

# Granby Public Schools

## Office of the Superintendent



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### School Committee Meeting Minutes December 14, 2021, 7:15 P.M.

#### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE:**

Ms. Jennifer Bartosz, Chairperson; Ms. Stephanie Parent, Vice-Chairperson; Ms. Jennifer Mallette; Ms. Audrey Siudak; Ms. Jill Pelletier

#### **ADMINISTRATION:**

Mr. Stephen Sullivan, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Adam Tarquini, Director of Finance & Operations; Members of the Senior Leadership Team

**GRANBY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE: (Absent)** Cheryl Denette  
(President of GEA)

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:(Absent)** Markus Baran

#### I. Call to order:

Consent Agenda:

A. VOTE: Minutes: November 30, 2021

**MOTION:** Ms. Siudak motioned to approve the minutes from November 30, 2021, seconded by Ms. Mallette

**VOTE:** All in favor (5-0-0)

\*\*\*\*\***Adjourn to workgroup meetings**

**The meeting reconvened at 7:16 PM**

#### II. Workgroup Meetings:

##### 1. Community Relations: Ms. Bartosz & Ms. Parent

The community relations subcommittee discussed ways to reach the community. Should a survey be sent on how households would like to be reached regarding information from the schools and school committee? Should they meet in person, by email, telephone, or social media? They asked what it was the community would like to be informed about. They are hoping to engage more of the community and are looking for outlets to do so.

##### 2. Policy Sub-Committee: Ms. Siudak & Ms. Pelletier

The policy subcommittee met and discussed Policy D which is Fiscal Management and Policy I which is Service Animals in Schools. They discussed establishing a timeline for evaluations and having a shared public document for information regarding evaluations and the findings. In the near future, the formative and summative assessments will be discussed.

III. Visitors Comments:

Any citizen wishing to speak before the Committee must sign in with the Administrative Assistant prior to the opening of the Regular Session of the School Committee. The visitor will identify themselves by name and address and shall speak for no longer than three (3) minutes. (See Granby Public School Committee Policy BEDG).

There were no visitors to this meeting.

IV. Student Representative Report: (Absent) Markus Baran

V. Granby Educators' Association Report: (Absent) Cheryl Denette

VI. Continuing Business:

A. Mask Update

There have been no new updates to the mask policies.

B. Winter Sports Spectator Plan

To comply with the Board of Health and for the safety of all only home fans will be allowed at Granby winter sports events until further notice. The topic will be discussed again sometime in January.

**MOTION:** Ms. Mallette motioned to implement the home fan only spectator plan, seconded by Ms. Pelletier

**VOTE:** All in favor (5-0-0)

VII. Standing Reports:

A. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Sullivan

Mr. Sullivan informed the committee of some of the events that have and will be taking place. There is a half-day of school on December 23rd. There is another vaccination clinic being held on January 8th from 8:00-2:00 in the East Meadow gymnasium. Project lead the way received a \$10,000 grant which will be used for a new class to be taught on cyber-security.

B. Finance & Operations Report:

Mr. Tarquini

The lightning strike issues have almost been resolved. There are only a few more things being worked on and then the paperwork will be submitted to the insurance company. There was an issue with the generator regarding the power outage a few weeks ago. There will be a simulated outage done on December 27th to be sure that the generators are up and running. There have been some boilers issues that are also being worked on.

The ESSER 3 grant was submitted and now waiting to submit the procurement policy. The schools are in the last year of their contract with Chartwell's and will be up to bid late winter early spring.

C. Collaborative of Educational Services (CES):

Ms. Pelletier

The C.E.S. will meet again in January.

**MOTION:** Ms. Siudak motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Pelletier

**VOTE:** All in favor (5-0-0)

### **Granby Public Schools Mission Statement**

In the Granby Public Schools, we focus on the whole child, to develop a community that empowers every student to become civically engaged, service-minded, responsible, intellectually curious, and prepared individuals engaged in our culturally diverse and global community. We encourage the respectful and constructive exchange of feedback within and outside our schools as a pathway to continuous improvement, leading to fearless learning.

### **Granby Public Schools Vision Statement**

We believe that relationships matter. We believe in the promise of every child, in the purpose every child brings to learning, and in the passion every child possesses. We believe that learning is about the growth of all aspects of the child - social, emotional, physical, and intellectual.

### **Granby Public Schools Strategic Goals**

Goal #1: Develop and implement (P)K-12 curricula, supported by authentic learning in all content areas.

Goal #2: Granby Public Schools leadership team will exemplify transparency and trustworthiness, and engage with all members of the school district and community.

Goal #3: Provide the necessary technology to support curricular needs.

Goal #4: Develop modern facilities that support authentic learning environments.

The Granby Public School Committee would like the opportunity to hear the wishes and ideas of the public. Therefore, the Committee has set aside a period of time at each School Committee meeting to hear from the public on issues that affect the school district and are within the scope of the Committee's responsibilities. Visitors wishing to address the School Committee must do so adhering to the guidelines and specifications as outlined in Granby Public School Policy BEDG. A copy of the full policy can be found at or by contacting the Superintendent's office at 413-467-7193.

"Please be advised that this meeting will be video and audiotaped as well as televised" [Per MGL Ch. 30A sect. 20(e) anyone wishing to video or audio record an open session of the school committee meeting must notify the Chairperson. We request such notification five (5) days prior to the meeting date.]

### ***Every Student Every Classroom Every Day***

*The Granby Public Schools strives to provide a safe, respectful, and supportive learning environment in which all students can thrive and succeed in its schools. The Granby Public Schools prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, gender identity, religion, disability, national origin, sexual orientation, or homelessness and ensures that all students have equal rights of access and equal enjoyment of the opportunities, advantages, privileges, and courses of study.*