

GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.
CENTRAL OFFICE, ROOM 11/HYBRID

Mission Statement: Our mission is teaching and learning.

Board Goals: In a richness of cultures and with a respect for all, (1) Provide Dynamic Rigorous Curriculum, (2) Ensure Effective and Engaging Instruction, and (3) Embrace Excellent Learning Environment.

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. RECOGNITION AND PARTICIPATION OF VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS

A. Martin Luther King Scholarship Recipient – Mahi Patel

III. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS RE: AGENDA ITEMS AND OTHER SUBJECTS OF CONCERN THAT LIE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - This is the portion of the agenda where the Board welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to five minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Board members will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and cannot respond during the Comments of Citizens' portion of the Board meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the podium and state their names and addresses for the record.

IV. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

V. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

VI. SUPERINTENDENT AND ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

A. Superintendent & Assistant Superintendent Report

1. School News

B. Reports and Information from the Staff

1. Interim Director of Finance

- Narrative ([Attachment #1](#))
- General Fund Financial Report ([Attachment #2](#))
- Health Insurance Report ([Attachment #3](#))
- Utilities Report ([Attachment #4](#))

2. Director of Buildings and Grounds

- Update re: School Facilities

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Policy
- B. Curriculum
- C. Finance/Facilities
- D. Other
 - LEARN
 - Athletic Fields
 - Trails
 - Library

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consent Agenda – all matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Points of clarification will be allowed.

- 1. Approval of the special meeting minutes of January 27, 2025 ([Attachment #5](#))
- 2. Approval of the special meeting minutes of February 3, 2025 ([Attachment #6](#))
- 3. Approval of the special meeting minutes of February 5, 2025 ([Attachment #7](#))
- 4. Approval of the special meeting minutes of February 10, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. ([Attachment #8](#))
- 5. Approval of the special meeting minutes of February 10, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m. ([Attachment #9](#))
- 6. Approval of the special meeting minutes of February 11, 2025 ([Attachment #10](#))
- 7. Approval of the special meeting minutes of February 12, 2025 ([Attachment #11](#))

B. Old Business

- 1. Discussion and possible action regarding a second reading of policy P 5131.81 Electronic Devices ([Attachment #12](#))

MOTION: To approve policy P 5131.81 Electronic Devices as a second reading.

- 2. Discussion and possible action regarding a second reading of policy P 3120 Budget Document ([Attachment #13](#))

MOTION: To approve policy P 3120 Budget Document as a second reading.

C. New Business

- 1. Discussion & possible action regarding compliance with Executive Order 14190: Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling

MOTION: To comply with the provisions of Executive Order 14190: Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling (Federal Register Citation: 90 FR 8853, Federal Register Document #2025-02232) until such time as it is amended or superseded and any other federal, state, and local regulations and that any policies or practices in violation are hereby null and void.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd)

C. New Business (Cont'd)

2. Discussion & possible action regarding rescinding policy P 4118.112/P 5145.5 Prohibition of Sex Discrimination approved on January 7, 2025 and reinstate policies P 4118.112 & P 5145.5 Sexual Harassment revised on January 25, 2021 ([Attachment #14](#) and [Attachment #15](#))

MOTION: To rescind policy P 4118.112/P 5145.5 Prohibition of Sex Discrimination approved on January 7, 2025 and reinstate policies P 4118.112 & P 5145.5 Sexual Harassment revised on January 25, 2021.

3. Discussion & possible action regarding transferring the nurses' expenditures to DoD Supplemental Impact Aid

MOTION: To approve the transferring of the nurses' expenditures to DoD Supplemental Impact Aid

IX. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS (Non-Action Items)

- A. Letters, communications, and comments by Board members on meeting items and any other items in their jurisdiction.

X. ADVANCE PLANNING

- A. Future Meeting Dates and Calendar Items for Board Attention

Date	Meeting	Location	Time
March 4	Finance/Facilities Committee	CO, Room 11	6:00 p.m.
March 3	Curriculum Committee	CO, Room 11	6:00 p.m.
March 10	COW	CO, Room 11	6:00 p.m.
March 11	Policy Committee	CO, Room 11	6:00 p.m.
March 17	COW	CO, Room 11	6:00 p.m.
March 24	Regular	CO, Room 11	6:00 p.m.

Meetings w/Town Bodies:

March 6	PSBC	Town Hall Annex, CR 2	6:00 p.m.
March 20	PSBC	Town Hall Annex, CR 2	6:00 p.m.

- B. Suggested Agenda Items

XI. ADJOURNMENT