading Transportation  
Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC APPEARANCE**

There was no public appearance.

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no School Committee communications.

**REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Student Representative Victoria Gibbs gave an update of upcoming and recently held events.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to approve the minutes from the meeting of December 16, 2015.

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. Boutin to waive the reading of the warrant.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes

**MOTION:** by Mr. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Morin to approve expenditures for the sum of \$9,359,993.46 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2012-1	dated 12/24/15	Accounts Payable	5,343,918.15
Warrant 2013	dated 01/08/16	Accounts Payable	1,039,903.73
Warrant 2013-1	dated 01/22/16	Accounts Payable	256,950.06
Warrant 2012-B	dated 12/24/15	Payroll Warrant #517	940,400.19
Warrant 2013-A	dated 01/08/16	Payroll Warrant #519	843,240.45
Warrant 2013-B	dated 01/22/16	Payroll Warrant #521	930,159.03
Warrant 2012-4	dated 12/24/15	Lowell Five (PELL)	66.00
Warrant 2012-5	dated 12/24/15	Sales Use/Meals Tax	1,005.43
Warrant 2013-2	dated 01/08/16	Lowell Five (PELL)	3,175.00
Warrant 2013-3	dated 01/08/16	Sales Use/Meals Tax	1,175.42

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL**

There was no report of General Counsel.

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR**

Superintendent Bourgeois introduced Girls Basketball Coach Brian Martin who presented senior player Catherine Sweeney who recently reached her career milestone of 1,000 points.

Superintendent Bourgeois informed the committee that Greater Lowell currently has 172 senior students participating in cooperative education employment opportunities as of December 31, 2015. This represents 37% of the Class of 2016 and is a 1% increase compared to last year's data.

Superintendent Bourgeois provided an update on the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Open House that was held on January 13, 2016.

Superintendent Bourgeois informed the committee that an updated superintendent's evaluation plan was included in the package. The updated plan includes new information regarding the development of a communication plan with timelines and benchmarks.

**REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER**

Ms. Turner provided an update on the FY17 budget process including a timeline.

Ms. Turner provided an update on the school transportation contract. She informed the committee that our current transportation company, North Reading Transportation was the only bidder. While rates have increased 19.5% the rate still falls below the average costs obtained from a MASBO survey. John McCarthy and Betty Sharry from North Reading Transportation answered questions from the committee.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to award a 3-year contract with two 1-year renewal options to North Reading Transportation in the amount of \$2,052,370 beginning July 1, 2016.

**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. ¶Request the Superintendent review the student application process to see if it can be completed electronically. (Boutin)

**REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the December 16, 2015 Building Committee meeting report.

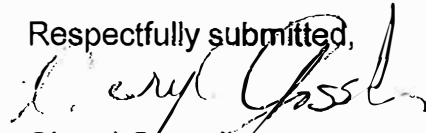
**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. O'Hare to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Gosselin  
Recording Secretary