

## **Regular Board of Education Meeting**

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021 7:00 PM**

**High School Auditorium\* \*All attendees must wear masks and maintain social distance. This meeting is also available via Zoom. Details can be found on the agenda on the Granby Public Schools' website.**

### **I. Administrative Reports**

#### **A. Chairman's Corner (5 min.)**

*Goals: Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Rationale:** Ms. Sarah Thrall, Board Chair, will share opening remarks.

#### **B. Superintendent's Announcements (5 min.)**

*Goals: Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Rationale:** Dr. Jordan Grossman, Superintendent, will provide district updates.

#### **C. Schools in the Spotlight (15 min.)**

*Goals: Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Attachments:**

Virtual Activities "At" GMHS

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**Rationale:**

Mr. Brian Maltese, Athletic Director, and Ms. Lauren Shafer, English Teacher at the high school as well as The Bears Broadcast Crew (Nick Boyd and Owen Danke) and Poetry Out Loud winners (Chase McGee, Prior Waskan and Linus Waskan) will showcase "Virtual Events "At" GMHS".

#### **D. Guest Legislators (30 min.)**

*Goals: Budget Development and Fiscal Management: Practice responsible budget development and management through transparency and maximize available financial resources through a balance of fiscal discipline and innovative educational investments.*

**Rationale:** Senator John Kissel, Senator Kevin Witkos and State Representative Mark Anderson will discuss educational issues as they relate to the State budget with the Board.

#### **E. Assistant Superintendent's Report (5 min.)**

*Goals: Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Rationale:** Ms. Jennifer Parsons, Assistant Superintendent, will provide updates from the Assistant Superintendent's office.

#### **F. Student Representative Reports (5 min.)**

*Goals: Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Rationale:** Mr. Jack DeGray and Mr. Jacob Scotto, Student Representatives, will report on activities taking place at the high school.

#### **G. Business Manager's Report (5 min.)**

*Goals: Budget Development and Fiscal Management: Practice responsible budget development and management through transparency and maximize available financial resources through a balance of fiscal discipline and innovative educational investments.*

**Attachments:**

January 2021 Statement of Accounts

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**Rationale:** Ms. Anna Robbins, Business Manager, will present the January statement of accounts.

## II. Public Comment

**Rationale:** Granby community engagement and attendance at BOE public meetings is welcomed. The Public Comment segment of the meeting agenda is set aside so the BOE may receive public comments. Procedurally, public remarks will be limited to about 5 minutes and citizens will be asked to identify themselves. Because the BOE is limited by the Freedom of Information Act to discussing only matters on the agenda, the BOE is not permitted to engage in a discussion of the comments presented.

## III. Consent Agenda (5 min.)

### A. Minutes

**Goals:** *Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Attachments:**

Approved Minutes 2-3-21

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**Rationale:** The Board will approve/amend the minutes of the February 5, 2021 Board of Education meeting.

## IV. Old Business

### A. FY22 Budget Update (5 min.)

**Goals:** *Budget Development and Fiscal Management: Practice responsible budget development and management through transparency and maximize available financial resources through a balance of fiscal discipline and innovative educational investments.*

**Rationale:** Dr. Jordan Grossman, Superintendent of Schools, will share an update on the development of the FY22 Budget with the Board.

## V. New Business

### A. Graduation Date (5 min.)

**Goals:** *Community Engagement: Enhance communication and build trusting relationships with all stakeholders.*

**Attachments:**

2020-2021 Calendar (Rev. 2-2-21)

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**Rationale:** The Board will discuss setting the date for high school graduation on Friday, June 11, 2021, as recommended by the Superintendent.

## VI. Miscellaneous (20 min.)

### A. Board Standing Committee Reports

#### 1. Curriculum/Policy/Technology/Communication

**Attachments:**

Curriculum SC Minutes 2-3-21

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#### 2. Finance/Personnel/Facilities

### B. Other Board-Related Reports

#### 1. CREC/CABE

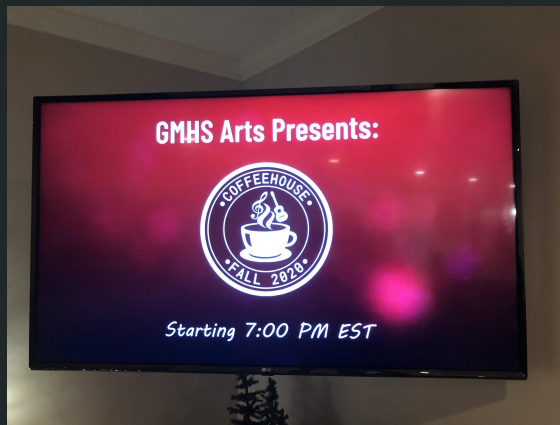
#### 2. Granby Education Foundation

### C. Calendar of Events

### D. Board Member Announcements

**E. Action Items**

**VII. Executive Session/Non-Meeting**



# Virtual Activities “At” GMHS

Board of Education Schools in the Spotlight  
Wednesday February 17, 2021



# Live Events by the Bears Broadcast Club

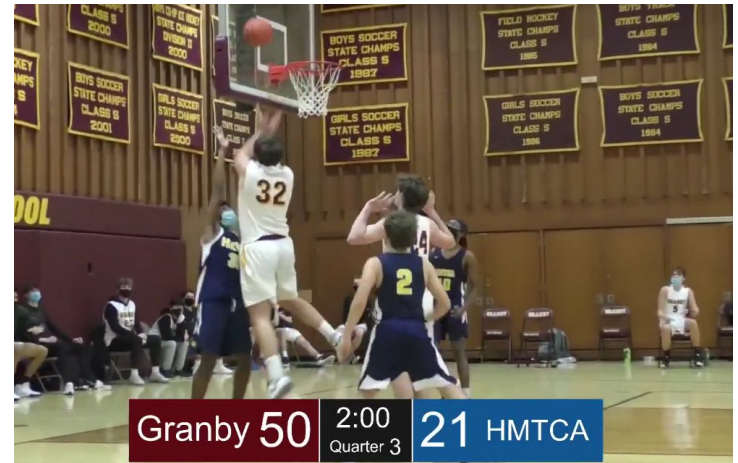
## Coffeehouse -

A multi-person crew and three cameras were used to film student soloists and bands in the auditorium.



## Sports -

Mounted and held cameras, announcers, and custom virtual scoreboard were used to give an authentic live sports experience to viewers in Granby and beyond



# Poetry Out Loud - Then & Now

- All students participate in their English class, reciting a single poem
- Class winners compete to become school finalists
- School finalists recite two poems
- Winner moves on to state competition to nationals
- Smaller school event
- Poetry Club hosted by Ms. Shafer and Ms. Quinn
- Regional competition
- State competition
- Video submissions

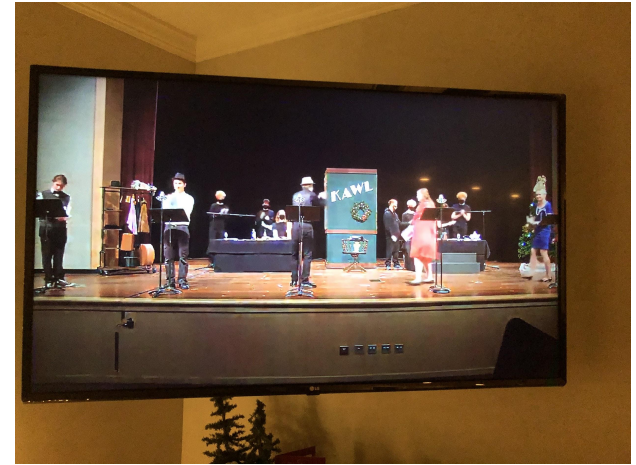
# Virtual Recitation - Prior Waskan



# Poetry In Motion - Chase McGee & the Bears Broadcast



*Questions?*



Jordan E. Grossman, Ed.D.  
*Superintendent of Schools*



Jennifer M. Parsons  
*Assistant Superintendent*

Aimee D. Martin  
*Director of Pupil Personnel Services*

Anna M. Robbins, SFO  
*Business Manager*

To: Granby Board of Education  
From: Anna Robbins, Business Manager  
Date: February 17, 2021  
Re: January 2021 Statement of Accounts

The January 2021 statement of accounts continues to reflect the forecast of the cost of reopening schools with protocols and materials that support a safe learning environment during the current pandemic.

After receipt of grant funds, the general fund forecast is negative \$71K. This forecast is worse than the previous month by \$9K. Special education is over-budget \$139K which is worse than the previous month by \$18K and regular education has a positive forecast of \$67K and is better than the previous month by \$9K. The fluctuation in special education is driven by adjustments to out-of-district tuition. Changes in the regular education forecast are due to adjustments to certified staff as we continue to monitor leaves of absence and personnel changes. These changes are offset by anticipated savings in general supplies, conferences and travel as well as dues and fees.

With five months remaining in the school year, the district will require all funds to be encumbered, where possible, by March 15, 2021. This practice allows the district to begin even more accurate forecasting for year-end.

The balance in the Quality & Diversity Fund is forecasted to be better than budgeted (\$62K). Expenses are projected to be \$129K lower than budgeted. The reduction is due to restrictions resulting from the pandemic. Savings are realized in the summer school program and related expenses, staff turnover and reduction in after-school activities. Revenues are projected to be lower than budgeted \$67K due to lack of summer school revenue and a reduction in pre-school enrollment.

The overall projection for revenue to the town is unfavorable \$90K. Special education revenue from other towns continues with a positive forecast. The per pupil expense used to calculate regular education tuition from other towns has been updated to \$17,068 which factors into the increase in the amounts currently anticipated and thereby generating a positive forecast of \$17K. The increase in per pupil expense also increases our stop loss amount and this, in turn, has the opposite effect on the forecast for the Excess Cost Grant which is worse than last month by \$23K.

**Granby Board of Education**  
**FY 2020-2021**  
**Statement of Accounts**  
**for the period ended**  
**January 31, 2021**

Description	Budget	Expended	Encumbered	Expended & Encumbered	Balance	January Forecast after Grants
<b>Certified Salaries:</b>						
Administration	1,725,527	1,049,418	659,088	1,708,506	17,021	4,443
Regular Education	10,843,343	5,003,747	5,580,483	10,584,229	259,114	151,599
Special Education	1,817,977	931,734	951,786	1,883,520	(65,543)	(72,133)
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,386,846</b>	<b>6,984,899</b>	<b>7,191,356</b>	<b>14,176,255</b>	<b>210,591</b>	<b>83,909</b>
<b>Substitute/Tutor/Support Salaries</b>						
Substitutes	8,000	2,594	0	2,594	5,406	0
Sped Support (Speech, O.T. & P.T.)	446,287	233,098	203,429	436,527	9,760	8,820
Tech Support	243,417	145,394	98,083	243,477	(60)	(59)
Tutors - Regular Education	36,329	13,301	10,401	23,702	12,626	4,209
Tutors - Special Education	21,583	17,984	0	17,984	3,599	(1,879)
<b>Total</b>	<b>755,616</b>	<b>412,371</b>	<b>311,913</b>	<b>724,284</b>	<b>31,331</b>	<b>11,091</b>
<b>Teaching Assistant Salaries:</b>						
Regular Education TA	303,433	158,373	159,907	318,280	(14,847)	(20,862)
Special Education TA	1,158,928	510,132	558,665	1,068,797	90,130	83,161
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,462,361</b>	<b>668,505</b>	<b>718,573</b>	<b>1,387,077</b>	<b>75,283</b>	<b>62,300</b>
School Secretaries' Salaries	638,886	351,306	283,093	634,399	4,487	(1,827)
Central Office Salaries	556,894	325,498	238,388	563,885	(6,991)	(10,238)
Custodial & Maintenance Salaries	1,319,033	895,990	627,122	1,523,113	(204,079)	(142,360)
Bus Monitors	0	65,945	63,344	129,289	(129,289)	(29,962)
<b>Total Salaries</b>	<b>19,119,636</b>	<b>9,704,514</b>	<b>9,433,789</b>	<b>19,138,302</b>	<b>(18,666)</b>	<b>(27,087)</b>
<b>Employee Benefits</b>	<b>5,296,197</b>	<b>3,199,204</b>	<b>2,132,883</b>	<b>5,332,087</b>	<b>(35,890)</b>	<b>(50,000)</b>
<b>Total Salaries &amp; Employee Benefits</b>	<b>24,415,833</b>	<b>12,903,718</b>	<b>11,566,671</b>	<b>24,470,389</b>	<b>(54,556)</b>	<b>(77,087)</b>

**Granby Board of Education**  
**FY 2020-2021**  
**Statement of Accounts**  
**for the period ended**  
**January 31, 2021**

Description	Budget	Expended	Encumbered	Expended & Encumbered	Balance	January Forecast after Grants
<b>Purchased Services:</b>						
Instructional Purchased Service	552,019	219,529	253,015	472,544	79,474	0
Administration Purchased Service	439,293	225,648	230,441	456,089	(16,796)	(25,000)
Maintenance Purchased Service	101,483	36,650	29,245	65,895	35,587	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,092,794</b>	<b>481,827</b>	<b>512,702</b>	<b>994,529</b>	<b>98,265</b>	<b>(25,000)</b>
Legal Services	55,000	27,512	27,489	55,000	0	0
<b>Repairs &amp; Maintenance:</b>						
Instructional Repairs & Maintenance	74,599	45,618	7,117	52,735	21,864	5,000
Administration Repairs & Maintenance	8,500	0	0	0	8,500	4,000
Maintenance Repairs & Maintenance	434,698	276,642	90,260	366,902	67,796	12,256
<b>Total</b>	<b>517,797</b>	<b>322,260</b>	<b>97,377</b>	<b>419,637</b>	<b>98,160</b>	<b>21,256</b>
<b>Transportation:</b>						
Transportation Regular Education	907,393	373,421	534,911	908,332	(939)	10,706
Transportation Special Education	704,616	58,853	571,929	630,782	73,834	94,251
Transportation Vocational Tech	89,268	26,946	54,726	81,672	7,596	10,818
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,701,276</b>	<b>459,221</b>	<b>1,161,565</b>	<b>1,620,786</b>	<b>80,490</b>	<b>115,775</b>
Insurance Property & Liability	102,700	76,406	24,160	100,566	2,134	0
Communications	91,781	53,232	23,961	77,193	14,588	5,000
<b>Tuition:</b>						
Tuition Special Education	1,469,896	600,546	1,027,499	1,628,046	(158,150)	(217,517)
Tuition Adult Education	11,967	10,016	0	10,016	1,951	1,951
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,481,863</b>	<b>610,562</b>	<b>1,027,499</b>	<b>1,638,062</b>	<b>(156,199)</b>	<b>(215,566)</b>
Conference & Travel Expense	73,131	7,681	4,794	12,475	60,656	15,000

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FY 2020-2021  
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Description	Budget	Expended	Encumbered	Expended & Encumbered	Balance	January Forecast after Grants
<b>General Supplies:</b>						
General Supplies Regular Education	317,570	158,310	52,082	210,392	107,178	49,469
General Supplies Special Education	27,316	10,552	5,819	16,371	10,945	0
General Supplies Administration	80,976	51,786	20,052	71,838	9,138	21,160
General Supplies Maintenance	141,372	210,538	5,023	215,561	(74,189)	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>567,234</b>	<b>431,186</b>	<b>82,976</b>	<b>514,163</b>	<b>53,071</b>	<b>70,629</b>
Electricity	409,049	171,703	216,702	388,405	20,644	15,000
Fuel/Natural Gas	156,352	53,200	115,280	168,480	(12,128)	(13,000)
Textbooks/Workbooks	140,217	72,444	4,976	77,420	62,797	0
Library/Media Center	63,336	39,890	6,871	46,761	16,575	0
Software	321,922	244,962	42,176	287,138	34,784	0
Dues & Fees	50,446	34,363	2,720	37,084	13,362	3,000
<b>Replacement Equipment:</b>						
Replacement Equip Instructional	2,500	67	135	202	2,298	0
Replacement Equip Administration	6,000	0	0	0	6,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,500</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>8,298</b>	<b>0</b>
Student Activities	794,519	239,737	205,699	445,436	349,083	13,500
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>32,043,750</b>	<b>16,229,971</b>	<b>15,123,753</b>	<b>31,353,724</b>	<b>690,026</b>	<b>(71,494)</b>
	<b>SPED</b>	5,729,962			<b>SPED</b>	(139,432)
	<b>GEN ED</b>	26,313,788			<b>GEN ED</b>	67,938
<b>Quality &amp; Diversity</b>	982,910	577,670	245,306	822,976	159,934	

**Granby Board of Education  
FY 2020-2021  
Statement of Accounts  
for the period ending  
January 31, 2021  
For Selected Special Education Accounts**

II. Expenditures	FY20-21 Budget	Expended & Encumbered	Balance	January 2020 Forecast	Change from Last Month Forecast	Grant Fund Application CRF	January Forecast after Grants
Legal Expense	27,500	27,500	0	0	0		0
Special Education Certified Staff	1,817,977	1,883,520	(65,543)	(72,133)	(6,340)	0	(72,133)
Teacher Assistants	1,158,928	1,068,797	90,130	83,161	(2,116)		83,161
Special Education Tutors	21,583	17,984	3,599	(1,879)	1,096		(1,879)
Evaluation, Therapy & Contracted Services	83,176	89,025	(5,849)	(34,135)	5,865		(34,135)
Sped Support (Speech, O.T., & P.T.)	446,287	436,527	9,760	8,820	0		8,820
Special Ed Transportation	704,616	630,782	73,834	74,958	0	(19,293)	94,251
Out of District Tuition	1,469,896	1,628,046	(158,150)	(217,517)	(16,704)		(217,517)
<b>Total Selected Special Education Accounts</b>	<b>5,729,962</b>	<b>5,782,181</b>	<b>(52,219)</b>	<b>(158,724)</b>	<b>(18,200)</b>	<b>(19,293)</b>	<b>(139,432)</b>

**Granby Board of Education  
 FY 2020-2021  
 Statement of Accounts  
 for the period ending January 31, 2021**

<b>I. Revenue</b>	<b>FY 2020-2021 Budget</b>	<b>Currently Anticipated</b>	<b>Received To Date</b>	<b>Full Year Forecast January</b>	<b>Changes from Last Month Forecast</b>
<b>Reg. Tuition from other Towns</b>	600,769	617,823	300,385	17,054	30,081
<b>SPED Tuition from other Towns</b>	413,079	456,273	0	43,194	0
<b>SDE Excess Cost Reimbursement</b>	503,911	404,342	0	(99,569)	(22,706)
<b>Rental Fees</b>	14,745	0	0	(14,745)	0
<b>Pay for Participation</b>	54,000	18,100	16,144	(35,900)	0
<b>Sub Total</b>	<u>1,586,504</u>	<u>1,496,538</u>	<u>316,528</u>	<u>(89,966)</u>	<u>7,375</u>

**Regular Board of Education Meeting – Approved Minutes  
February 3, 2021 7:00 p.m.  
High School Auditorium/Zoom**

Present Board Members: Jenny Emery (via Zoom), Mark Fiorentino, Melissa Migliaccio, David Peling, Sarah Thrall, Rosemarie Weber, Brandon Webster (via Zoom), and Jacob Scotto (Student Representative)

Absent Board Members: Jack DeGray (Student Representative)

Sarah Thrall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**I. Administrative Reports**

**I.A. Chairman's Corner**

Ms. Thrall shared opening remarks and stated hopefully everyone is rested after the snow day and remote day. She thanked the Facilities Department for all of their hard work with snow removal. Ms. Thrall also announced that Aimee Martin, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, is retiring at the end of the year and that the position is currently being advertised. She asked all Board members to let her know if they are interested in serving on the search committee.

**I.B. Superintendent's Announcements**

- Dr. Grossman welcomed all in-person and remote attendees to the meeting this evening.
- Currently, the last day of school is Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. With the snow day on Monday, 2 out of the 5 emergency days have been used. Dr. Grossman will come to the next meeting with a proposed date for graduation.
- Congratulations to 8<sup>th</sup> grader Mason Nagy for taking first place and 7<sup>th</sup> grader Beckett Malone for placing second in the National Geographic Geography Bee.
- Local legislators, Senators Kissel and Witkos and Representative Anderson, have been invited to the February 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting to discuss education issues as they relate to the state budget.
- The FY22 Administrative Budget will be presented at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Board Meeting.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents' Night will be held virtually on Thursday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- A Superintendent Community Conversation will be held from 8-9 a.m. via Zoom to discuss issues in the district as well as the budget.
- Will attend a PTO meeting in March and a middle school/high school PAC Meeting in April to discuss the budget with parents.
- The next SEPTO Meeting will be held on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Let Linda know if you would like to attend and she will send you the link.
- Updated staff last week as to where they stand with regard to vaccinations. Staff will be in category 1B and will be notified via an email from the State when to make an appointment.
- The food service program with East Granby Public Schools was supposed to begin Monday and Tuesday this week but today was the first day. Approximately 350 students have signed up for lunches this week.
- Kindergarten registration began on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Forms can be dropped off on February 11<sup>th</sup>. Currently 101 students are enrolled and we are projecting 125 students in Kindergarten for FY22.
- Aimee Martin, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, is retiring. A survey was sent out to staff. The search process is being developed and, as Ms. Thrall mentioned, a Board member is requested to serve on the search committee. Dr. Grossman congratulated Ms. Martin on her 20 years of service to Granby Public Schools.
- The Board of Finance Meeting scheduled for February 8<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to the delay of the state budget.
- A legislative breakfast will be held on February 11<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Please let Linda know if you would like to attend.
- The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **I.C. Assistant Superintendent's Report**

Ms. Jennifer Parsons, Assistant Superintendent, provided updates from the Assistant Superintendent's office and stated the district continues to communicate weekly regarding COVID and that all schools are in a great place. She stated she appreciates the work of the community in terms of monitoring symptoms and staying home when sick. Remote strategies were tried and tested yesterday and Ms. Parsons stated she received great reports from students and staff. She reported that curriculum work is well underway with the Vision of the Graduate with building on the Mission Statement and the elements of Powerful Thinker, Effective Collaborator and Compassionate Contributor and flushing out what that means and what those statements look like in a graphic. There will be a second meeting next week to go through some of these core ideas. Additionally, Ms. Parsons informed the Board that curriculum alignment work is beginning at middle levels and working out to elementary and high school levels. More information will be forthcoming with regard to world language and parceling out the development of secondary languages across course levels. Ms. Parsons stated with regard to Math, course progression is currently being reviewed. She informed the Board the district just received five consultation days with CREC consultants to work with coaches and teachers on great math mini-lessons through a grant from CREC. Sarah Thrall inquired what the timeline is for completion of the Vision of the Graduate. Ms. Parsons stated there will be three meetings scheduled which will be wrapped up by mid-March and at the end of these meetings, the three skill sets (Powerful Thinker, Effective Collaborator and Compassionate Contributor) will be broken down into three statements under each describing exactly what they mean. The following work will be lining up capstone experiences and ensuring these statements permeate all curriculum and instruction.

### **I.D. Student Representative Reports**

- Jacob Scotto reported mid-terms went well both online and in school and the second semester has officially begun.
- Everyone enjoyed the snow day and remote day this week. Students are ready to learn again.
- The first hockey game will be played away this Friday and girls' and boys' basketball games begin next week.
- Singing valentines are being sold this week.
- Choir program is going strong and a virtual concert will be coming out soon. Currently working on the audio and videos for the production.

### **II. Public Comment**

There were no public comments this evening.

### **III. Consent Agenda**

#### **III.A. Minutes**

A motion was made by Melissa Migliaccio and seconded by Rosemarie Weber to adopt the consent agenda. This motion passed unanimously at 7:14 p.m.

### **IV. Old Business**

#### **IV.A. FY22 Budget Update**

Dr. Jordan Grossman provide an update to the Board on the FY22 Budget. He stated last week, he attended the Board of Finance Meeting with Ms. Robbins and Ms. Thrall. The unofficial guideline was set 3.19% which includes OPEB. The Plus One Budget is currently at 4.5% with OPEB which is a difference of approximately \$470K. Again, this is an unofficial guideline and the Board of Finance is waiting on a health benefits meeting which will take place tomorrow morning as well as the Governor's budget. Additionally, Dr. Grossman informed Board Members that they have in their packet this evening the answer to a question which was asked by Jenny Emery regarding the breakdown of general education budget numbers vs. special education budget numbers in dollars vs. percentage. Jenny Emery stated she was looking for the actual vs. budget numbers.

## **V. New Business**

### **V.A. FY22 Quality & Diversity Budget**

Dr. Grossman presented the FY22 Quality & Diversity (Q&D) Fund Budget to the Board. He stated the district is anticipating receiving 88 students from Open Choice next year which includes 10 Kindergarten students. Dr. Grossman reviewed the guiding principles in developing the Q&D Budget and he highlighted two of them: Enrolling 10 Kindergarten students and transferring some Q&D operating expenses into the operating budget. He informed the Board of personnel currently residing in the Q&D Budget as follows: Bus Monitors, 4.0 FTE Teaching Assistants and 2.8 FTE Social Workers. He stated there are a total of 4 social workers in the district (2.8 FTE are in the Q&D Fund; 0.2 FTE is an Open Choice Liaison under the Choice Academic and Social Support Grant; and, 1.0 FTE is in the operating budget). The Q&D Budget also supports the Summer Enrichment Academy, Bridges Program, extracurricular competitions, and the Granby Equity Team. Some new additions to the Q&D budget in FY22 are an AP Summer Boot Camp and a Minority Teacher Recruitment Program. Jennifer Parsons explained the Minority Teacher Recruitment Program to the Board. She explained that a teacher candidate of color would go through an ARC program and CREC would run an off-site college program for that candidate. While a candidate is starting work during the summer and all next school year, they would be working in a classroom with one of our teachers while taking their coursework. Granby would be paying them to be on campus as well as their tuition for coursework. The following year, they would finish up and in the third year hopefully gain a position in the Granby Public Schools. Dr. Grossman stated CREC is applying for grants which will hopefully help offset the cost for districts. Sarah Thrall inquired if the candidate is obligated to work for Granby after the training is completed. Dr. Grossman stated this is yet to be determined. Mark Fiorentino inquired Granby has an option to pre-screen candidates for this hire after they have received their certificate.

Dr. Grossman went on to review items that are in the Open Choice Academic and Social Support Grant which is not part of the Q&D Budget. He then reviewed magnet school enrollment and stated it is steady throughout the next few years. He mentioned putting the 4 Teaching Assistants back into the Q&D Budget but, for the most part, this budget has not changed much from years past. Jenny Emery expressed concerns about the loss of education and remediation for students due to the pandemic and stated that the \$1M saved was education lost and some guiding principles should be developed for the Q&D Budget going forward. Dr. Grossman stated the State did release information on the ESSER grant and Granby has been allotted \$209K for the next two years and are in the process of analyzing what this means for our budget next year.

## **VI. Miscellaneous**

### **VI.A. Board Standing Committee Reports**

#### **VI.A.1. Curriculum/Policy/Technology/Communication**

Rosemarie Weber stated this Subcommittee met this evening. Mr. Wrye, principal at GMMS shared a schedule change at the middle school. The goals are to resolve discrepancies in certain subjects and making sure students have time during the day to collaborate with teachers and expose students to different curriculums. Principal Wrye will return to discuss with the entire Board at a later date but a high level view is there will be 8 classes at 50 minutes each, 5 core blocks for the 5 main subjects and an opportunity during the day for students to take advanced or flex time to work on projects they are passionate about or work with other teachers. Also discussed the Assistant Superintendent's report as follows: Work around curriculum math progression at the middle school/high school; phonics units at elementary school; world language content areas; summer school (virtual and in-person options); GEF grant for a high school broadcast channel; COVID-related issues; coordination of vaccines for staff; end-of-year field trips for students; and, work on equity in the district. Two policies were also reviewed for personnel and students regarding drug and alcohol use and will remain in Subcommittee for further review.

## **VI.B. Other Board-Related Reports**

### **VI.B.1. CREC/CABE**

Mark Fiorentino reported that CREC did not meet since the last meeting.

### **VI.B.2. Granby Education Foundation**

Jenny Emery reported the GEF will meet on Monday evening. JG stated that he, Jenn and the high school technology department will be presenting at that meeting.

## **VI.C. Calendar of Events**

Sarah Thrall mentioned the SEPTO Meeting on Monday, PAC Meeting and Superintendent's Community Conversation.

## **VI.D. Board Member Announcements**

There were no Board member announcements this evening.

## **VI.E. Action Items**

- 1) Clarification on the \$65K Teacher Recruitment Program.
- 2) Jenny Emery requested the history of the change in the actual expenses for special education vs. regular education over the last few years.

## **VII. Executive Session/Non-Meeting**

A motion was made by Melissa Migliaccio and seconded by Mark Fiorentino to adjourn the meeting and enter into an Executive Session to discuss a collective bargaining issue. This motion passed unanimously at 7:50 p.m. The Executive Session adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Weber  
Board Secretary

# Granby Public Schools 2020-2021 Calendar

AUGUST				
M	T	W	T	F
17	18	19	20	21
24 <sup>PD</sup>	25 <sup>PD</sup>	26 <sup>PD</sup>	27 <sup>PD</sup>	28 <sup>PD</sup>
31 <sup>PD</sup>				

SEPTEMBER (20 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
	1 <sup>*</sup>	2	3	4
7 <sup>H</sup>	8	9	10 <sup>◆</sup>	11
14	15	16	17 <sup>◆</sup>	18
21	22	23	24 <sup>◆</sup>	25
28 <sup>H</sup>	29	30		

OCTOBER (20 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
			1 <sup>◆</sup>	2
5	6	7	8 <sup>◆</sup>	9
12 <sup>H</sup>	13 <sup>PD</sup>	14	15 <sup>◆</sup>	16
19	20	21	22 <sup>◆</sup>	23
26	27	28	29 <sup>◆</sup>	30

NOVEMBER (18 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3 <sup>PD</sup>	4	5 <sup>◆</sup>	6
9	10	11	12 <sup>◆</sup>	13
16	17	18	19 <sup>◆</sup>	20
23	24	25	26 <sup>H</sup>	27 <sup>V</sup>
30				

DECEMBER (16 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
	1 <sup>EE</sup>	2 <sup>EE</sup>	3 <sup>◆</sup>	4
7	8	9	10 <sup>◆</sup>	11
14	15	16	17 <sup>◆</sup>	18
21	22	23	24 <sup>V</sup>	25 <sup>H</sup>
28 <sup>V</sup>	29 <sup>V</sup>	30 <sup>V</sup>	31 <sup>V</sup>	

JANUARY (19 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
				1 <sup>H</sup>
4	5	6	7 <sup>◆</sup>	8
11	12	13	14 <sup>◆</sup>	15
18 <sup>H</sup>	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28 <sup>◆</sup>	29

FEBRUARY (17 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4 <sup>◆</sup>	5
8	9	10	11 <sup>◆</sup>	12
15 <sup>H</sup>	16 <sup>V</sup>	17	18 <sup>◆</sup>	19
22	23	24	25 <sup>◆</sup>	26

MARCH (23 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4 <sup>◆</sup>	5
8	9	10	11 <sup>◆</sup>	12
15	16	17	18 <sup>◆</sup>	19
22	23 <sup>EE</sup>	24 <sup>EE</sup>	25	26
29	30	31		

APRIL (16 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
			1 <sup>◆</sup>	2 <sup>H</sup>
5	6	7	8 <sup>◆</sup>	9
12 <sup>V</sup>	13 <sup>V</sup>	14 <sup>V</sup>	15 <sup>V</sup>	16 <sup>V</sup>
19	20	21	22 <sup>◆</sup>	23
26	27	28	29 <sup>◆</sup>	30

MAY (19 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6 <sup>◆</sup>	7
10	11	12	13 <sup>◆</sup>	14
17	18	19	20 <sup>◆</sup>	21
24	25	26	27 <sup>◆</sup>	28 <sup>PD</sup>
31 <sup>H</sup>				

JUNE (9 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7 <sup>EX</sup>	8 <sup>EX</sup>	9 <sup>EX</sup>	10 <sup>EX</sup>	11 <sup>EX</sup>
14+	15+	16+	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30		

\* First/Last Day of School

Holiday/Vacation/PD - No School

◆ HS PLC Late Arrival

/ Early Release All Schools

EE Early Dismissal Elem Only

+ Emergency Days

**School Breaks:** Dec. 24, 2020-Jan.1, 2021 ◆ February 15-16, 2021 ◆ April 12-16, 2021

**Kelly Lane Primary School**

Aug. 31 Pre-K, Kindergarten & New Student Meet & Greet  
 Sept. 23 Grade 1 Open House  
 Sept. 23 Grade 2 Open House  
 Sept. 23 Pre-K/K Open House  
 Nov 30-Dec 2 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Nov. 30 Evening Conferences  
 Jan. 11 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)  
 Mar. 22-24 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Mar. 22 Evening Conferences  
 Mar. 25 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)

**Wells Road Intermediate School**

Aug. 31 New Student Orientation  
 Sept. 24 Grade 3 Open House  
 Sept. 24 Grade 4 Open House  
 Sept. 24 Grade 5 Open House  
 Nov 30-Dec 2 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Dec. 1 Evening Conferences  
 Jan. 11 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)  
 Mar. 22-24 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Mar. 23 Evening Conferences  
 Mar. 25 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)

**Granby Memorial Middle School**

Aug. 31 New Student Orientation  
 Sept. 29 Open House  
 Nov. 30 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Dec. 2 Evening Conferences  
 Jan. 11 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)  
 Mar. 22 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Mar. 25 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)  
 June 10 Gr. 8 Moving Up Ceremony

**Granby Memorial High School**

Aug. 31 Freshman Orientation  
 Oct. 1 Open House  
 Nov. 30 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Dec. 2 Evening Conferences  
 Jan. 11 Early Release/Prof. Dev.  
 Jan. 19-22 Exams All buses pick up @ 2:20  
 Mar. 22 Early Release (Conf.)  
 Mar. 25 Early Release (Prof. Dev.)  
 June 7-8 Exams All buses pickup @ 2:20  
 June 11 Graduation

SCHOOL	STUDENT/REGULAR HOURS	TEACHER/REGULAR HOURS	EARLY RELEASE	DELAYED OPENING
Middle School/High School	7:35-2:20	7:15-2:30	7:35-12:00	9:35-2:20
Wells Road Int. School	8:30-3:15	8:15-3:30	8:30-12:55	10:30-3:15
Kelly Lane Primary School	8:30-3:15	8:15-3:30	8:30-12:55	10:30-3:15
Pre-School (A.M.)	8:45-11:15	8:15-3:35	8:45-10:15	No Session*
Pre-School (P.M.)	12:30-3:00	8:15-3:35	11:00-12:30**	12:30-3:00

\*AM Pre-School will be cancelled if there is a 2-hour delay due to inclement weather.

\*\*PM Pre-School will be cancelled if there is an unscheduled early release due to inclement weather.

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3-4-20, 4-22-20, 7-13-20, 7-22-20, 8-12-20

12-21-20, 2-2-21

**Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting  
February 3, 2021, 5:30 p.m.  
Central Services**

Present:

David Peling  
Sarah Thrall  
Rosemarie Weber  
Brandon Webster (via Google Meet)  
Jennifer Parsons  
Jordan Grossman  
Taylor Wrye

Absent:

Member of the Public: N/A

Meeting commenced at: 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at: 6:45 p.m.

1. Public Comment: N/A

2. Middle School Schedule:

Principal Taylor Wrye presented proposed MS schedule change designed to resolve discrepancies/disparities in subject times; ensuring students have time during the school day to access teachers for extra help and enrichment; and expose students to curriculum options/choices. Proposed 8 50 minute blocks and expanded offerings.

3. Assistant Superintendent's Monthly Report:

Discussed highlights of monthly report to include: math course progression, summer school preparations, GEF grant for HS broadcast channel, ongoing COVID communications and meetings, evaluating possibility of end of year class trips and educational experiences, and ongoing equity work in the district

4. Policies

- Revised Policy 4118.231/4218.231 – Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco – Personnel
- Revised Policy 5131.6 – Drug and Alcohol Use – Students

Both policies discussed and will remain in committee for further review

5. Curriculum Update

Additional discussions regarding world language and math curriculum updates

6. Other

A motion was made by Dave Peling and seconded by Rosemarie Weber to adjourn the meeting. This motion passed unanimously at 6:45 p.m.