Hinsdale School Board Meeting
Hinsdale School District
SAU Building
November 14, 2018
6:15 PM

Board Members Present: Jeana Woodbury, Sean Leary, James O’Malley, and Kaylah Hemlow

Excused: Holly Kennedy

Administration Present: Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent; Ann Freitag, Principal; Tom O’Connor, Business Administrator; Joseph Boggio, Principal; Tom Ronning Vice Principal; Karen Craig, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

S. Leary called the meeting to order at 6:16 PM

Minutes

J. O’Malley – MOVED to approve the public minutes of October 12, 2018, SECONDED J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

J. O’Malley – MOVED to approve the public minutes and nonpublic minutes of October 10, 2018, SECONDED J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Citizens Comments

Steve Diorio wished Sean Leary a happy birthday.

Board Business

Student Representatives

Shelby Martell and Lexie LeClair updated the Board on the End 68 Hours of Hunger campaign. The National Honor Society started 68 Hours of Hunger campaign two years ago. They started with 10 children and are now up to 42 children that they send home with backpacks. They explained about the shopping trips they go on and showed some of the items that are in the backpack. They are looking for drawstring bags for the younger children. The Board thanked them for their work on this project.

Action Plan for Learning Goal- Hinsdale Middle High School and Hinsdale Elementary School

A Freitag reviewed with the Board the 2018-2019 Hinsdale Middle/High School Action Plan. The goal is from now until the spring testing to have a 10% increase in students’ scores. Information was discussed and questions were answered.

J. Boggio reviewed with the Board the 2018-2019 Hinsdale Elementary School Action Plan. J. Boggio reviewed Title One and intervention programs that are in place. Information was discussed and questions were answered.
Approve Board Goals for 2018-2019

The Board reviewed the goals that were set; after discussion the following motion was made:

J. O’Malley MOVED to accept the Hinsdale School Board Goals for the 2018-2019 year. SECONDED J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Policy: Policy JRA Student Records and Access- FERPA

The Board discussed policy JRA- Student Records Access- FERPA

After discussion the following motion was made:

J. Woodbury MOVED to approve as a final reading policy JRA- Student Record Access FERPA. SECONDED K. Hemlow. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Final Reading IKFC- Alternate Diploma, IMDA- Patriotic Exercises, JIC- Student Conduct, JJJ- Access to public Programs by Nonpublic, Charter School and Home Educated Students

The policies were discussed. After discussion the following motion was made:

O’Malley MOVED to accept policy IKFC- Alternate Diploma, IMDA- Patriotic Exercises, JIC- Student Conduct, JJJ- Access to Public Programs by Nonpublic, Charter School and Home Educated Students as a final reading; SECONDED J. Woodbury. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

First Reading Policy – AC- Non Discrimination, ADB/GBEC Drug Free Workplace, ADC/GBED Tobacco, BEDG- Minutes

Discussion was held concerning the first reading of the policies. After discussion the following motion was made:

J. Woodbury MOVED to accept policy AC- Non Discrimination, ADB/GBEC Drug Free Workplace, ADC/GBED Tobacco, BEDG- Minutes as a first reading; SECONDED J. O’Malley. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Budget Review- set dates for meeting

Discussion included loss of revenue, lower evaluations and higher tax rate. The budget as presented is up 1.54%, the Board would like administration to review to see if we could come in at a flat budget for next year. The Board set the date of November 26, 2018 at 7:15 pm to discuss the budget with administration.
Other Business

J. O’Malley brought in another box of books for the library. The Hinsdale Education Foundation gave out grants to the following:

Ann King- Science Integration Kits
Katherine Cortina- School Garden Beds
Cathy Johnson- Nurses Assistant Program
Jen Towle- Field trip to BMAC
Jennifer Taggart- Preschool Composting Program

S. Leary stated the he has not received the letter from H. Kennedy concerning a letter to the Selectmen regarding School Street. This will be brought up at the next meeting.

J. O’Malley MOVED to accept the Capital Improvement Plan as presented. SECONDED K. Hemlow. VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Financial Report: T. O’Connor reviewed his report with the Board; questions were asked and answered.

Curriculum Report: K. Craig reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered by W. Woolridge.

Technology Report: D. Trabucco’s report was reviewed by W. Woolridge; questions were asked and answered.

Principal’s Report A. Freitag reviewed her report with the Board; questions were asked and answered.

J. Boggio reviewed his report with the Board; questions were asked and answered.

Superintendent’s Report
Superintendent Woolridge reviewed his report with the Board. Questions were asked and answered.

Committee Reports

Personnel: Meeting with the teacher’s union is ongoing.

Health Safety and Wellness: J. O’Malley updated the Board on the meeting that was held October 29, 2018; reviewed Harvest of the Month and no idling signs.
Town Budget Committee: Meeting concerning budgets are scheduled weekly.

Staff Development: No updates


Emergency Management: No Report

Windham Career Center: No Report

HASP Advisory Board: No Report

Selectmen: Looking at budgets.

Facilities Maintenance: Working on the CIP next meeting will be November 16, 2018.

Community Connections: Judge Broderick will be here Tuesday November 27, at 1:30 for a high school presentation and 6:30 for a Board presentation. The Board is invited to have dinner at 4:30 with the mental health team and principals.

Citizens Comments:
P. Ohmart asked a question regarding teacher retention, A. Freitag answered.

J. Woodbury MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM. K. Hemlow SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

I attest that this is a true copy of the minutes:

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Ann Marie Diorio