

HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 28, 2015
HDES Media Center

In Attendance:

Board Members-
Rich Pelletier, Chair
Steven Hahn
Nancy Egner
Virginia Leiby (Ginks)

Administration-
Robert Hassett, Superintendent
Patricia Parenteau, Assistant Superintendent
Marc Peterson, MS Principal
Jim O'Rourke, HS Principal
Jennifer Crawford, HS Associate Principal
Carol Fogarty, Executive Assistant
Jean Mogan, Business Administrator
Emily Squibb, MS Assistant Principal

A. Call to Order

Chair Pelletier called the meeting to order at 6:20pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Pelletier led the Pledge of Allegiance, thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and made the announcement that the meeting was being recorded and may appear on the internet.

C. Recognitions

None at this time

D. Correspondence

None at this time

E. Presentations

a. High School Class Size-Jim O'Rourke

Superintendent Hassett explained all that goes into high school scheduling. Jim explained why some classes are less populated than others. If you compare class sizes today to a couple of years ago, the numbers are much better. The Policy committee has spent time discussing this issue.

Jim also said the SAT will be the assessment given on April 12th. This is the data that will be used for comparisons. Student preparation was discussed. Grades 8,9,10 and 11 will take the PSATs. Students could use these scores for their college applications, if they choose to. Last year Jim had students take the PSATs anticipating this change. Gink asked about the availability of guitars, and was told getting more is in the plan. Sylvania has also helped out with supplies for chemistry. Robotics is another area that is being looked at in regards to supplies. Jean explained how the accounting works when ordering supplies.

b. Performance Contracting Discussion-James Bailey

Siemens-Building Performance and Sustainability presentation - There are no upfront costs when doing a performance contract. Audit costs are rolled into the development costs. Municipal Lease purchases do not require public vote. The powerpoint will be sent to the Board members and the superintendent. Can the note be refinanced or prepaid? It is dependent on the type of note or what bank is used. Three years of data is used for a baseline for BTUs. What other schools in NH and when? James will be given a list; Conway, Oyster River, Barrington, Whitefield. Tom and James were thanked by the Board.

A short break was taken at 7:55pm.

F. Public Comment

David Fullerton was glad to hear Principal O'Rourke speak about class size. He is also pleased about the Drug and Alcohol Intervention program.

G. School Board Response to Public Comment

H. Board Discussion Items

a. Review Calendar of Board Discussion Items
October meetings will be on the 5th and the 26th. The Performance Contract will be discussed on the 26th.

I. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Hassett explained the Student Member of the School Board position, referring to policy BBFF.

1. Appointments, Leaves and Resignations

Michael Boucher is not going to be on the Google Apps Ad Hoc Committee. The hours for this are 20 hours for the year.

2. Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Education and Intervention in the Schools

Superintendent Hassett reviewed the plan for all the schools. Superintendent Hassett also thanked Mr. Fullerton for asking about this subject. Steve asked about training for faculty. Mr. Hassett said there has not been specific PD in the past two years. Steve suggested intervention teams, and peer groups.

3. Snow Plowing Contract

Two bids have been received; LJM Construction, and Fireside Farm. Jean recommended that HD stay with Fireside Farm.

4. Bus 68 Route

Jean and Superintendent Hassett drove the route. Details were provided. Different suggestions have been made to the bus company and Jean is waiting for their response. The bus company does not have another 4 wheel drive bus. An hour and fifteen minutes is too long. Adding another vehicle will have to be negotiated. Jean will get the information for next week. The next bus contract should state "no more than a 45 minute commute". Jean will also ask if the district can go to another company if this one cannot provide what is needed.

5. New Activity Agreement Form

Samples provided.

6. Overnight or Outside New England Field Trip

a. MS Grade 8 Washington DC/NY City Trip, 4/23-27/16

J. Minutes September 14, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes of September 14, 2015 made by Ginks, seconded by Nancy. Ginks motion to amend and add her to the attendance, seconded by Nancy and approved 3-0-1; Steve abstained. Minutes approved as amended 3-0-1; Steve abstained.

K. Public Comment

David Fullerton thanked the superintendent for his plan.

Trish Bush said a small bus may work, because they are heavier. Students are not taking bus 68 in the morning at 5:45am. She also said there may be parents who could provide transportation services.

L. School Board Response to Public Comment

M. Action Items

1. Appointments, Leaves and Resignations

Motion to approve made by Nancy, seconded by Ginks and approved 4-0.

2. Overnight or Outside New England Field Trips

- a. MS Grade 8 Washington DC/NY City Trip, 4/23-27/16

Motion to approve made by Nancy, seconded by Ginks and approved 4-0

3. Facilities Use Waiver Request – NH Northern Lights, HDES Gym, Saturdays,
12/1/15-3/1/16, 2-5pm

Motion to approve made by Ginks, seconded by Nancy and approved 4-0

4. Snow Plow Contract

Motion to award the snow plowing contract to Fireside Farms for three years at \$65,000 made by Ginks, seconded by Nancy and approved 4-0.

N. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Nancy, seconded by Ginks and approved 4-0 at 9:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelly Gardner, Board Secretary

Addendum

To: Members, Hillsboro-Deering School Board
From: Mr. Robert A. Hassett, Superintendent of Schools
Date: September 28, 2015

Approved 10-5-15

Re: Appointments, Leaves and Resignations – Teachers & Administrators

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The following resignations, leaves, and appointments of teachers have occurred since the September 14, 2015 School Board meeting:

RESIGNATIONS: None

LEAVES:

Emily Kotkowski – HDES Nurse, maternity leave, effective approx. 11/24/15-2/8/16

TRANSFERS: None

APPOINTMENTS:

Maggie Cover – HDES Field Day Coordinator, \$250 stipend, for 2015-16 school year

Mitchell Silverman – HDMS KIG Afterschool Program Instructor, \$35/hr, 4hrs/wk, effective 9/8/15-6/6/16

Robert Lemenkuler – HDMS KIG Afterschool Program Music Instructor, \$35/hr, 6.75hrs/wk, effective 9/8/15-6/6/16

Carrie Young – HDES Afterschool Music Director and Strings Teacher, \$2,000 stipend, effective 9/21/15-5/31/16

Suzanne Richard – HDES Afterschool Guitar/Band Teacher, \$7,000 stipend, effective 9/21/15-5/31/16

HDES Title I Family Education Activity Night Teachers - \$35/hour, for 2015-16 school year:

Jill Cover – up to 30 hours

Danielle Levitz - up to 20 hours

Beth Holdredge - up to 20 hours

HDMS Academic Support “Homework Club” Teachers – \$35/hr, up to 2 hours/wk. for 15-16 school year

Linda Carson

Stephanie Lamothe

Nicole St. Jean

Google Apps Ad Hoc Committee – \$35/hr, up to 20 hours/yr. for 15-16 school year

Alex Luhtjarv

Jen Blaschik

Jacob Roth-Ritchie

Melissa Robbins

Nicole St. Jean

Mollie Mark

Stephanie Savoy

Diane Hines

Susan Bearor

Jessica Rowe

HDES After School Club Leaders – \$250 stipend, effective 9/21/15-11/24/15

Carolyn Stiles – Walking Club

Brenda Prochilo – Puzzle Club

Vicky Wheeler – Lego Club – K-2
Karen Cota – Lego Club – 2-4
Stephanie Savoy – Crazy 8 Math – 3-5
Stephanie Savoy – Crazy 8 Math – K-2
Diane Hines – Games for Math Skill