# Hinsdale School Board Meeting Hinsdale School District SAU Building December 13, 2017 6:15 PM

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

Excused: Tina McCosker

Administration Present: Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent, Ann Freitag, Principal, Deborah Child-Trabucco, Director of Technology, Tom O'Connor, Business Administrator, Joseph Boggio, Principal, Tom Ronning, Vice Principal

H. Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM

#### **Minutes**

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the public and non-public minutes of November 7, 2017 SECONDED J. O'Malley. J. Woodbury abstained. VOTE: 3-0-1 MOTION PASSED.

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the public and non-public minutes of November 16, 2017. SECONDED J. O'Malley. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

S. Leary –MOVED to approve the public and non-public minutes of December 5, 2017. SECONDED J. O'Malley. The minutes had the incorrect date of December 4, 2017 and with this correction, the minutes were approved. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

### **Citizens Comments**

There were no citizens comments.

### **Board Business**

### **Student Representatives**

Victoria Gassett and Lauren Southwick were present representing the students. Each of them reported on their experience with their Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO). Lauren is working in the first grade at Chesterfield School and in our HASP program. Her project is to study the impact of flexible seating on learning. Victoria is currently working with Mutual Aide in Keene 2 to 3 times per week. She has had an ELO all four years of school and it has helped her identify her interest in fire-fighting. She has many certifications already. The board commented on how valuable it is to know what you would like to do for a career based on the ELO. The exhibitions of ELO's are scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Recognition Committee**

The Recognition Committee will recognize teachers and staff for their contribution to the schools in order to promote a positive climate and atmosphere.

S. Leary MOVED to establish a School board Recognition Committee. SECONDED J, Woodbury. Members of the committee were discussed. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED Membership includes, Sean Leary, Holly Kennedy, and Ann Diorio.

### **Hydro Agreement Approval**

Mr. OConnor presented information about receiving a renewal reminder for the Hydro Agreement. The current agreement ends in February 2018. The new agreement will run for two years to 2020.

J. O'Malley MOVED to approve the Hydro Agreement as presented. SECONDED S. Leary. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

#### **Primex Assurance Program Approval**

Mr. OConnor presented information to the board on Primex Assurance Program. This program handles the Workmen's Compensation and Property Liability for the district.

S. Leary MOVED to approve the Primex Assurance Program. SECONDED J. O'Malley. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

#### **Budget Update**

Mr. O'Connor presented an updated budget based on the desire to have the increase less than 5%. The budget is now a 4.84 % increase. The school board and budget committee continue to work together to establish a joint meeting time. If the budget committee meets on 12/20 and S. Leary is unable to attend he will contact J. Woodbury and H. Kennedy to see if they can fill in. The board expressed appreciation for how well the budget had been presented by Mr. O'Connor.

#### **Final Readings of Board Policy**

S. Leary MOVED to accept as a final reading BEDB- Agenda Preparation and Dissemination, BEDG- Minutes, BEDG-R- Access to Minutes and Public Records, DIH-Fraud Prevention and Fiscal Management, DKA- Payroll Procedures; SECONDED J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

### **First Readings of Policy**

S. Leary MOVED to accept the package of policies for a first reading of Policy-EBCA Emergency Plans, EH Public Use of School Records, GBCD- Criminal Records Checks, GBI- Staff Participation in Political Activities, IGE- Parental Objections to Specific Courses. SECONDED J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

### **Old Business**

The group email for the school board is set up. Awaiting confirmation from one member that it works.

J. O'Malley brought up the special meeting for signing the Letters of Authorization on January 30<sup>th</sup>. It was decided to hold the meeting at 6 PM in the SAU Conference Room. Certain Letters

of Authorization may be approved at the January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting in order to purchase items with lead time.

J. O'Malley reported on the article in the Reformer about receiving the award from Presence Learning. There was also a radio announcement and a shorter article in the Sentinel.

Financial Report: No Discussion

**Curriculum Report:** No Discussion

**Technology Report:** No Discussion

### **Principal's Report**

J. Boggio reviewed his report with the board. Noting that the Job Description for the Planning Room Para was inadvertently left out of the package and will be part of next month's packet. The goals of the planning room were discussed.

A. Freitag reviewed her report noting that the Student Council is doing a Food Drive to benefit the local food pantry. Also, there will be a benefit for Mr. Francis on January 13, 2018. Mrs. Freitag went over key data from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey and some information on the Next Generation Science Standards.

<u>Superintendent's Report</u> Mr. Woolridge answered questions about SB 193 pertaining to how the funds are disbursed. There is a private company that parents will apply to for funds. The amount is approximately \$3,600 regardless of the age of the students. Home schooled students would still have the right to attend classes and participate in extra-curricular activities. Mr. Woolridge emphasized the importance of branding for the district to minimize the number of students lost.

#### **Committee Reports**

**HES Building Improvement :** The draft logistics plan has been received and is in review. J. O'Malley wants to ensure staff is informed of the plan.

**Personnel:** No Report

<u>Health Safety and Wellness</u>: Next meeting is 2/13/18. The Wellness Coordinator is leading a walk across Russia.

<u>Town Budget</u>: The tentative date for the budget committee meeting is 12/20/17. A board member will be present.

**Staff Development :** No report

<u>Legislation/NHSBA:</u> Already discussed impact of SB 193. Mr. Woolridge reminded the board of the legislator visit slated for Friday December 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 10. J. O'Malley reported that the delegate conference is scheduled for 1/20/2018.

**Emergency Management:** No Report

## **Windham Career Center:** No report

<u>HASP Advisory Board:</u> H. Kennedy reported there is an opportunity to collaborate with two other organizations on a United Way grant. Year 1 the focus is on children, year 2 it is on education. Mrs. O'Malley and Mrs. Trabucco are working on the logistics of using School Messenger App for HASP announcements.

<u>Selectmen:</u> S. Leary reported that the focus is on the budget. There was discussion at their last meeting about conducting an Informational Meeting to explain the increase in the tax rate. Mr. Leary requested that the board collaborate with the selectmen since the increase is partially due to the school and the success the school board has had in preparing information for the building project.

<u>Facilities Maintenance</u>: J. O'Malley reported the next meeting is scheduled for December 15. Looking at solar power but it is still in the discussion stage.

<u>Community Connections:</u> H. Kennedy reported the next forum will focus on Bullying or Hunger.

Citizens Com	ments:
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- S. Leary MOVED to go into non-public session according to RSA 91 -A:3 II (a) at 7:20 pm; J. O'Malley SECONDED. Roll Call -S. Leary—yes, H. Kennedy- yes, J. O'Malley-yes, J. Woodbury-yes- VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED
- S. Leary MOVED to go out non-public session at 7:37 PM; J. O'Malley SECONDED. Roll S. Leary—yes, H. Kennedy- yes- J. O'Malley- yes, J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.
- J. Woodbury MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM. J. O'Malley SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

I attest that this is a true copy	y of the minutes:	
	approved on	
Ann Marie Diorio	**	