

HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 6, 2014

Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School Media Center

Draft

In attendance:

Board Members-

Rich Pelletier, Chair
Steven Hahn, Vice Chair
Paul Plater
Nancy Egner-Denu
Virginia Leiby (Ginks)

Administration-

Robert Hassett, Superintendent
Patricia Parenteau, Assistant Superintendent
Jean Mogan, Business Manager
Carol Fogarty, Administrative Assistant
Lisa Witte, Director of C, I and A
Jim O'Rourke, High School Principal
Jennifer Crawford, HS Associate Principal
Mark Campbell, ES Principal

Members of the Press
Community members

A. Call to Order

Chair Pelletier called the meeting to order at 6:17pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Pelletier led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection.

Chair Pelletier welcomed everyone to the meeting, made the announcement that the meeting was being recorded and may appear on the internet.

Chair Pelletier announced that the Alternative Program may be voted on tonight.

C. Recognitions

Emma Moore NHIAA Girls Golf State Champion.

The Bass Fishing team scored 23rd out of 34 in their first year with a total weight of 3.08 pounds.

D. Correspondence

NHSBA resolutions due October 24th

E. Public Comment

F. School Board Response to Public Comment

G. Board Discussion Items

- a. High School Alternative Program Relocation continued discussion
Jean Mogan provided estimated bond schedules using three different interest rates. An estimate for savings was reviewed including salaries, rent, taxes and custodial services = \$99,600. Custodial services is about \$18,000 a year. Paul suggested a savings on the cost of bussing and Jean countered that it is all part of the contract which is not quoted on mileage. Kim Bergstresser, a senior, created a floor plan and 3 dimensional diagram. This plan is 356 square feet smaller than the current facilities, yet it is more efficiently laid out. The capacity is for 24 students. Any more than that would need DOE approval. This will be presented to the public at the Public Hearing in January/February, and feedback will be obtained before finalizing. Steve is comfortable voting on this tonight, as are Ginks and Nancy. The current contract in Deering runs out June 2016. Paul is concerned about losing over 200 students and asking for more space. Steve feels this is educationally a good idea. Nancy said ultimately it will be saving money. Paul feels there is a lot of room in the top floor of the elementary school. Patty said the top floor was looked at and all the members of the team who looked at the options said it would not be appropriate. They also said considering the current building configurations there is no space that is suitable. Steve, Ginks and Nancy think the Board is ready to vote.
- b. Next meeting reminder; Warrant Articles, Back-up Boiler, Trust Funds for Capital Improvement and Retirement-to be discussed at the next meeting with a vote probably happening at the following meeting.

H. Superintendents Report

Middle school Kids in Gear program has started. Grants are being pursued.

1. Appointments, Leaves and Resignations (see addendum)
2. Professional Development-Lisa Witte
 - a. Improving Math Instruction for All with Mahesh Sharma
Mahesh was here Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week. Teaching strategies were modeled. Mark said he was great, and it was good for the teachers to be able to see the techniques and strategies modeled. It got a lot of conversations to occur and reflections on what is being done. Positive results and great momentum came from this. Steve also observed the fifth grade class, and said the follow up is going to be very important.
 - b. ASCD Conference
A comprehensive team will be attending.
3. Science NECAP Results-Lisa Witte
Lisa reviewed the scores. The state will be transitioning to the Nexgen standards, which focus on process and understanding. Smarter Balance testing will take place this year for math and ELA, and the science NECAP will be used in the spring for the next two years.

4. Budget Timeline and Expectations-Jean Mogan
Reviewed by Jean.
5. FY13 HD Audit Draft-Jean Mogan
The draft has been received for the FY12-13. The audit was clean with no action needed.
6. Technology Audit/Assessment
The estimated cost is about \$30,000, which will be found in this year's existing budget. Funds for new switches will be found in the technology budget (\$7,000). Bring Your Own Device was discussed.

I. Minutes-September 15, 2014

Motion to approve the minutes made by Nancy, seconded by Steve. Steve motioned to amend the spelling of Emily "Hatcher", seconded by Ginks and approved 5-0. Approved as amended 5-0.

A five minutes break was taken.

J. Public Comment

John Segedy said that focusing on process for science does not work. Maybe facts should be the focus. Used buildings should be looked at, and costs should be pared down. He agreed the alternative program should not be in the regular building. The grant funds being used for workshops across the country could be used for other things. It does not seem that an update to the technology plan has come to the Board.

Leigh Bosse said that the Board has not gotten feedback from the taxpayers on the alternative program. \$700,000 can't be spent to accommodate 15 students. There needs to be a balance between all the students and the taxpayers. Please try to reconfigure within the building.

K. School Board Representative's Response to Public Comment

Steve said it is not an outlay of new money. There is a pay back of 7 years. The marginal difference between really good or just gets by is not worth it. There are savings that have been calculated and this will take some careful explanations.

Paul said the current floor plan needs to be looked at and compared.

Steve said the out-of-district placement savings can't be taken for granted, and saves the district money.

Rich gave a lot of thought about bringing the alternative program back to the campus. The work done by the committee convinced him this was the best option, and there will be a savings to the district and it will be better for the students. The environment needs to be decent for the students who will be there most of every school day.

Nancy said remaining in Deering is an expense for rent and is not a long term investment.

L. Action Items

1. Appointments, Leaves and Resignations (see addendum)
Motion to approve made by Steve, seconded by Ginks. Paul asked if the grant was also paying the retirement costs and Jean answered yes. Motion approved 5-0.
2. Budget Timeline
Motion to approve made by Nancy, seconded by Ginks and approved 5-0.
3. Funding of the Technology Assessment within the budget
Motion to approve \$30,000 for the technology assessment, which will come out of the existing budget made by Nancy, seconded by Steve and approve 5-0.

M. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (a)

Motion to go into non-public session made by Paul, seconded by Nancy.
Paul, yes; Rich, yes; Nancy, yes; Ginks, yes; Steve, yes.

N. Action Following Non-Public Session

Motion to seal the minutes of the non-public session made by Steve, seconded by Paul and approved 5-0.

Motion to authorize Jean to write a warrant article to raise \$700,000 with a ten year bond to move the alternative program from the current Deering location and build according to the provided diagram on campus made by Ginks, seconded by Nancy and approved 4-1, Paul voted against.

O. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Steve, seconded by Nancy and approved 5-0.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Shelly Gardner, Board Secretary*

Addendum

To: Members, Hillsboro-Deering School Board

From: Mr. Robert A. Hassett, Superintendent of Schools

Date: October 6, 2014

Re: Appointments, Leaves and Resignations – Teachers & Administrators

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The following resignations, leaves, and appointments of teachers have occurred since the September 15, 2014 School Board meeting:

RESIGNATIONS:

Veronica Brunda – HDES Long-Term Substitute Nurse, resignation effective 10/2/14

LEAVES: None

TRANSFERS: None

APPOINTMENTS:

Kelly Dinsmore - HDHS Special Education Tutor, \$35/hr, 3hrs/week, effective 9/16/14
dependent upon IEP needs

Richard Rafferty - HDHS Special Education Tutor, \$35/hr, 3hrs/week, effective 9/16/14
dependent upon IEP needs

Alex Luhtjarv - HDHS NEAS&C Co-Chair, \$1,500 stipend, effective 14-15 school year

Sara Paquette - HDHS NEAS&C Co-Chair, \$1,500 stipend, effective 14-15 school year

Michelle Prentiss - HDHS NEAS&C Report Editor, \$500 stipend, effective 14-15 school year

HDES AfterSchool Clubs - \$250 stipend, funded by D-J Trust

Diane Miller – Arts & Crafts Club

Vicki Wheeler – Printing Club

Nicki Lambert - Arts & Crafts Club

Brenda Prochillo – Puzzle Club

Caitlin Estee – Dance Club (2 sessions)

Sarah Schlaack – Running Club

Shelly Cutter – Kids in Gear AfterSchool Program Title I Academic Support Interventionist,
\$35/hr, 1 hour/day for 124 days, effective 9/22/14-6/30/14

Stephani Martin - Kids in Gear AfterSchool Program Title I Academic Support Interventionist,
\$35/hr, 1 hour/day for 60 days, effective 9/22/14-6/30/14

Sam Brown - Kids in Gear AfterSchool Program Title I Academic Support Interventionist, \$35/hr,
1 hour/day for 124 days, effective 9/22/14-6/30/14

Jessica Morris - Kids in Gear AfterSchool Program Title I Academic Support Interventionist,
\$35/hr, 1 hour/day for 32 days, effective 9/22/14-6/30/14

Bob Lehmenkuler - Kids in Gear AfterSchool Program Instructor, \$25/hr, 1.75 hrs/day for 21
days, effective 9/22/14-6/30/14

Bob Lehmenkuler - Kids in Gear AfterSchool Program Music Instructor, \$35/hr, 1.75 hrs/day for
92 days, effective 9/22/14-6/30/14

Kristina Parker – HDSD Nurse Substitute, \$125/day as needed, effective 14-15 school year, licensed RN.

Sonya Fritz – HDSD Substitute Teacher, K-12, \$85/day as needed, effective 14-15 school year, MH Certification in Elementary Education

Paula Fortner - HDSD Substitute Teacher, K-12, \$85/day as needed, effective 14-15 school year, MH Certification in Elementary Education

Fran Charron - HDEs Substitute Teacher, K-5, \$85/day as needed, effective 14-15 school year, MH Certification in Elementary Education