

GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
AD HOC LONG-TERM SPACE PLANNING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 24, 2026 @ 5:00 P.M.
CENTRAL OFFICE, ROOM 11/HYBRID

MEMBERS PRESENT: Adrian Johnson, Mitch Shinbrot (arrived @ 5:08 pm), Ian Thomas (remote), Jennifer White

ALSO PRESENT: Susan Austin, Sam Kilpatrick, Anne Marie Mancini, Rita Parciak, Denise Doolittle

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

1. Discuss Charge of the Committee – Adrian Johnson read the charge of the committee.
2. Discuss Next Steps – Buildings identified with the most needs are Groton Middle School, Charles Barnum Elementary School, and the vintage wing at Fitch High School. The committee also discussed space for robotics as a need and will ask the Board of Education Chairperson if this topic could be included in the charge of the committee. The committee would like to invite Peter Bass, Samantha Singleton, and middle school classroom teachers to attend the next meeting to discuss the needs of the middle school.
3. Identify Date of Next Meeting – To be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.