

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL  
SPECIAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
&  
PUBLIC HEARING

March 26, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman O'Hare called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. .

**ROLL CALL**

Members

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

Mr. Espinola arrived after roll call.

Also

Present: Roger Bourgeois, Superintendent-Director  
George Garabedian, School Business Administrator  
Cheryl Gosselin, Recording Secretary

Chairman O'Hare 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.

Chairman O'Hare asked for a motion to recess the regular meeting in order to open the Public Hearing for the FY16 budget.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. Boutin to recess the regular meeting

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 7 Yes, 1 Absent (Mr. Espinola)

**MOTION:** by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Morin to open the Public Hearing at 6:06 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 7 Yes, 1 Absent (Mr. Espinola)

Chairman O'Hare asked if there was anyone from the public wishing to speak on the FY16 budget. There was no one to speak on the FY16 budget.

**MOTION:** by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. Boutin to close the Public Hearing at 6:07 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

Chairman O'Hare then asked Mr. Garabedian to recap the FY16 budget.

Mr. Garabedian provided a recap of the FY16 budget which is based on the Chapter 70 aid and minimum required contribution. The proposed FY16 budget of \$38,085,640 represents a 1.4% increase over the FY15 operating budget.

**MOTION:** by Tully, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to approve the preliminary FY16 budget of \$38,085,640 with the understanding that the budget may need to be revised when the Commonwealth of Massachusetts adopts its fiscal budget for FY2016.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**MOTION:** by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. Tatseos to go into Executive Session for pending litigation.


**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** by Mr. LeMay, seconded by Mr. Boutin to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 8 Yes

Respectfully submitted,

  
Cheryl Gosselin  
Recording Secretary