

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting
Hinsdale School District
SAU Conference Room
Via Zoom:**

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**January 27, 2021
6:15 PM**

Board Members Present: Sean Leary, James O'Malley, Kaylah Hemlow, and Julia Kilelee

Holly Kennedy remote attendee from her residence due pandemic and increase COVID 19 cases in the school community. She was not accompanied by anyone else at the time of the meeting.

Administration Present: Ann Freitag, Principal; Joseph Boggio, Principal

Administration attending remotely: Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent; Tom O'Connor, Business Administrator, Deborah Child-Trabucco, Director of Technology; Julie Fenrich, Director of Special Services, Patricia Wallace, SPED Coordinator HES

Absent: Catlin McLaughlin, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

S. Leary called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM

S. Leary reviewed the guidelines for holding the Zoom meeting.

Minutes

J. O'Malley – MOVED to approve the public minutes of December 2, the public and non-public minutes of December 9, the public minutes of December 14, 2020, and the public minutes of January 6, 2021. J. Kilelee SECONDED. Roll call- J. O'Malley- yes, K. Hemlow-yes, J. Kilelee-yes, H. Kennedy- yes and S. Leary – yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

After discussion the following motion was made:

J. O'Malley – MOVED to approve the public minutes meeting of December 2 as amended, the public and non-public minutes of December 9 as amended, the public minutes of December 14, 2020, and the public minutes of January 6, 2021. J. Kilelee SECONDED. Roll call- J. O'Malley- yes, K. Hemlow-yes, J. Kilelee-yes, H. Kennedy- yes and S. Leary – yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

New Business

Budget Update if needed:

H. Kennedy shared with the Board that a meeting with the Budget Committee will be held on February 1, 2021, 6:00 at SAU for final review and questions.

The budget hearing would be on February 3, 2021, 6:30 at the Hinsdale Town Hall. A Zoom link will be provided to those who wish to join remotely.

W. Woolridge informed the Board, that revenue assistance for the next biannual is in the works with federal and state legislators.

COVID-19 Update- Return to School, Contact-Tracing Protocols

W. Woolridge shared with the Board; Hinsdale School District is probably in the top 10-20% in state for in-person school days YTD. W. Woolridge explained the protocol and process the District followed during the recent COVID- 19 case in the school community.

K. Hemlow recommended alternatively following NH DHHS guidelines and recommendations in the event of positive COVID- 19 cases in the school community in lieu of 10-day remote learning policy currently in place. K. Hemlow suggested possibly requiring only close contact individuals to be quarantined instead of the entire district.

After detail discussion and inputs the Board agreed to keep the current policy in place as a safer alternative as children and adults do come in contact with each other outside school premises. The Board also agreed to keep this item open and revisit for discussion at every Board meeting due to its importance and frequent changes to the situation.

Elyse Cote, HES Nurse reviewed current contact tracing protocols in place with the Board. She explained NH-DHHS defines close contact as a person being within 6 feet of someone with COVID- 19 for at least 10 cumulative minutes over the person's infection period of 48 hours. She explained when a person in the school community is confirmed with COVID-19, NH-DHHS is contacted, and their guidelines and requirements are followed. She further explained, the school is also doing due-diligence and explained that such items as having clipboard with a sign-in sheet are in place outside each room for better contact tracing.

Program of Studies- Motion to accept:

Kody Crawford, HHS guidance counselor reviewed the summary of the changes to 2021-2022 Program of Studies from last year with the Board.

K. Crawford explained that faculty input was submitted through edits, additions and the adoption of the Program of Studies.

Questions were asked and answered.

After discussion, the following motion was made:

J. O'Malley – MOVED to accept the Hinsdale Middle High School Program of Studies 2021-2022. SECONDED K. Hemlow Roll call- J. O'Malley- yes, K. Hemlow-yes, J. Kilelee-yes, H. Kennedy- yes and S. Leary – yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

First Reading of Policy JICC, JLCD, JLCD-F1, JLCD-F2, JLCD-F3, JLCD-R:

After review following motion was made:

J. Kilelee – MOVED to accept the First Reading of Policy JICC, JLCD, JLCD-F1, JLCD-F2, JLCD- F3, JLCD- R. SECONDED J. O'Malley Roll call- J. O'Malley- yes, K. Hemlow-yes, J. Kilelee-yes, H. Kennedy- yes and S. Leary – yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Discussion of School District meeting:

S. Leary advised the Board discussion would be held with their Attorney during the non-public session. The attorney's recommendation and requirements would be taken in consideration on the ability to move the District meeting to a different date due to the pandemic.

Other Business:

J. O'Malley shared Hinsdale Education Foundation has increased their Board membership from 5 to 7 directors. The new directors are Sarah Hudon and April Anderson.

S. Leary discussed the templates for the communication process. Board members provided their input and feedback.

K. Hemlow reviewed with the Board current protocols concerning communications in place for the Hinsdale School Board Facebook site entitled Community Connections. She explained to the Board that, it is an additional platform to deliver information to the community and to minimize online debate, posting requires the approval of the administrators before anyone can post. They would also like to have the comment portion of the dialog turned off. After discussion, Board agreed to keep the protocol in place and keep it as one direction communication channel.

Financial Report: T. O'Connor reviewed his report with the Board

Curriculum Report: W. Woolridge reviewed Curriculum report behalf on of C. McLaughlin.

Technology Report: D. Trabucco reviewed her report with the Board.

Principal's Report:

HMHS: A. Freitag reviewed her report with the Board and requested the following statement be added to the current remote learning expectations for attendance purposes.

“If unable to use a camera, students are required to show a school appropriate picture of his/herself or his/her name must be displayed.” After discussion, the Board agreed to this.

A. Freitag explained MAP testing is not mandatory but recommended as it provides very useful longitudinal data especially for Special Education and Title I programs.

HES: J. Boggio reviewed his report and presented “Onsite temperature screening proposal” to the Board.

The majority of the Board was in favor of the proposal and requested correspondence be sent home to parents.

Superintendent’s Report: W. Woolridge reviewed his report with the Board.

Committee Reports:

Personal Committee- H. Kennedy shared with the Board that the negotiations team will be presenting the Support Staff proposal in nonpublic.

Health and Wellness- J. O’Malley shared with the Board, that **this** week’s meeting was postponed. The next meeting not yet scheduled.

Town Budget Committee- Covered during budget section.

Staff Development- No update

Legislation/ NHSBA- J. O’Malley and H. Kennedy recently attended NHSBA meeting. J. O’Malley shared with the Board; one of the continuous resolutions at the meeting was regarding the restriction of firearms on campus.

Emergency Management- No update

Windham Career Center- No update

HASP Advisory Board- No update

Selectmen- S. Leary shared with the Board; he attended Selectmen’s meeting this week and informed the Board discussion was held regarding possibly moving the date of Town meeting, the town moderator has not yet made decision.

Facilities Maintenance- J. O’Malley shared with the Board, committee met last week, reviewed marquis sign and confirmed \$8000 gift from the class of 2020 was being accounted for correctly.

Community Connections- Discussed during other business conducted by the Board

Behavioral Support Team- Met 1/27/21. K. Hemlow reviewed with the Board; School level teams are reviewing SEL programs and figuring out schedules with Eric Mann in the most cost-effective way, price was negotiated and reduced down to budgeted amount.

Joint Loss Committee- A. Freitag shared with the Board, during the last meeting, the committee reviewed accident reports, COVID protocols, and cleaning procedures. J. Boggio informed the Board, during the meeting risk assessments were partially completed; findings are being addressed and should be fixed by February 1st.

Citizens Comments:

Several people who were on the Zoom link made statements to the Board.

J. Kilelee MOVED to go into non-public session according to RSA 91 -A:3 II (a) (I) at 8:24 pm; K. Hemlow SECONDED. Roll Call -S. Leary– yes, H. Kennedy- yes, K. Hemlow - yes, J. O’Malley-yes, and J. Kilelee- yes. VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED

J. O’Malley MOVED to go out of non-public session at 9:53. J. Kilelee SECONDED. Roll Call S. Leary–yes, H. Kennedy- yes, K. Hemlow- yes-, J. O’Malley- yes, and J. Kilelee- yes. VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED

The Board held a brief discussion about the district meeting date. Given the time constraints, another meeting before the budget hearing won’t be possible. If we move the district meeting and still need a hearing a certain number of days before the district meeting, we will have to comply with having a second budget hearing.

K. Hemlow MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 PM. J. Kilelee SECONDED. Roll call- J. O’Malley- yes, K. Hemlow-yes, J. Kilelee-yes, H. Kennedy- yes and S. Leary – yes VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

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

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Palak Patel

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Ann Marie Diorio