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1. A regular meeting of the Griswold Board of Education was held on Thursday, June 27th, 2024, in the Griswold Middle School Cafeteria, located on the first floor, 211 Slater Avenue, Griswold, CT. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mary Beth Malin, Griswold Board of Education Chair.

PRESENT Mary Beth Malin, Griswold BOE Chair; Yvonne Palasky, Griswold BOE Vice-Chair, Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton, Griswold BOE Secretary; Stuart Norman, Jr., Martin Osga, Jennifer Norman and Cathy Waselik, Griswold BOE Members.

ALSO PRESENT Sean McKenna, GPS Superintendent of Schools; Deborah Martin, GPS Director of Fiscal & Personnel Services; Thomas Verville, GPS Facilities Director; Jessica Gillespie, GPS Director of Instructional Improvement – Innovation; and Patricia Feeney, GPS Director of Instructional Improvement – Learner Diversity.

ABSENT Glenn LaBossiere, GPS Assistant Superintendent; Christopher Champlin, GPS Director of Student Services; Steve Cravinho, GPS Campus Wide Activities & Athletic Director; Erin Palonen, GHS Principal; Art Howe, GHS Associate Principal; Louis Zubek, GMS Principal; Jeffrey Parkinson, GMS Assistant Principal. Joseph Bordeau, GES Principal and Jacqueline Love, GES Assistant Principal.

Pledge of Allegiance -The Board and the audience performed the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. Special Meeting – June 3rd, 2024

MOTION By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Cathy Waselik
To approve the special meeting minutes of June 3rd, 2024, as presented.
Ayes – Mary Beth Malin, Yvonne Palasky, Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton, Martin Osga, Jennifer Norman and Cathy Waselik.
Nays –
Abstain – Stuart Norman, Jr.
Motion carried.

- B. Special Meeting – June 5th, 2024

MOTION By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Cathy Waselik
To approve the special meeting minutes of June 5th, 2024, as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

3. Communications

- A. June 7, 2024, Letter from Stephen Morelli, State of Connecticut, Workers' Compensation Commission, commending Griswold Public Schools' Safety & Health Committee
 - B. Thank You Note from GPS Retiree, Jan Wilson
- The Board received a copy of communications A and B listed above.

4. Recognitions – None.

5. Public Comments – There were no requests for public comment this evening.

6. Consent Agenda (All routine items can be approved with one motion and without discussion. Points of clarification and discussion requests can be allowed.) – There were no items on the consent agenda this evening.

- A. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Revised Policy #5142.41 – Students – Armed Security Guard, Second Reading
- B. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Revised Regulation #5142.41 – Students – Armed Security Guard, Second Reading
- C. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Revised Policy #5112 – Students – Age of Attendance/Admissions/Placement, Second Reading
- D. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on New Policy #6142.104 – Instruction – Play Based Learning

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O'Neill-Eaton
To approve the consent agenda, as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

7. New Business

- A. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve Proposed Griswold Boys' Basketball Field Trip, from December 26th, 2024 – December 31st, 2024

MOTION

By Jaimee O'Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Cathy Waselik
To approve the proposed Griswold Boys' Basketball field trip from December 26th, 2024 – December 31st, 2024.
Motion unanimously carried.

- B. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold Elementary School

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Martin Osga
To approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold Elementary School.
Motion unanimously carried.

C. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold Middle School

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold Middle School.
Motion unanimously carried.

D. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold High School

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Martin Osga
To approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold High School.
Motion unanimously carried.

E. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold Soule Street Academy

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To approve the Facilities Check-Lists for Griswold Soule Street Academy.
Motion unanimously carried.

F. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Master Agreement between PowerAd and the Griswold Board of Education

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To approve the Master Agreement between PowerAd and the Griswold Board of Education.
Ayes – Mary Beth Malin, Yvonne Palasky, Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton, Martin Osga, Cathy Waselik
Nays – Stuart Norman, Jr. and Jennifer Norman
Abstain –
Motion carried.

G. Review, Discussion, and Possible to Ratify the Contract between the Griswold Board of Education and Municipal Employees Union Independent Local 506, SEIU, AFL-CIO for Paraeducators, July 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2027*

H. Review, Discussion, and Possible to Ratify the Contract between the Griswold Board of Education and Griswold Custodians, Municipal Employees Union Independent, Inc., Local 504, SEIU, for July 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2027*

I. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Revise the Job Title & Description for Director of

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Technology *

- J. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Job Title & Description for the Network Specialist*
- K. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Job Title & Description for Technology Solutions Specialist*
- L. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Job Title & Description for the Data Specialist*
- M. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the Non-Bargaining Unit Proposed Increases, effective July 1, 2024*

- N. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Extend and Approve the Contract for the Director of Fiscal and Personnel Services for the 2024/2025 School Year*
- O. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Extend and Approve the Contract for the Assistant Superintendent for the 2024/2025 School Year*
- P. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on the Evaluation for the Superintendent of Schools*
- Q. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Extend and Approve the Superintendent's Contract for the 2024/2025 School Year*

The Board will review New Business, items G – Q in executive session following the regular business portion of this meeting.

- R. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the BOE Meeting Dates for the 2024/2025 School Year and to Act on the BOE Summer Meeting Schedule – The Board approved the meeting dates for the upcoming 2024/2025 school year. BOE Chair, Mary Beth Malin, reported that she will be canceling the upcoming BOE meetings for July 11 and 25 and August 8. She indicated that the next BOE meeting will be on August 22, 2024 unless there is a need to have a meeting prior to August 22nd. She also shared that the subcommittee meetings will resume in September and that there will be no meetings over the summer unless there is a need to hold one.

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky

Seconded by Jaimee O'Neill-Eaton

To approve the Board of Education meeting dates for the 2024/2025 school year.

Motion unanimously carried.

8. Old Business

- A. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the K-12 Science Curriculum – The Board reviewed and approved the new K-12 Science curriculum

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky

Seconded by Cathy Waselik

To approve the K-12 Science Curriculum, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

9. Administrator's Reports

- A. Financial Forecast for Fiscal Year, 2024—Deb Martin, Director of Fiscal and Personnel Services - The Board received an update from Deb Martin, GPS Director of Fiscal & Personnel Services, on the current status of the 2023/2024 school budget.

10. Superintendent's Report

- A. Vacancies/Appointments/Resignations – The Board received an update on the vacancies, appointments, and resignations.
- B. Superintendent's 2023/2024 Year in Review Report – The Superintendent provided a year in review report to the Board, which included a list of accomplishments and developments for the Griswold Public Schools.

11. Committee/Board Reports

- A. Athletic Subcommittee Meeting—Martin Osga - The Board received an update from Chair – Martin Osga - on the recent meeting that took place with the Athletic subcommittee.
- B. Facilities Subcommittee Meeting—Martin Osga - The Board received an update from Chair – Martin Osga – on the recent meeting that took place with the Facilities subcommittee.
- C. Negotiations Subcommittee Meeting - Mary Beth Malin – BOE Chair, Mary Beth Malin, shared that the items covered by the Negotiations subcommittee will be reviewed in executive session this evening.
- D. Town of Griswold Board of Finance Meeting—Mary Beth Malin – The Board received an update from BOE Chair, Mary Beth Malin, on the recent Griswold Board of Finance meeting that took place.

12. Other Business That May Properly Come Before this Board – No other business was recorded this evening.

MOTION

By Jennifer Norman

Seconded by Yvonne Palasky

To move into executive session at 6:40 PM for the purpose of review of new business items G – Q.

Jennifer Norman rescinded her motion and revised it as follows:

MOTION

By Jennifer Norman

Seconded by Yvonne Palasky

To move into executive session at 6:40 PM for the purpose of review of new business items G – Q, inviting Superintendent, Sean McKenna, and Director of Fiscal & Personnel Services, Deborah Martin.

Motion unanimously carried.

The Board came out of executive session at 7:27 PM.

New Business G:

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton

Seconded by Yvonne Palasky

To ratify the contract between the Griswold Board of Education and Municipal Employees Union Independent Local 506, SEIU, AFL-CIO for Paraeducators, July 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2027, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

New Business H:

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky

Seconded by Jennifer Norman

Ratify the Contract between the Griswold Board of Education and Griswold Custodians, Municipal Employees Union Independent, Inc., Local 504, SEIU, for July 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2027, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

New Business I:

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton

Seconded by Yvonne Palasky

To Revise the Job Title & Description for Director of Technology, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

New Business J:

MOTION

By Cathy Waselik

Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton

To approve the job title & description for the Network Specialist, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

New Business K:

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton

Seconded by Yvonne Palasky

To approve the job title & description for Technology Solutions Specialist, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

New Business L:

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky

Seconded by Cathy Waselik

To approve the job title & description for the Data Specialist, as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

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MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Cathy Waselik
To approve the non-bargaining unit proposed increases, effective July 1, 2024, as proposed.
Motion unanimously carried.

New Business N:

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Cathy Waselik
To extend and approve the contract for the Director of Fiscal and Personnel Services for the 2024/2025 School Year, as proposed.
Motion unanimously carried.

New Business O:

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To extend and approve the Contract for the Assistant Superintendent for the 2024/2025 School Year, as proposed.
Motion unanimously carried.

New Business P:

No action taken.

New Business Q:

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Cathy Waselik
To extend and approve the Superintendent’s Contract for the 2024/2025 School Year
Motion unanimously carried.

Adjournment

MOTION

By Cathy Waselik
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To adjourn the regular Board of Education meeting at 7:31 PM.
Motion unanimously carried.

Minutes recorded by: Robin Drobiak/Sean McKenna