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GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017

TOWN HALL ANNEX, CR 1

AGENDA

Mission Statement

Our mission is teaching and learning

Board Goals

1. Provide Dynamic Rigorous Curriculum
2. Ensure Effective and Engaging Instruction
3. Embrace Excellent Learning Environment

I. CALL TO ORDER

6:00 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. RECOGNITION AND PARTICIPATION OF VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS

- Recognition of Holly Conlon as the 2017 Governor's Scholar
- Presentation of State Legislative Citations (Rep. de la Cruz)
- American Heart Presentation of the CPR Kit

C. 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 Comments from Citizens' portion of the Board meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the podium and state their names and addresses for the record.

II. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

III. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

IV. SUPERINTENDENT AND ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- Superintendent Report
 - Update regarding the FY 18 budget

A. REPORTS AND INFORMATION FROM THE STAFF

1. Assistant Superintendent Report
2. Business Office
 - Object Code Summary Report
 - Health Insurance Report
3. Director of Buildings and Grounds Report
4. Director of Human Resources
 - Business Office Reorganization

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Facilities *	Town & City Councils/RTM/BOE
Policy	GEA/AGSA/BOE Liaison
Curriculum *	Groton Scholarship
Negotiations	CABE
LEARN	Trails Liaison
Groton Parent Council	Ad Hoc Middle School Program Review

* These committees have been incorporated into the COW that meets on the third Monday of the month until the completion of the pilot in June.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under Item V.A. (Consent Agenda) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Points of clarification will be allowed.

- Approval of Minutes
 - March 27, 2017 (Regular Meeting)
 - March 29, 2017 (Special Meeting)
- Approval of Gifts
 - YouCause, LLC Trustee for Pfizer Foundation (Peter Fairbank) has made a donation of \$70.53 to the Fitch High School Fencing Team.
 - Home Salon and Spa has made a donation of \$720.00 to the Groton Public Schools Summer Meal Program.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding approval as a first reading policy P 6131.6 Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco Products.

MOTION: To approve as a first reading policy P 6131.6 Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco Products.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding approval as a first reading policy P 6172.4(a) Title I Parent Involvement.

MOTION: To approve as a first reading policy P 6172.4(a) Title I Parent Involvement.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding approval as a first reading policy P 6146.1 (a-c) Examination/Grading.

MOTION: To approve as a first reading policy P 6146.1 (a-c) Examination/Grading.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of a modification to the 2017-2018 School Calendar of an Early Release Day on October 17, 2017.

MOTION: To approve a modification to the 2017-2018 School Calendar of an Early Release Day on October 17, 2017.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding the Futures Education Transportation Study regarding Special Education.

MOTION: To approve the Futures Education Transportation Study regarding Special Education.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding the closing of Pleasant Valley School at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

MOTION: To approve the closure of Pleasant Valley School at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

4. In his capacity as Superintendent, Dr. Graner recommends that the Board of Education non-renew the teaching contracts of non-tenured teachers who would expect to achieve tenure in the years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.

He made this recommendation for the following reason:

- a massive reduction in the FY 18 budget.

He stated that the above identified teachers will be advised prior to this meeting that he intended to make this recommendation, and if the Board takes action, has the right under

Connecticut General Statutes §10-151 to request the reasons for the Board's action to non-renew their contracts of employment.

MOTION: To approve, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §10-151, that the Groton Board of Education non-renew the teaching contracts of non-tenured teachers who would expect to achieve tenure in the years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.

It is further moved that the Superintendent of Schools be directed to communicate this action of the Board in writing to the above identified teachers, and further, that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to respond on behalf of the Board of Education to any request which may be forthcoming from the above identified teachers or their representative pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §10-151.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding teacher/administrator retirement incentive.

MOTION: To approve the teacher/administrator retirement incentive.

VII. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS (Non-Action Items)

- A. LETTERS, COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS ON MEETING ITEMS AND ANY OTHER ITEMS IN THEIR JURISDICTION

VIII. ADVANCE PLANNING

- A. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND CALENDAR ITEMS FOR BOARD ATTENTION

May 1, 2017	Policy Committee	C.O., Rm. 5	5:00 p.m.
May 8, 2017	COW	C.O., Rm. 11	6:00 p.m.
May 15, 2017	COW	C.O., Rm. 11	6:00 p.m.
May 18, 2017	Groton Scholarship Fund	FHS	5:15 p.m.
May 22, 2017	BOE	THA, CR 1	6:00 p.m.
May 31, 2017	Groton Parent Council	Cutler Middle	5:30 p.m.

MEETING DATES WITH THE RTM ON THE BUDGET:

May 18, 2017	RTM Ed Committee		
	Re: budget	Sr. Ctr.	7:00 p.m.

- B. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS

IX. ADJOURNMENT