

GREENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

6:30pm

John Zon Community Center - 35 Pleasant Street, Greenfield, Massachusetts 01301

Zoom Hybrid

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AGENDA

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CHAIRS STATEMENT: This meeting is being recorded by Greenfield Community Television (GCTV). If any other persons present are doing the same you must notify the chairperson at this time.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll Call of Members - If members appear online, roll call voting must be used
- III. Public Comment: Members of the public may speak for up to three minutes as recognized by the

Chairperson per Chapter 49 - Hybrid Ordinance, members of the public attending virtually or in person may comment by raising their hand and stating their name and address or precinct.

- IV. Recognition
 - Lisa Morrison, Greenfield Middle School Health and Physical Education Teacher
Recipient of the 2026 Grinspoon Award for the Greenfield Public Schools
- V. Report of Student Representatives to the Committee
 - Club Reports and upcoming activities or events that include updates from Student Council, Key Club, Athletics, French Club, Drama Club, Library Club, Trivia Club and Mosaic/Students of Color
- VI. Greenfield Public Schools School Presentations on happenings in the schools
 - Michael Browning, Principal of Greenfield High School
 - Michelle Fenimore, Principal of Greenfield Middle School
 - David Potter, Principal of Four Corners Elementary School
- VII. Transportation Study Presentation given by Richard Labrie
- VIII. Reports of the Administration
 - A. Business Manager
 - Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Update
 - Budget Reports Review
 - B. Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Report
 - Literacy Focused Professional Learning Update: On February 10, 2026, the district's leadership team held its mid-year progress monitoring meeting with our Department of Elementary and Secondary (DESE) Statewide System of Support (SSoS) team.
 - February Vacation Academy Wrap Up: Thirty-seven (37) students from all three elementary schools participated in a week of engaging learning and enrichment. The program blended academic activities along with specials in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) and Physical Education. A special thanks to all the staff that made the academy possible.
 - C. Superintendent Report
 - School enrollment update
 - School facilities and events update
- IX. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approve the minutes of January 14, 2026 and February 19, 2026
 - C. Approve the Greenfield High School Program of Studies for the school year 2026-2027
- X. School Committee Reports
 - A. Chair's Report
 - Review and discuss Subcommittee Descriptions
 - B. Budget and Finance Subcommittee Report
 - Recap of recent subcommittee meeting held on March 2, 2026. The bulk of the meeting was spent discussing updates on the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. Available at the Central Office are hard copies of the Budget Summary along with a detailed spreadsheet for the upcoming Budget Hearing scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2026 at the John Zon Community Center and on Zoom. The school committee is scheduled to then vote on the proposed budget at a special meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at the John Zon Community Center and on Zoom. The voted budget will then be submitted to the Mayor on April 1, 2026.
 - Motion from Vice Chair Childs that the School Committee approve of the Budget & Finance Committee's recommendations for Warrant discussion and presentation at the regular monthly meeting.
 - Discussion item brought by Budget, Finance, & Warrants Subcommittee: Should the Greenfield School Committee request the superintendent add the position of Grant Writer into the budget?
 - Motion from Member Goodwin that the School Committee direct the superintendent to post for a district Registrar.
 - C. Special report from Mayor Desorgher on the City Fiscal Year 2027 Budget
- XI. Vote to enter into Executive Session: Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21 (a) (2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract

negotiations with nonunion personnel, (7) To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements. The committee **WILL** return to Open Session.

XII. New Business

- A. Motion from Chair Sexton to approve the contract with Carol Kruser, and authorize the Chair to sign.
- B. Motion from Chair Sexton to dissolve the Ad Hoc Superintendent Search Subcommittee.
- C. Set meeting dates for Fiscal Year 2027 budget
- D. Discussion and possible revision of School Committee Policy BHE-Use of Electronic Messaging by School Committee Members
- E. Motion from Vice Chair Childs to revise policies BEDH Public Comment At School Committee Meetings and BEDH-E Guidelines For Public Comment to remove reference to “address” and replace it with “relationship to the schools”.
- F. Motion from Chair Sexton to instruct the Policy Subcommittee to review Community Use of School Facilities (Policy KF-R) regarding after hours community facility use, including comparisons of our rates to comparable facilities; rate burden on potential facilities users; and likely outcomes of either lowering or raising facilities use rates.
- G. Motion from Chair Sexton to Instruct the Policy Subcommittee to review Background Checks (Policy ADDA) and Fingerprint Based CHRI Checks (ADDA-E) regarding fingerprinting requirements for volunteers.
- H. Motion from Member de Neeve to create a resolution to support House Bill H. 4361 which is also known as “An Act relative to Benefits for Teachers.”
- I. Motion from Member de Neeve to support MA Foundation Budget Review Commission.
- J. Motion from Vice Chair Childs that the School Committee appoint a liaison for the Y.E.L.O. Conference.
- K. Motion from Member de Neeve to donate historical materials to the Greenfield Historical Society.
- L. Motion from Member de Neeve to include Warrants in meeting materials or publish on the Greenfield Public Schools website.
- M. Motion from Member de Neeve to request an update on the Yondr pouch program efficacy, current contract status, and cost.
- N. Motion from Member Goodwin that the School Committee add two additional members to the Business Manager Hiring Committee; one from the SubCommittee of Business and Finance and one to represent the City of Greenfield.
- O. Motion from Member Goodwin that the School Committee direct the superintendent to move the fifth grade to our elementary schools.
- P. Motion from Member Goodwin that the School Committee form an AdHoc committee to study the current state of literacy in our schools.

XIII. Old Business

- A. Motion from Chair Sexton to have the Greenfield School Committee create a Long-term Facilities Use Advisory Committee.
- B. Motion from Chair Sexton to rescind the mediation vote taken on February 19, 2026.
- C. Discussion about if and how to proceed with mediation or conflict resolution.

XIV. Adjournment

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY BE CALLED

*Please note that the list of topics was comprehensive at the time of posting, however, the public body may consider and take action on unforeseen matters not specifically named in this notice. Posted in accordance with M.G.L. c 30A § 18-25.

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