

**REGULAR EDUCATION MEETING
GRISWOLD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
July 11th, 2022**

GBE approved 8/8/2022

A regular meeting of the Griswold Board of Education took place on Monday, July 11th, 2022, in the Griswold Middle School Cafeteria, located on the first floor, 211 Slater Avenue, Griswold, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mary Beth Malin, Chair of the Griswold Board of Education.

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

ALSO PRESENT Sean McKenna, GPS Superintendent of Schools; Glenn LaBossiere, GPS Director, Teaching, Learning, and Innovation; Stephen Cravinho, GPS Campus Wide Activities & Athletic Director; Christopher Champlin, GPS Director of Student Services and Principal of Griswold Alternative School; Deborah Martin, GPS Director of Fiscal & Personnel Services; and Erin Palonen, GHS Principal.

ABSENT Joyce Rice, BOE Secretary; Shannon Webster, BOE Member; Arthur Howe, GHS Associate Principal; Louis Zubek, GMS Principal; Jeff Parkinson, GMS Assistant Principal; Joseph Bordeau, GES Principal; and Jackie Love, GES Assistant Principal.

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

MOTION By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
That, under New Business – G – agenda item should read review, discussion, and action to approve revised policy 6172.1—Instruction—Gifted Children.
Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of Minutes

A. Special Meeting – June 20th, 2022 – The Board tabled this item and will bring it forward to the next BOE meeting for action to approve.

Communications – None.

Public Comments

Mary Beth Malin read the ground rules for the the public comment section of this meeting. There were no requests for public comment.

Consent Agenda – No items for action under consent agenda.

New Business

- A. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint BOE Representatives (2) to the School Building Committee – The Board appointed Mary Beth Malin and Martin Osga to serve as BOE representatives on the School Building Committee.

MOTION By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
To appoint Mary Beth Malin and Martin Osga as BOE representatives for the school building committee.
Motion unanimously carried.

- B. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Waive the Second Reading of New Policy 6141.51—Instruction—Advanced Courses or Programs, Eligibility Criteria for Enrollment

MOTION By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
To waive the second reading of new policy 6141.51 – Instruction, Advanced Courses or Programs, Eligibility Criteria for Enrollment.
Motion unanimously carried.

- C. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve New Policy 6141.51—Instruction—Advanced Courses or Programs, Eligibility Criteria for Enrollment

MOTION By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
To approve New Policy 6141.51—Instruction—Advanced Courses or Programs, Eligibility Criteria for Enrollment, as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

- D. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Waive the Second Reading of New Policy 6141.52—Instruction—Challenging Curriculum Policy (Criteria for Identification of Eligible Grade 8th and 9th Grade Students)

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Martin Osga
To waive the second reading of new policy 6141.52 –
Instruction—Challenging Curriculum Policy (Criteria for
Identification of Eligible Grade 8th and 9th Grade Students).
Motion unanimously carried.

- E. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve New Policy 6141.52—Instruction—
Challenging Curriculum Policy (Criteria for Identification of Eligible Grade 8th and 9th Grade
Students)

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
To approve New Policy 6141.52—Instruction - Challenging
Curriculum Policy (Criteria for Identification of Eligible
Grade 8th and 9th Grade Students), as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

- F. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Waive the Second Reading of Revised Policy
6172.1—Instruction—Gifted Children

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Martin Osga
To waive the second reading of revised policy 6172.1-
Instruction – Gifted Children.
Motion unanimously carried.

- G. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve Revised Policy 6172.1—Instruction—
Gifted Children

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Martin Osga
To approve revised policy 6172.1 – Instruction – Gifted
Children, as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

- H. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve Foreign Exchange Students to Attend
Griswold High School for 2022-2023 School Year

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Martin Osga

To approve and welcome two foreign exchange students to attend Griswold High School for the 2022/23 school year.
Motion unanimously carried.

I. Gifts/Donations

1. ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Program \$500 Grant to GMS

MOTION

By Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
Seconded by Yvonne Palasky
To accept the \$500 grant donation to Griswold Middle School on behalf of the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Program and the ExxonMobil Gas Station in Griswold, with gratitude.
Motion unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business

Mary Beth Malin, BOE Chair, asked BOE members to submit any write-ups and/or feedback regarding the Superintendent’s evaluation so she can complete it.

Administrators’ Reports

A. Update on Summer Learning Program & Extended School Year Program – The Superintendent provided an update to the Board on the Summer Learning Program. The Director of Student Services, Mr. Chris Champlin, provided an update to the Board on the Summer Enrichment Program being offered to special education students and to Preschool students.

Superintendent’s Report

A. Vacancies, Appointments, Resignations – The Board was provided with a list of vacancies, appointments, and resignations.

Committee/Board Reports

A. Policy Subcommittee Update – Y. Palasky – The Board received an update from Yvonne Palasky on the work of the Policy subcommittee. She reported that the Policy subcommittee will meet again on August 16th at 4 PM.

Adjournment

MOTION

By Yvonne Palasky
Seconded by Jaimee O’Neill-Eaton
To adjourn the regular Board of Education meeting at 6:25 PM.
Motion was unanimously carried.

Minutes prepared by: Robin Drobiak