Hinsdale School Board Meeting
Hinsdale School District
SAU Building
January 14, 2015
6:15 PM

Board Members Present: Holly Kennedy, Jeana Woodbury, James O’Malley and Sean Leary

Excused: Tina McCosker

Student Representative: Victoria Dalton and Zeb Hildreth

Administration Present: Patricia Bassett, Interim Superintendent; Tom O’Connor, Business Administrator; Ann Freitag, Principal; Joe Boggio, Principal; Deborah Child-Trabucco, Technology Coordinator; Sue Taft, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Jeffrey Kenney, Vice Principal

The meeting was called to order by H. Kennedy at 6:15 PM.

MINUTES:

J. O’Malley -MOVED to approve the public minutes of December 10, 2014; SECONDED S. Leary. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Citizens Comments:

April Anderson updated the Board on the activities of the PTA.

Board Business:

Student Representatives:

Zeb Hildreth reviewed the Class of 2016 fundraisers. The prom will be held at Stonewall Farm this year. Zeb has also received a scholarship to attend the February CADCA conference. Victoria Dalton updated the Board on senior class activities. The Board congratulated Victoria on receiving her college acceptance to Johnson State College in Vermont. Victoria also reviewed the upcoming Variety Show that will be held February 28, 2014.

Policy GEBD- Employee Use of Social Networking Websites and Policy JICJ Unauthorized Communications Device:

The Board reviewed policy, GEBD- Employee Use of Social Networking Website and Policy JICJ Unauthorized Communication Devices. After discussion and changes made the following motion was made;

S. Leary - MOVED to approve the policies GEBD –Employee Use of Social Networking Websites and Policy JICJ Unauthorized Communications Devices a first reading. J. Woodbury SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Job Description Review:

P. Bassett reviewed the job descriptions for Director of Technology, Business Administrator, Executive Assistant to Superintendent and Student Assistance Counselor. She stated that she has reviewed with the staff the job descriptions to make sure they are up to date. After discussion the following motion was made:
S. Leary - MOVED to approve the job descriptions of Director of Technology, Business Administrator, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, and Student Assistance Counselor as presented. J. O’Malley SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Budget Committee:

H. Kennedy welcomed the Budget Committee to the meeting. Discussion was had concerning the overall budget. T O’Connor reviewed the reduction of $150,000.00. After discussion the budget committee members approved the budget as presented. T O’Connor stated that there would be two additional money warrant articles, $50,000.00 for the Building Fund and the Hinsdale Support Staff Association agreement. The budget hearing will be held February 4, 2015 at 6:30 at the Hinsdale Town Hall, the Board will meet at 6:15 at the town hall to approve the warrant articles.

Ratification of Support Staff Contract:

The negotiating committee reviewed the contract with the Board. After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary - MOVED to approve the ratification of the Support Staff contract as negotiated. J. O’Malley SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

School Board Policy Updates:

The Board reviewed policy, JFAA- Admission of Resident Student and JICK- Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention (Bullying). After discussion the following motion was made;

J. Woodbury - MOVED to approve the policies JFAA- Admission of Resident students and JICK Pupil Safety and Violence (bullying) as a Final Reading. J. O’Malley SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

The Board reviewed policy JKAA- use of Restraints and Seclusion and JLCJ- Concussion and Head Injuries Discussion followed after discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary - MOVED to approve the policies JKAA- Use of Restraints and Seclusion and JLCJ- Concussion and head Injuries. J. Woodbury SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Other Business to come before the Board:

The yearbook ad was reviewed.

H. Kennedy stated the Board was asked to come to the February 25 PTA meeting at 6:00 pm at the Elementary School to review the warrant. Candidates for the School Board will be available for questions and comments.

H. Kennedy has been in touch with Mark Taft to facilitate the community meetings; the fee would be $250.00 for the initial planning and $75.00 an hour for the meetings. After discussion the following motion was made:

J. O’Malley - MOVED to hire Mark Taft to serve as a facilitator for the Board/Community meetings. J. Woodbury SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED
H. Kennedy will contact M. Taft to see what day would work for him, January 21 or 28 to meet with the Board for a work session.

H. Kennedy and J. Woodbury will be at a conference offered by the New Hampshire School Board Association concerning superintendent relationships on Wednesday February 1. After discussion the February Board meeting will be held on Tuesday February 10 at 6:15.

The Board recognized Alec Fleming for his accomplishment of being recognized as Windham Career Center student of the month.

**Financial Report:**

T’ O’Connor reviewed his report with the Board.

**Curriculum Report:**

S. Taft reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. S. Taft would like to give a presentation to the Board concerning Common Core. It will be a five minute video.

**Technology Report:**

D. Trabucco reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. The new HNHSD.org website was rolled out today. The school updates will take place over the summer or as time permits.

**Principal Reports:**

J. Boggio reviewed his report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. J. Boggio introduced Sue Baczewski who is currently in the principal leadership program.

A. Freitag reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. A. Freitag congratulated Matthew Thomas and Utlin Akley for their participation in a chess tournament that was held at the public library. A. Freitag also explained the early release due to exam for Friday and next Tuesday and Wednesday. After discussion the following motion was made:

**J. O’Malley - MOVED to allow for early release of the Middle High School for the 16th, 19th and the 20th S. Leary SECONDED. VOTE 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED**

**Superintendent’s Report:**

P. Bassett reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. P. Bassett highlighted Rob Breckenridge the Student Assistance Counselor. P Bassett updated the Board on the resignation of Wayne Kassotis as the Student Resource Officer and the hiring of Marcello D’Alessandro to fill that position.

**Citizens Comments:**

April Anderson reviewed with the Board that donations received when Ellen Gomarlo’s father Red McCormick died would be used for by the PTA. They will work on improving the basketball portion of the playground and installing a plaque to recognize Mr. McCormick.
Committee Reports:

Selectmen Update: J. O’Malley has been appointed to fulfill a term until the March elections. The Board is working on budgets.

Negotiations: completed

Wellness: nothing to report

Budget Committee: done in contents of meeting

Staff Development: no updates

Legislative Committee: J. O’Malley updated the Board on the New Hampshire School Board delegate assembly and the legislation they would be working on this year.

NHSBA: J. O’Malley reviewed with the Board the Berlin School district and their 2014 School Board of Excellence award.

Windham Regional Career Center: next meeting Tuesday March 17, 2014

Crisis/Emergency Management: no updates

Arts: meeting to be scheduled

HASP Advisory: S. Leary reviewed information at the meeting that was held; next meeting will be February 10, 2015 at 5:30 in the SAU offices.

The School Board congratulated Marla Britt, Hinsdale High School Class of 1997 graduate on being named one of the Silicon Valley 40 under 40 in the Silicon Valley Business Journal. Ms. Britt is a senior process engineer for Applied Materials Silicon Systems Group.

S. Leary MOVED to go into non-public session according to RSA 91 A: 3 (a) (b) at 7:50 pm J. O’Malley SECONDED. Roll Call – H. Kennedy–yes, S. Leary–yes, J. Woodbury–yes, J. O’Malley–yes, VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

S. Leary MOVED to go out non-public session at 8:05 PM. J. O’Malley SECONDED. Roll Call –H. Kennedy yes, S. Leary–yes, J. Woodbury- yes- J. O’Malley- yes, VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. S. Leary SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

I attest that this a true copy of the minutes:
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Ann Marie Diorio