

GREATER LOWELL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

February 10, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Laferriere called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Members

Present: Mr. Bahou, Mr. Laferriere, Mr. Morin, Mr. O'Hare, Mr. Olson, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Tully

Mr. Lenzi was absent.

Also

Present: Mary Jo Santoro, Superintendent-Director
Robert Lussier, Assistant Superintendent/Principal
George Garabedian, School Business Administrator
David Bradley, District Treasurer
William Mulligan, Tyngsborough Police Chief
Steven Manning, Tyngsborough Police Officer
Cheryl Gosselin, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There were no public appearances.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no School Committee communications.

REPORT OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Student Representative Ashley Hillson gave a report of upcoming and recently held events.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. O'Neill to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 13, 2011.

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

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

District Treasurer David Bradley distributed the Warrants to the Committee for their approval and signature.

MOTION: by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. O'Neill to approve expenditures for the sum of \$2,828,227.39 allocated as follows:

Warrant 1823-1	dated 01/28/11	Accounts Payable	185,370.33
Warrant 1829	dated 02/11/11	Accounts Payable	1,016,495.04
Warrant 1823-B	dated 01/28/11	Payroll Warrant #261	823,960.57
Warrant 1829-A	dated 02/11/11	Payroll Warrant #263	796,057.94
Warrant 1829-M	dated 02/01/11	Payroll Warrant #261-M	6,815.31
Warrant 1829-V	dated 02/11/11	Payroll Warrant #263-V	(1,360.74)
Warrant 1830	dated 02/11/11	January Meals Tax	430.65
Warrant 1831	dated 02/11/11	Bank of America	358.29
Warrant 1828	dated 01/21/11	Accounts Payable Precut	100.00

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

REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Attorney DiPietro requested Executive Session for a grievance hearing.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR

Superintendent-Director Santoro asked for approval for the varsity baseball team to go to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY. The proposed date for the trip is April 21 2011.

MOTION: by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. Olson to approve the request for the Varsity Baseball Team to go to the Baseball Hall of Fame as presented.

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

Superintendent-Director Santoro asked for approval for culinary senior students to go on a field trip to Southern Maine Community College in South Portland, Maine on April 15, 2011.

MOTION: by Mr. Bahou, seconded by Mr. Tully to approve the request for culinary senior students to go on a field trip to Southern Maine Community College in South Portland, Maine on April 15, 2011.

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

Next Superintendent-Director Santoro asked for approval for junior and senior cosmetology students to attend the International Beauty Show in New York on March 8, 2011.

MOTION: by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. O'Neill to approve the request for junior and senior cosmetology students to attend the International Beauty Show in New York on March 8, 2011.

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

Superintendent-Director Santoro asked for approval to accept a donation of miscellaneous items from F.W. Webb Company to the HVAC-R department. A list of the items to be donated was included in the package.

MOTION: by Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Tully to accept the donation from F.W. Webb as presented with consideration to be given to the oil tank.

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

The next item was the discussion of creating a position for a School Resource Officer through the Tyngsborough Police Department. Superintendent Santoro asked Tyngsborough Police Chief Mulligan and Tyngsborough Police Officer Steve Manning to come to the table to provide information regarding the School Resource Officer position. Chief Mulligan stated that the position would be shared with the Tyngsborough schools. He will work with Greater Lowell in an effort to try to find grant money to fund this position. After much discussion on this subject Superintendent Santoro told the Committee that she would be working closely with Chief Mulligan to try to find grant money and would keep the Board informed on the progress.

Superintendent-Director Santoro informed the Board that the Winter Sports Awards night would be held on Wednesday, March 9.

Superintendent-Director Santoro informed the Board that MASC would be holding its annual Day on the Hill on March 29, 2011.

Lastly, Superintendent Santoro asked for approval for the Annual Report to be sent to the feeder communities to be included in their town reports.

MOTION: by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. Olson to approve the Annual Report to be sent to the feeder communities to be included in their town reports.

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

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Garabedian provided an update on the projected first draft of the FY12 budget. A Finance Sub-Committee meeting will be scheduled some time prior to the March 9 School Committee meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

MOTION: by Mr. Tully, seconded by Mr. Olson to go into Executive Session for a grievance hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 7 Yes 1 Absent (Mr. Lenzi)

The meeting will reconvene for adjournment purposed only. No votes will be taken.

ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. O'Neill to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 Yes, 3 Absent (Mr. Lenzi, Mr. O'Hare, Mr. Tully)

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Gossett
Recording Secretary