# **GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### June 12, 2025 - 6:30 P.M.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Morin called the school committee meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and announced Committeeman Nocco would be participating at tonight's meeting remotely.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members

Present: Mr. Richardson, Mr. Sheehan, Mr. LeMay, Mr. Nocco, Mr. Gitschier, Mr. Morin

Members Absent: Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan (absent @ roll call - arrived @ 6:47 p.m.),

Also

<u>Present:</u> Jill Davis, Superintendent-Director

Michael Barton, Assistant Superintendent/Principal Michael Knight, School Business Administrator

**Recording Secretary** 

#### **PUBLIC APPEARANCE**

There was no public appearance.

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no School Committee communications

#### REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Chairman Morin informed the committee that the student representative was unable to be at the meeting and the report has been provided to the members.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Sheehan to approve the minutes from the meeting of

May 15, 2025.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

## REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

**MOTION**: by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. LeMay to approve expenditures for the sum of

\$9,813,884.94 allocated as follows:

Warrant 2144A	dated 05/02/2025	Payroll # 1005	1,383,340.01
Warrant 2143C	dated 05/16/2025	Payroll # 1007	1,625,600.91
Warrant 2144LS	dated 04/25/2025	Accounts Payable	4,601,406.04
Warrant 2144M	dated 05/09/2025	Accounts Payable	2,682.58
Warrant 2143-1	dated 05/09/2025	Mass Bay Health	520,885.03
Warrant 2144	dated 05/09/2025		886,451.31
Warrant 2144-2	dated 05/09/2025		787,485.15
Warrant 2144-3	dated 06/20/2025	Sales Use/Meals Tax	2,897.26
Warrant 2144-4	dated 06/06/2025	Lowell Five Cr Card Fees	3,136.65

**ROLL CALL VOTE**: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

## **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 98 junior students representing 18% of the class of 2026. Ms. Davis added year end data which included a slight increase to approximately 19-20%.

Superintendent Davis asked for the committee's approval of the proposed School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding for the 2025-2026 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. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to approve the School Resource Officer

Memorandum of Understanding.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**: 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

Superintendent Davis asked Assistant Superintendent/Principal Michael Barton to join the meeting to present and review the proposed 2025-2026 Athletic Handbook, Policies on Head Injuries & Concussions, 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. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve the 2025-2026 Athletic

Handbook.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

**MOTION:** by Mr. Gitschier, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve the 2025-2026 Policies on Head

Injuries & Concussions in Extracurricular Athletics Handbook.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

Assistant Superintendent/Principal Barton provide an overview of the proposed School Improvement Plan, noting that the development of the plan is a collaborative effort between several groups including parents, teachers, counselors, community members, staff, school administration and students. Mr. Barton noted that the plan encompasses five (5) broad goals ranging all academic & technical performance to student activities. The five individual goals focused on the following: use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in educational settings; improving employability-related instruction, assessment and rubric development/implementation; expanding and refining authentic, inclusive, and adaptive assessments; implementing and enhancing the My Career and Academic Plan (MyCAP) process to support college/career planning; and continuing to celebrate diversity, foster inclusivity, and strengthen school-community connections. Asst. Superintendent/Principal Barton reviewed and highlighted each goal in their entirety, following up with any questions before asking for their approval.

MOTION: by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve the 2025-2026 School

Improvement Plan.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

#### 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 \$1,140,034.

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 6 Yes, 2 Absent (Mr. Bahou, Mr. Hogan)

## **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings**

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

School Committeeman Sheehan announced that with the Juneteenth holiday falling on a Thursday this year, he asked to make a motion to close the building on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> to extend the weekend.

MOTION: by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Gitschier to close the school building on Friday, June

20, 2025.

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

#### **COMMITTEEPERSON MOTION**

There were no committeeperson motions.

## **REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

There was no report of sub-committees.

## **ADJOURN**

**MOTION**: by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. LeMay to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Colette Edmonds
Recording Secretary

#### **Meeting Documents:**

Meeting Notice Agenda

Minutes for Approval: May 15, 2025
May 2025 Cooperation Education Report
Copy of Proposed 2025-2026 Athletic Handbook

Copy of Proposed 2025-2026 Policies on Head Injuries & Concussions in Extracurricular Athletics Handbook

Copy of Proposed 2025-2026 School Improvement Plan

Budget Transfer Request Year-to-Date Budget Report