



GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

June 20, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sheehan called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members

Present: Mr. LeMay, Mr. Gitschier, Mr. Bahou, Mr. Morin, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Sheehan

Members Absent: Mr. Nocco

Also

Present: Jill Davis, Superintendent-Director
Michael Barton, Assistant Superintendent/Principal
Atty. Michael Maccaro, Legal Counsel
Recording Secretary

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There was no public appearance.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no School Committee communications

REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Chairman Sheehan informed the members that the Student Representative was unable to be in attendance and the report has been provided.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve the minutes from the meeting of May 16, 2024.

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

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to waive the reading of the warrant.

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

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve expenditures for the sum of \$10,273,276.51 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2131C	dated 04/19/2024	Payroll # 957	1,540,737.58
Warrant 2132A	dated 05/03/2024	Payroll # 959	1,339,788.65
Warrant 2132LS	dated 05/17/2024	Payroll # 959	4,431,825.20
Warrant 2131-1	dated 04/26/2024	Accounts Payable	873,698.10
Warrant 2131-2	dated 05/10/2024	Accounts Payable	176,466.67
Warrant 2132	dated 04/16/2024	Accounts Payable	1,144,495.79
Warrant 2132-6	dated 05/10/2024	Sales Use/Meals Tax	3,104.55
Warrant 2132-4	dated 05/10/2024	Mass Bay Health	\$760,290.07
Warrant 2132-5	dated 04/26/2024	Lowell Five Cr Card Fees	2,869.90

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

REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

There was no report of general counsel.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR

Superintendent Davis informed the committee that the first item on her agenda was the Cooperative Education report which indicated a total of 130 junior students representing 23% of the class of 2025. Ms. Davis added year end data on the senior students which included over 50% of seniors having had a co-op opportunity and 43% of seniors having been out on co-op as of the end of April.

Superintendent Davis asked for the committee's approval of the proposed School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding for the 2024-2025 school year. Ms. Davis noted a copy of the proposed MOU was included for their review and asked if there were any questions before looking for approval.

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve the School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding.

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

Superintendent Davis informed the committee that she would be seeking their approval of the proposed 2024-2025 Greater Lowell Technical School of Practical Nursing Student Handbook. Ms. Davis noted a copy of the proposed handbook was included for their review and briefly highlighted the proposed changes. Superintendent asked if there were any questions before looking for approval.

MOTION: by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve the 2024-2025 Greater Lowell Technical School of Practical Nursing Student Handbook.

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

Superintendent Davis asked Assistant Superintendent/Principal Michael Barton to join the meeting to present and review the proposed 2024-2025 Athletic Handbook, Policies on Head Injuries & Concussions, Student Handbook, and the School Improvement Plan before asking for individual item approval.

Mr. Barton provided a brief summary of the proposed changes for each individual item, providing clarification and answering questions before asking for their approval.

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. LeMay to approve the 2024-2025 Athletic Handbook.

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

MOTION: by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve the 2024-2025 Policies on Head Injuries & Concussions in Extracurricular Athletics Handbook.

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

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve the 2024-2025 School Improvement Plan.

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

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve the 2024-2025 Student Handbook.

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

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER

School Business Administrator Mr. Knight provided the committee with an explanation of the budget line transfers request and asked for approval totaling in the amount of \$1,158,486.94.

MOTION: by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Morin to approve the budget line item transfers.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings

1. Superintendent's Wall (O'Hare)
2. Building Security (Sheehan)

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

COMMITTEEPERSON MOTION

There were no committeeperson motions.

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

There was no report of sub-committees.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Sheehan requested a motion to enter into three (3) executive sessions. The first is pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares - Broderick v. Greater Lowell Technical High School MCAD # 22BEM00087/ EEOC 16C-2002-00694. The second is pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares for the following groups: Support Personnel and Custodial Personnel; and the third is pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(2) – to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel – Title I Facilitator.

MOTION: by Mr. Morin, seconded by Mr. Bahou to enter into executive session.

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

Chairman Sheehan announced there may be a potential vote on ratification discussed during executive session; therefore, the committee would be returning to open session.

The meeting ended to go into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. with 7 present (1 absent, Mr. Nocco). The meeting reconvened at 7:28 p.m. with a roll call vote of 7 present (1 absent, Mr. Nocco).

MOTION: by Mr. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Bahou to approve the three-year contract for the Greater Lowell Educational Support Staff for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027.

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

MOTION: by Mr. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Morin to approve the three-year contract for the Custodial Personnel for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027.

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

MOTION: by Mr. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve the three-year contract for the Title I Facilitator for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027.

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

ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Hogan to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Colette Edmonds
Recording Secretary

Meeting Documents:

Meeting Notice

Agenda

Minutes for Approval: May 16, 2024

May 2024 Cooperation Education Report

Copy of Proposed 2024-2025 Practical Nurse Program Student Handbook

Copy of Proposed 2024-2025 Student Handbook

Budget Transfer Request

Year-to-Date Budget Report