

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting
Hinsdale School District
SAU Building
January 15, 2020
6:15 PM**

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

Excused: Jeana Woodbury

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

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

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

The Board held a public hearing according to policy KCD and RSA 198:2 B, gifts in the amount of \$5,000.00 and over.

H. Kennedy welcomed Robin Shaink, mother of Nicholas Shaink, who with his wife Melissa former alumni are proprietors of Professional Drywall Construction. H. Kennedy thanked the Shaink's for their donations totaling \$17,481.73, \$5,000.00 for the Hinsdale After School program and \$12,481.73 to pay off the balances of the school lunch debt as of 12/31/19.

K. Hemlow – MOVED to accept the donations from Nicholas and Melissa Shaink, proprietors of Professional Drywall Company. S. Leary SECONDED. 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Minutes

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the public and nonpublic minutes of December 11, 2019, and the public minutes of December 4, 2019, K. Hemlow SECONDED.

Discussion:

S. Leary wanted to the wording on page two corrected it should read final reading on the policies.

S. Leary wanted on the financial report S. Leary asked for clarification, should be added.

S. Leary wanted to discuss the paragraph concerning the study hall monitor, the minutes only stated one side of the story. He would like the minutes to reflect discussion was had or more information concerning his side of the conversation. K. Hemlow wanted more information. J. O'Malley wanted the minutes to reflect less. After more discussion the Board agreed to the following language:

S. Leary expressed concerned about putting too much on teacher's plates, with the upcoming responsibilities of the behavior support initiative he wanted to make sure the teachers had availability to do what they needed to do.

H. Kennedy called the question:

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the public and nonpublic minutes of December 11, 2019, 2019 as amended J. O'Malley SECONDED. 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the public minutes of December 17, 2019, K. Hemlow SECONDED. 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Citizens Comments

Peter Ohmart expressed concern regarding the teacher's presentation at the last Board meeting regarding threat assessment. Mr. Ohmart also was taken aback by his perception of the treatment of the Board towards Ann Freitag during the budget discussion, and the Chair's treatment of him during the meeting. He also brought up the flashing lights that are not working and condition of the parking lot after plowing.

The Chair explained to Mr. Ohmart that the funds that A. Freitag was discussing was already approved and that the Board did not dismiss her concerns. Mr. Ohmart stated that maybe he did not hear the information correctly. The Board explained that the Facilities Committee will be discussing the lights. The lights have been an ongoing with the Selectmen, the Police Department, and the Faculties Committee. S. Leary explained that Bill Nebelski is working on this, S. Leary has been following up on this for months. The Chair sincerely apologized for snapping at him during the meeting she did not mean to. H. Kennedy explained that there was a Safety Committee meeting that the day the teachers came into the meeting, the Board and the Committee have open communications with each other concerning safety concerns. The Board asked to have a representative on the committee but the request was respectfully declined. A discussion was had regarding the MOU with the town regarding plowing of the parking lots. S. Leary stated that this will be discussed at the Facilities meeting to be held this Friday.

Board Business

Student Reps- Kristin Davis and Makayla Carle

Kristin Davis and Mikayla Carle, reported on how much they enjoyed playing on the Unified Team this year. The Unified Team record is 4-2. Members of the team are: Maggie St. John, Tyler Doyle, Kaylin Fleury, Brandon Doyle, Jewel Morrison, Kristin Davis, Mathew Thorpe, Erica Girroir, Makala Carle, Chandra Burnham and Alan Nadeau.

Kristin also explained that she is Student Council President and this year they are working on the dress code and will be bringing it back to the Board in the Spring. She stated that she works in the Dietary Department of the hospitals as a tray handler and her supervisor stated that some of his best employees have been students from Hinsdale.

NH Charitable Foundation – Grant Acceptance

The District has received a \$2,400.00 grant from the NH Charitable Trust to support music departments and Music /Voice programs. After discussion the following motion was made:

J. O’Malley – MOVED to accept the grant in the amount of \$2,400.00 to support music departments and music/voice programs. SECONDED K. Hemlow VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Travel Club Request

After discussion regarding the Language Club request to Greece, this is being tabled until the next meeting when the advisers can be present to answer questions.

Program of Studies:

Ms. Freitag reviewed the changes to the Program of Studies, questions were asked and answered

After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary – MOVED to accept the program of study as presented with the addition of mentioning policy IKC. SECONDED K. J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

NH School Board Resolutions:

H. Kennedy reviewed with the Board the NH School Board Associations resolutions that will be presented at the Delegate Convention. After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary – MOVED to accept the NHSBA resolutions as presented. SECONDED J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Final Reading/Discussion of Policy JICD- Student Discipline

After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary – MOVED to approve policy JICD- Student Discipline as a final reading. SECONDED K. Hemlow VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Final Reading Policy- ADC/GBED/JICG- Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes and E-Liquids In and On School Facilities and Grounds, BEDG- Minutes, EBCA- Crisis Prevention and Emergency Response Plans, EBCB- Fire and All Hazard Drills, EH- Public Access to School District Records, EH-R Administrative Procedures for Public Access to District Records “Right To Know Request” :

After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary – MOVED to approve the Final Reading Policy- ADC/GBED/JICG- Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes and E-Liquids In and On

School Facilities and Grounds, BEDG- Minutes, EBCA- Crisis Prevention and Emergency Response Plans, EBCB- Fire and All Hazard Drills, EH- Public Access to School District Records, EH-R Administrative Procedures for Public Access to District Records “Right To Know Request” SECONDED K. Hemlow VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

First Reading of Policy-IKC- Academic Honors, Class Ranking, Valedictorian and Salutatorian:

After discussion the following motion was made:

S. Leary – MOVED to approve policy -IKC- Academic Honors, Class Ranking, Valedictorian and Salutatorian as a first reading. SECONDED J. O’Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

First Reading – Policies-JICG-ADC-GBED Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes and E-Liquids In and On School Facilities and Grounds GBED-ADC-JICG- Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes and E-Liquids In and On School Facilities and Grounds- GDB- Employment of Non Certified:

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S. Leary – MOVED to approve policy JICG-ADC-GBED Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes and E-Liquids In and On School Facilities and Grounds GBED-ADC-JICG- Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes and E-Liquids In and On School Facilities and Grounds- GDB- Employment of Non Certified as a first reading. SECONDED J. O’ Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Other Business:

None

Financial Report: T. OConnor’s report was reviewed. It was decided to have the Budget discussion under Budget Committee.

Curriculum Report: K. Craig’s report was reviewed. K. Craig passed out the regulations concerning ED 306.44 Computer Science. She also reviewed with the Board the first grade student led conferences.

Technology Report: D. Trabucco’s report was reviewed.

Principal’s Report: A. Freitag’s report was reviewed. She noted that an article was in the Reformer today concerning the new drone class.

J. Boggio report was reviewed, he gave an update on the Zones of Regulations that was asked about at the last meeting.

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Woolridge reviewed his report with the Board. H. Kennedy also noted that there were instances of students doing performances that were not mentioned.

Committee Reports:

Personnel: No updates

Health Safety and Wellness: Meeting was held January 6, 2020, J O'Malley updated the Board on meeting, including vaping issues, a health fair is being planned, and the student concerns regarding meals. The meals seem to be better with a better staff, students can have unlimited salad and soup bar, portions of the meals are controlled by federal regulations.

Town Budget Committee: H. Kennedy reviewed with the Board the Budget Committee meeting that she attended last night. A lot of discussion was held regarding what items people felt were not needed. There were several motions to cut the budget, one for \$300,000.00, one for \$400,000.00, what was finally decided on was a cut of \$175, 243.00 which is the amount of the budget increase. H. Kennedy explained that the A- Team met today and a proposal was discussed. T. OConnor presented the Board with the proposal of adjustment to the expenditures of the proposed \$175,243.00 cut and an increase in projected revenues to present a flat tax rate. After a very lengthy discussion, the following motion was made:

**H. Kennedy – MOVED to approve the expenditure and revenue forecast as presented
SECONDED J. O'Malley VOTE: 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.**

Staff Development: No Updates

Legislation/NHSBA: J. O'Malley reviewed with the Board a workshop he will be attending in April about Exploring the Landscape of Special Education in New Hampshire.

Emergency Management: No updates

Windham Career Center: No updates

HASP Advisory Board: No updates

Selectmen: Still working on budgets, the sidewalk updates start this year, there will also be work done at the boat landing.

Facilities Maintenance: Next meeting will be January 17, 2020.

Community Connections: Meeting to be set up

Behavioral Support Team: Next meeting January 29, 2020.

Tuition Exploratory Committee: H. Kennedy updated the Board on the meetings. This will be an agenda item in February.

Citizens Comments: P. Ohmart stated he felt the Board should tell the Budget Committee that they need at least 60 days noticed if they wanted cuts etc. H. Kennedy explained the budget process and how that would be impossible due to the timing of presentations.

K. Hemlow MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 PM. S. Leary 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