

**HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL BOARD**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Monday, November 3, 2014**

**Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School Media Center**

**In attendance:**

**Board Members-**

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

**Administration-**

Robert Hassett, Superintendent  
Marc Peterson, Middle School Principal  
Jean Mogan, Business Manager  
Carol Fogarty, Administrative Assistant  
Jim O'Rourke, HS Principal  
Jennifer Crawford, HS Associate Principal

Alec Zullo

Members of the Press

Community members

**A. Call to Order**

Chair Pelletier called the meeting to order at 6:15pm.

**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.

**C. Recognitions**

None

**D. Correspondence**

A Health Trust communication of another rebate for about \$140,000 to be received in August 2015.

Boys and Girls Soccer both made it to the playoffs.

Football will be meeting with the NHIAA to discuss the future of the organization.

Alec said it was a great year and Coach Wood was very inspirational.

Next year is a realignment year for NHIAA Divisions

**E. Public Comment**

Leigh Bosse introduced HD student Yanni Galatas who will be interning with the Messenger.

**F. School Board Response to Public Comment**

## **G. Board Discussion Items**

- a. Continued discussion re: Warrant Articles, Back-up Boiler, Trust Funds for Capital Improvement and Retirement

- i. Presentation-Propane vs. Oil-Granite State Plumbing and Heating

A cost comparison was handed out. Granite State Plumbing and Heating has been in business for over 30 years. Options were discussed. The benefit for using gas is it is much cheaper. Heating needs to be compared “per therm”. Oil is 2x as much as gas, and electric is 3x as much per therm. Gas boilers allow condensing which extracts more heat. Condensing gas burners are much more efficient than oil boilers. The cost for the boilers is about the same. Gas is much more efficient, cleaner, less expensive, and greener. Paul asked which one was safer and was told that a poorly maintained gas burner may emit more carbon monoxide. Gas is also much more easily serviced and burns cleaner. The yearly maintenance will not be more. Rich asked about size requirements. A typical condensing gas burner is about half the size as an oil one. The same size tanks will burn for the same amount of time.

Nancy asked what would happen if let idle. Oil will go bad, but gas will not.

Ginks asked about length of time. HD will save 25%, and some schools have saved up to 60%. If you spent \$100,000 on oil last year, you will spend \$70,000 on gas.

Rich asked about the flue. The oil is a bigger job than the gas. There is no reason to burn oil if you can burn gas.

\$1.73 for propane, \$3.21 for oil is what HD is currently paying. Superintendent Hassett asked why the existing boiler is only 82% efficient and was told because it is not condensing. Ginks asked about size and what if HD went with two propane boilers. The two gas boilers could fit in the existing space. The recommendation would be to get rid of the oil burner, and add two new gas boilers. Superintendent Hassett asked about warranty and financing. Granite State offers financing on the total job. A heat assessment would provide a better picture of what is needed. Two would heat nicely with a third redundant boiler. The current quote is for one boiler. Three boilers was estimated at about \$180,000. Classroom space may be lost unless the oil is removed. Two tanks was discussed. There is currently no redundancy, and the existing system is problematic.

Chair Pelletier asked for the Board’s opinion. Ginks would like to get a new quote for pulling the oil out. Steve agreed assuming the math is correct. Jean will get an estimate for three boilers, removal of the oil burner, and return on investment calculation, financing, return of oil to the oil company and larger tanks. The contract for oil will be finished by the time this would take place.

Moving money around from trust funds is not possible.

Rich talked about a warrant article for teacher retirement. Is there a way to word the budget warrant article so that it would be variable depending on the outcome of the retirement warrant article? Jean explained the sequence of events for warrants; you can't go back and warrants come after the operating budget.

b. Crossing Guard Structure

Paul said there is a spot by the side of the SAU parking lot. Is this a town, HD or a state issue? Nancy asked about visibility. Superintendent Hassett thinks it would be in the way of cars coming in or out. The majority of the Board felt this should be an administrative decision.

**H. Superintendents Report**

1. Appointments, Leaves and Resignations (see addendum)

Paul asked if positions were already existing and was told yes. Assistive technology training was explained. Pre-school coordinator stipend is grant funded. Substitute pay was discussed. Superintendent Hassett will look into what neighboring districts are paying.

2. Overnight Field Trips

- a. HS Overnight Field Trip request-Radio City Music Hall, NY City May 2015- Heidi Welch
- b. Waterville Valley Student Council Overnight Trip; 16 students and two staff.

3. Building use requests

- a. Yoga Class-Linda Hopper
- b. St. Mary's Middle School- request for pageant Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 2-5:30  
Custodial availability was discussed. Wine is not allowed on school grounds. This approval would be contingent on finding a custodian and St. Mary's would have to pay those fees, no alcohol.

**I. Minutes-October 20, 2014**

Motion to approve the minutes made by Ginks, seconded by Nancy. Steve amended to add Alec Zullo, seconded by Paul and approved 5-0. Minutes approved as amended 5-0.

**J. Public Comment**

John Segedy said the Board should hear from an oil representative as well. The Board should be pushing the selectmen to put in additional sidewalk from the school to Brown Avenue. The sub caller is automated and someone should check to make sure those stipends are still not being paid.

**K. School Board Representative's Response to Public Comment**

Rich said it's on our radar.

#### **L. Action Items**

1. Appointments, Leaves and Resignations

Motion to approve made by Nancy, seconded by Ginks. Motion approved 5-0.

2. Overnight Field Trips

- a. HS Overnight Field Trip request-Radio City Music Hall, NY City May 2015-  
Heidi Welch

Motion to approve made by Paul, seconded by Ginks, and approved 5-0

- b. Waterville Valley Student Council Conference Overnight Trip; 16 students  
and two staff.

Motion to approve made by Steve, seconded by Ginks, and approved 5-0

3. Building use requests

- a. Yoga Class-Linda Hopper

Motion to approve made by Nancy, seconded by Steve. Ginks said the forms  
needed to be filled out completely. They did not request a waiver. Motion  
approved 3-1-1, Ginks voted against, Paul abstained

- b. St. Mary's Middle School Cafetorium- request for pageant Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 2-5:30  
Custodial availability was discussed. Wine is not allowed on school  
grounds. This approval would be contingent on finding a custodian and  
St. Mary's would have to pay those fees from 2-6 @\$25.00, no alcohol is  
allowed on school grounds per RSA.

Motion to approve made by Paul, seconded by Nancy and approved  
contingent upon finding custodial services and agreement to no alcohol 5-0

4. Policies Requiring Board Action

- a. AC Non-Discrimination-Revision
- b. JRA Access to Student Records-FERPA-Revision
- c. GBAA Sexual Harassment-Employee/Staff-Revision
- d. JBAA Sexual Harassment-Students-Revision
- e. JLCJ Concussion and Head Injuries-Revision
- f. EBBC/JLCE Emergency Care and First Aid-Revision

Tabled for the next meeting.

#### **M. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Nancy, seconded by Paul 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: November 3, 2014  
Re: Appointments, Leaves and Resignations – Teachers & Administrators

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The following resignations, leaves, and appointments of teachers have occurred since the October 20, 2014 School Board meeting:

**RESIGNATIONS: None**

**LEAVES: None**

**TRANSFERS: None**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**Maggie Cover** – HDES Winter Carnival Coordinator, \$250 stipend, effective 2014-15 school year.

**Carolyn Foley** – HDES Field Day Coordinator, \$250 stipend, effective 2014-15 school year.

**Sarah Schlaack** – HDES PreSchool Coordinator, \$3,000 stipend, effective 2014-15 school year.

**Jill Severino** – HDSD Assistive Technology Professional, \$1,800 stipend, effective 2014-15 school year.

**Heather Queen** – HDES CPI Instructor, \$2,000 stipend, effective 2014-15 school year.

**Kathleen Wechsler** – HDSD Board Certified Behavior Analysis, \$1,800 stipend, effective 2014-15 school year.