Board Members Present: Holly Kennedy, Kaylah Hemlow, Sean Leary, and James O’Malley (left at 7:15 pm)

Excused: Jeana Woodbury

Administration present: Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent; Ann Freitag, Principal; Deborah Child Trabucco, Director of Technology; Joseph Boggio, Principal

Other staff present: Nika Oakes, Middle School Counselor, Paula Brault, High School Counselor, Tim Fleming, Student Assistance Counselor, Sara Donahue, Social Worker, Alicia Kinson, School Counselor, Marcello D’Alessandro, School Resource Officer, Todd Faulkner, Chief of Police.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

W. Woolridge reviewed the format for the evening. The discussions would revolve around three topics, Social Emotional Learning, Bullying, and School Safety.

Social Emotional Learning

Nika Oakes, Middle School Counselor, Paula Brault, High School Counselor, Tim Fleming, Student Assistance Counselor, Sara Donahue, Social Worker, Alicia Kinson, School Counselor reviewed what is being done with students Pre-K to 12th graders regarding Social Emotional Learning (see attached Power Point). Questions were asked and answered.

Bullying

Joe Boggio, Principal and Ann Freitag, Principal reviewed the bullying policy with the audience. The discussion revolved around the Hinsdale School District Policy JICK- Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention- Bullying.

Parents expressed concerns regarding retaliation, more communication between the school and parents, how the school handles retaliation between students, more information as to what a student safety plan is and how it is implemented.

School Safety

Marcello D’Alessandro, School Resource Officer, Todd Faulkner, Chief of Police reviewed with the audience the number of grants that have been received this year to improve school security, including Quick Action Door Locks, Window Security Film, and Surveillance Upgrades. These grants have been approved by the state and accepted by the School Board.
Officer D’Alessandro and Chief Faulkner also reviewed a new school wide safety program that they would like to bring to the School Board for approval it is much simpler than the one currently in effect and is timelier to this day and age. It is a program from the I Love U Guys Foundation. Questions were asked and answered.

S. Leary MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM K. Hemlow SECONDED. VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

I attest that this a true copy of the minutes:

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Ann Marie Diorio