Hinsdale School Board Meeting  
Hinsdale School District  
SAU Building  
December 16, 2015  
6:15 PM

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

Tina McCosker excused for Budget Committee meeting

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

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

H. Kennedy read the reason for the first public hearing; to withdraw $205,352 from the Building Maintenance Trust fund to cover summer 2015 roof repairs.

T. O’Connor reviewed with the Board the roof work that was completed over the summer.

After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary -MOVED to approve the withdrawal of $205,352.00 from the Building Maintenance Trust Fund to cover the summer roof work. ; SECONDED J. Woodbury VOTE: 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED

H. Kennedy stated the reason for the second public hearing; Per RSA 189:68 Policy EEAA Video and Audio Surveillance of School Property (recording of students).

After discussion the following motion was made:

J. Woodbury - MOVED to approve policy EEAA Video and Audio Surveillance of School Property as a first reading. S. Leary SECONDED. VOTE4 -0-0 MOTION PASSED

J. Woodbury - MOVED to close the public hearing. S. Leary SECONDED. VOTE4 -0-0 MOTION PASSED

H. Kennedy called the regular meeting to order at 6:20 PM.

MINUTES:

J. Woodbury -MOVED to approve the public minutes of November 3, 2015; SECONDED S. Leary VOTE: 3-1-0 MOTION PASSED

S. Leary -MOVED to approve the public minutes of November 4, 2015; SECONDED J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

S. Leary -MOVED to approve the non- public minutes of November 4, 2015; SECONDED J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

S. Leary -MOVED to approve the public minutes of December 2, 2015; SECONDED J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

S. Leary -MOVED to approve the non- public minutes of November 4, 2015; SECONDED J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED
Citizens Comments:

Heather Girroir asked a question concerning policy EEAA if it was a new policy, it was stated that it was an old policy with an added paragraph concerning videoing students and teachers.

Board Business:

Mari Bruner Safe Routes to Schools:

Ms. Bruner was unable to attend this was rescheduled for January.

Student Representatives:

Rachel Girroir, representative from the sophomore class gave an update on the basketball teams, language trips and a commendation to her teacher Ms. Robinson. Rachel appreciates the homework policy she thinks it makes the students work harder. She also added that Nick Pillsbury, the Athletic Director was doing a great job.

Karen Thompson ELO Coordinator introduced Catherine Bacon a student participating in an ELO. Catherine is a member of the Young Entrepreneurs Club at Keene State College. She is starting her own business making jewelry. There are twelve students involved, in the YEC, she is the only female. In April there will be a Shark tank of local business owners who will decide whether to fund the students business and at what level.

Victoria Dalton who graduated last year shared her experience in college and how her theatre ELO helped her become the stage manager for Greenfield Community Colleges performance of Dracula, the director said she was one of the best stage managers he had worked with.

Ms. Thompson stated that Haley Gilbeau was at her ELO site and was on her way. H. Kennedy stated the meeting would continue and Haley would give her presentation when she arrived.

Space/Safety Issues at the Elementary School:

Discussion was had concerning the space and safety issues at the elementary school. M. Taft and J. Boggio are spearheading a committee of teachers to tackle the problem. S. Leary stated that he believes a warrant article to put money into the expendable trust to start to plan for the project is needed. The walk through with the Fire Chief was enlightening with what is expected because of the regulations. S. Leary would like this to be part of the discussion for the budget work session on the twenty ninth of December.

Student Representatives:

Haley Gilbeau was introduced by Ms. Thompson. Hailey gave a presentation concerning her equestrian ELO, her work with a horse named Everett and how she is re-training him. She works at Journey Brook Farm in Bernardston.

Information concerning student trip to Paris:

P. Bassett reviewed with the Board a letter from the travel company that is being used Educational Tours and how they were working to make sure that students were safe during their trip.

Acceptance of Gifts per KCD

The Board reviewed a gift from Daryl Pillsbury in the amount of $300.00 for use by the Athletic Department. After discussion the following motion was made:
J. Woodbury-MOVED to approve the acceptance of the gift of $300.00 from Daryl Pillsbury for use by the Athletic Department; SECONDED S. Leary VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

The Board reviewed a gift in the amount of approximately $4,000.00 to have a soccer score board in memory of Phil Howe after discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary MOVED to approve the acceptance of the gift of approximately $4,000.00 from the Howe Family for a new soccer score board; SECONDED J. O'Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Information regarding Primex and PLT:

T. O'Connor explained that PLT will cease to exist as of June 30, 2016. He is exploring quotes for Primex regarding Property and Liability, Worker Compensation and Unemployment.

Community Forum Updates:

The Community Forum will be held on Wednesday January 27, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the Hinsdale Middle High School Library. Community Connections Committee will meet on Wednesday January 6, 2016 at 5:30 pm to plan the event.

Budget Review:

The Board and A Team will meet on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at 5:30 to continue the budget discussion. The Board will reach out to the budget committee to see if they can meet January 6, 2016.

Update Superintendent Search:

The Board welcomed Wayne Woolridge, he will start on January 5, 2016 and P. Bassett will be his tour guide for the day.

Any other business to be conducted before the Board:

S. Leary reported out about an app that SAU 29 has to text message parents. D. Trabucco stated that is something we had the capability to do and have been working on. It should be available to parents by the next report card.

S. Leary passed out a document that was dated August 1, 1901 from the school that is consistent with current needs in educating children.

Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee: negotiations session to be held on December 18, 2015.

Health, Safety and Wellness: next meeting will be January 26, 2016.

Town Budget Committee: Tina is meeting with them tonight.

Staff Development: no updates

Legislative Committee/NHSBA: J. O'Malley reviewed hot topics with the Board.

Windham Regional Career Center: no updates

Crisis/Emergency Management: no updates
**HASP Advisory:** Next meeting will be January 13, 2016 at 5:30 pm

**Selectmen:** J. O’Malley updated the Board on the meeting he attended. Steve Diorio, Selectmen stated they are trying to get a larger sign concerning School Street being one way and one at the other end.

**Facilities/Maintenance:** J. O’Malley and S. Leary reviewed the meeting that was held on December 4, 2015.

**Community Connections:** Next meeting January 6, 2016 at 5:30 pm. Community Forum January 27, 2016 at 6:00 pm

**Financial Report:**

T. O'Connor reviewed his report with the Board; questions were asked and answered.

**Curriculum Report:**

S. Taft reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered.

**Technology Report:**

The Board reviewed D. Trabucco’s report; questions were asked and answered. D. Trabucco reviewed the Hour of Code that some teacher participated in.

**Principal Reports:**

J. Boggio reviewed his report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. J. Boggio reminded the Board that the Holiday Concert will be held tomorrow Thursday at 6:30 pm. J. Boggio also review the plan for recess this spring.

A. Freitag reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. A Freitag also announced that there will be a driver’s education class offered Jan, March and May, by that time we should have a teacher. A. Freitag also reviewed the exam schedule and early release days with the Board.

**Assistant Superintendent’s Report:**

M. Taft reviewed his report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. M. Taft thanked the Board for allowing him to be a part of the school. The Board thanked Mark for his service and presented him with a gift of appreciation

**Superintendent’s Report:**

P. Bassett reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered. P. Bassett thanked the Board for allowing her to have such a wonderful experience this late in her career. P. Bassett also stated how she is planning on addressing the Annual Report.

**Citizens Comments:**

None
J. Woodbury MOVED to go into non-public session according to RSA 91 A: 3 (a) (b) at 8:15 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 go out non-public session at 8:35 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 8:36 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