

**SPECIAL MEETING
GRISWOLD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
February 9th, 2026**

GBE approved 2/12/2026

1. Call to Order - A special meeting of the Griswold Board of Education was held on Monday, February 9th, 2026, in the Griswold Middle Library Media Center/Learning Commons, located on the second floor of Griswold Middle School, 211 Slater Avenue, Griswold, CT. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Stuart Norman, Jr., Griswold Board of Education Chair.

PRESENT

Stuart Norman, Jr., BOE Chair; Terry Cholewa, BOE Vice Chair; Kimberly Neilson (arrived at 6:02 PM), BOE Secretary; Yvonne Palasky, Jaimee O'Neill-Eaton, Cathy Waselik and Eileen Ego, Griswold BOE Members.

ALSO PRESENT

Sean McKenna, Griswold Superintendent of Schools; Glenn LaBossiere, GPS Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Christopher Champlin, GPS Director of Student Services; Erik Christensen, GPS Director of Fiscal & Personnel Services; Erin Palonen, GHS Principal; Louis Zubek, GMS Principal; and Joseph Bordeau, GES Principal.

ABSENT

2. Pledge of Allegiance – The Board and administration performed the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Budget Workshop with Griswold Board of Education Members on the Initial Budget Proposal for the 2026/2027 School Year – The Board deliberated on the initial budget proposal for the 2026/2027 school year and voted to adopt a budget of \$34,555,848, which reflects an increase of \$1,634,990 over last year's budget with a percentage increase of 4.97%.
4. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on the 2026/2027 Initial Budget Proposal for the 2026/2027 School Year

MOTION

By Cathy Waselik
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To adopt the budget amount of \$34,555,848 for the initial budget proposal for the 2026/2027 school year with a 4.97% increase.

MOTION

By Cathy Waselik
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To amend the motion and adopt the budget amount of \$34,555,848 for the initial budget proposal for the 2026/2027 school year with a dollar amount increase of \$1,634,990, which reflects a 4.97% increase.
Motion unanimously carried.

5. Adjournment

MOTION

By Cathy Waselik
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM.
Motion unanimously carried.