

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting
Hinsdale School District
SAU Building
November 13, 2019
6:15 PM**

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

Administration Present: Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent; Ann Freitag, Principal; Tom OConnor, 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 nonpublic minutes of October 9, 2019, and the public minutes of October 18, 2019 K. Hemlow SECONDED.

Discussion:

K Hemlow would like the following added to the first sentence in the second paragraph of the October 9, 2019: she didn't agree with the message this sent and believes the school should be teaching self-control.

H. Kennedy called the question:

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the public and nonpublic minutes of September 9, 2019 and the public minutes of October 18, 2019, as amended. K. Hemlow SECONDED VOTE: 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Citizens Comments

Steve Diorio, Selectmen stated that the tax rate had been set. Next year the rate will be \$34.07 which is down a \$1.13 from last year's rate of \$35.20

Board Business

Student Representatives

Maggie St. John updated the Board on her senior year, she has been very busy with her AP classes and dual enrollment at River Valley Community College. Her cross country season ended on a high note, she qualified for the New England Regionals and placed 134th. She also stated that she and her fellow students were upset about the increase in price of lunches and being served less food than last year.

Juliana Yialiades discussed how fast her senior year was going by, she invited the group to the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday the 16. She also shared her opinion regarding the quality of school

lunches this year, the macaroni and cheese was runny and unappealing. A chicken sandwich was overcooked.

Ms. Freitag noted that the Abbey Group has had a hard time keeping cooks this year. They have had several. T. OConnor explained that the Wellness Committee is the body that discusses these kinds of matters and their next meeting is January 6.

The Board asked for an update for their next meeting.

Approve Letter of Engagement for Auditors

The Board reviewed the Letter of Engagement from the auditors. After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the Chair sign the Letter of Engagement as presented. SECONDED J. Woodbury VOTE: 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Communication with Parents:

Discussion was held regarding an incident that happened in the area of the school where the Police as Incident Command. W. Woolridge and T. Ronning reviewed the information supplied by the Emergency Response Team. A letter will be going home to parents that explains procedures in place and what parents can do during a situation. Information will be posted on the school website and in the student handbook. The Board expressed concern about the how the situation was handled. They thanked the committee for their response to the situation and the changes that have been made after the de-brief.

JICA- Student Dress Code

Discussion was held regarding the information that was provided concerning dress code law and dress codes from other schools. After discussion A. Freitag will have the Student Council review the Dress Code and come back in the spring with suggested changes.

Final Reading Policy- JEBA Early Entrance into Kindergarten, JFABD- Homeless Students, JFABE Foster Students, JIA- Due Process

After discussion the following motion was made;

S. Leary – MOVED to approve policies, as a Final Reading Policy- JEBA Early Entrance into Kindergarten, JFABD- Homeless Students, JFABE Foster Students, JIA- Due Process as a first reading. SECONDED J. Woodbury VOTE: 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED

First Reading of Policy- JICD- Student Due Discipline and Due Process, JIHD- Interrogations, JLCC- Head Lice- Pediculosis, JLF- Reporting

After discussion the following motion was made;

S. Leary – MOVED to approve policies, First Reading Policy- JICD- Student Due Discipline and Due Process, JIHD- Interrogations, JLCC- Head Lice- Pediculosis, JLF- Reporting as a first reading. SECONDED J. Woodbury VOTE: 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED

Other Business

None

Financial Report: T. O'Connor's report was reviewed. Discussion was held regarding the new Medicaid rule and the anticipated changes to revenues. Discussion was held regarding the budget time line the following dates were set for December and January meetings:

November 26, 2019 the budget will be e-mailed to Board members

December 2, 2019 after 3:00 pm the budget books will be available at the SAU office

December 4, 2019, Administrative Team will meet with the Board to review the budget 6:30 pm

December 8, 2019 regular Board meeting 6:15

December 17, 2019 Administrative Team and Board work on budget 6:15 pm

January 8, 2020 Joint meeting with Budget Committee and Board 6:15 pm

January 15, 2020 regular Board Meeting 6:15 pm

Curriculum Report: No updates

Technology Report: D. Trabucco's report was reviewed, discussion was around the Free and Reduced numbers.

Principal's Report: A. Freitag reviewed her report with the Board. Discussion was held regarding the testing results that were included in the report. Discussion was also held regarding the NH DOE site approval visit from Marjorie Schoomaker. All items listed have been corrected.

J. Boggio reviewed his report with the Board. J. Boggio asked the Board concerning a company that wanted to have homework books for students they would offer them free of charge but would be soliciting from business in town to do so. After discussion the Board stated that is was against School Board policy and will decline the offer.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Woolridge reviewed his report with the Board. Discussion was held regarding bullying reports.

Committee Reports

Personnel- No updates

Health Safety and Wellness- January 6, 2020.

Town Budget Committee- Meeting November 20, 2019. K. Hemlow will be sitting in for H. Kennedy

Staff Development: No updates

Legislation/NHSBA: No updates

Emergency Management: No updates

Windham Career Center: Information provided in packet

HASP Advisory Board: No updates

Selectmen: They have been working on personnel issues, insurance and budget issues.

Facilities Maintenance: The Facilities Committee met on October 18, 2019, the status of the boiler was discussed, Kathryn Lynch reviewed a request for the school to partner on a project. W. Woolridge is checking with legal. J. O'Malley has presented a comprehensive plan to work on security issues, a written maintenance plan is coming together. Next meeting November 15, 2019.

Community Connections: Meeting to be set up

Behavioral Support Team: Eric Mann from the New Hampshire Center of Effective Interventions and Support discussed a program of multi-tiered systems of support. Next meeting November 20, 2019.

Tuition Exploratory Committee: Matt Upton meet with the committee to give them information regarding various ways to go about charging tuition. It was a lot of information to process and the committee will be meeting again on December 4, there should be more information available at the December 11, 2019 meeting of the School Board

Citizens Comments: Steve Diorio, Selectmen reviewed with the Board the grant that was awarded to the Town for the updates to School Street.

S. Leary MOVED to go into non-public session according to RSA 91 -A:3 II (a) (c) at 8:16 pm; K. Hemlow SECONDED. Roll Call -S. Leary- yes, H. Kennedy- yes, K. Hemlow -yes, J. Woodbury- yes, and J. O'Malley- yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to go out of non-public session at 8:56 PM. K. Hemlow SECONDED. Roll Call S. Leary-yes, H. Kennedy- yes, K. Hemlow- yes, J. Woodbury- yes, and J. O'Malley-yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM. K. Hemlow SECONDED. VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

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

Ann Marie Diorio

approved on _____