

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting  
Hinsdale School District  
January 27, 2016  
Middle High School Library  
Community Forum  
6:00 PM**

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

Absent: Tina McCosker

Mark Taft briefly reviewed the format for this forum. The forum would be broken into four parts. The introduction of Wayne Woolridge, the new superintendent. The Board will review what had happened in the district since the last forum. Joe Boggio would review the space issues at the elementary school. Then there would be a question and answer period.

Wayne Woolridge gave an over view of his educational and family background. He stated he is excited to be in Hinsdale. He believes in the staff, the students, and the town. He stated he is truly lucky that this opportunity came along and he looks forward to helping the hopes and dreams of the community move forward.

Holly Kennedy and other members of the Board stated what has been accomplished since the last forum's list of hopes and dreams.

- More college and career prep advice
- Challenges for high- achieving students
- Social skills learning
- Music program has been expanded
- Scheduling of required classes , earlier receipt of schedules
- Staff familiarity with IEPs
- Technology
- Retentions of teachers better pay.
- Outside time for high school student, picnic table were purchased and now students can go outside during lunch time.

Holly Kennedy also reviewed the work of the Community Connections committee that she and Jeana are a part of. She encouraged people to e mail [communityconnections@hnhsd.org](mailto:communityconnections@hnhsd.org) with their thoughts, concerns, suggestions to help the Board with their decision making process.

Joe Boggio, Principal of the Hinsdale Elementary School, discussed space issues at the Elementary School. Mr. Boggio explained the complexity of the space issues at the school and how a committee of teachers and administration is working on a long term solution. The floor plan was reviewed as were the regulations concerning having younger children above the ground floor. Mr. Boggio reviewed a number of slides with the people present. Mr. Boggio reviewed the next steps after the issues have all been identified to form a committee of teachers, parents and community members to advance to the next step.

Questions were asked concerning whether you could swap the school, educational specifications and how to fund the construction. It was asked that people come to the District meeting March 12, 2016 at 9:00 am at the Robin Beauregard Gymnasium. There would be child care provided from 9:00 am to noon.

When the time to vote for what solution is brought forward to the voters it was mentioned that this would have to be a 2/3 majority vote to pass. There may be also building aid added back into the state of New Hampshire budget at that time.

Questions were asked concerning the additional instructional time that is part of the new teacher's contract. Theresa Davis, president of the Hinsdale Federation of Teachers reviewed with people present what the

additional time would look like. Five additional minutes added on to the morning and ten minutes added to the end of the day.

Questions were asked about Everyday Math, Sue Taft reviewed the steps that were being taken in the district concerning this. Mrs. Taft also updated the attendees on the Common Core Standards regarding math.

Questions were asked concerning the give back of funds to the Town of Hinsdale over the past several years. Tom OConnor, Business Administrator, explained how and why this happened.

The Board apologized that it had to cut the question time short but they had a meeting with the budget committee at 7:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:32

I attest that this a true copy of the minutes:

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