

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting
SAU Conference Room
October 12, 2022
6:00 PM**

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Meeting ID: 961 9301 7942

Board Members Present: Holly Kennedy, Sean Leary, April Anderson, Jeana Woodbury, and Connor Sengaloun, Student Board Member

Board Members Excused: Julia Kilelee

Administration Present: John Barth, Principal; Joe Boggio, Principal; Jodie Holmquist, Business Administrator; Sarah Tatro, Human Resources Manager; Justin Therieau, Director of Technology; Karen Thompson, Director of Teaching and Learning; and Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent

Administration Attending Remotely: Christopher Ponce, HMHS Assistant Principal

Minutes Recorded by: Maria Webb, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Call to Order:

H. Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

H. Kennedy reviewed the guidelines for holding the Zoom meeting.

Review of the Manifests:

The Board received the manifests ahead of time and signed them at the meeting.

Minutes:

S. Leary requested some amendments to the public and non-public minutes of September 14, 2022.

S. Leary MOVED to accept the public minutes of September 13, 2022, the public and non-public minutes of September 14, 2022, with the amendments, and the public minutes of September 28, 2022. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 4-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Citizens' Comments:

H. Kennedy opened the meeting for citizen comments for 30 minutes.

There were no citizens present in the room. M. Webb asked each of those attending via Zoom if they had comments. There were no comments.

New Board Business:

Update on COVID-19 related items:

W. Woolridge shared the HSD and county positivity rate and reported that we are still cleaning surfaces. Noted that the flu and other respiratory viruses have also been reported.

Approval of 2022-2023 Board and District Goals:

The Board agreed to the additional language for the Board Communication goal.

K. Thompson shared some additional language for the Portrait of a Learner goal under Curriculum.

S. Leary MOVED to accept the Board and District Goals with the additional language presented. A. Anderson SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Superintendent Search:

H. Kennedy and A. Anderson shared an overview of the Superintendent Search Committee Meeting on 10/4/2022 for informational purposes.

Printer Donation:

W. Woolridge expressed the benefit of accepting the printer donation.

J. Barth noted that students will benefit from learning the software and the process.

S. Leary MOVED to accept the donation of a printer. A. Anderson SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Student Board Member Topics:

C. Sengaloun shared a summary he presented to the students after the September meeting.

Discussed the request from the students regarding choice of graduation gown color. Would like to stay with blue and white as those are the school colors.

H. Kennedy researched other area schools and seven that she looked at used one color which was the primary school color. Some schools offered a “hybrid” with both school colors included.

H. Kennedy noted that we do not currently have a policy regarding graduation gown color choice and the goal of this discussion is not to create a policy.

S. Leary MOVED to offer students their choice of either a blue or white graduation gown. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Job Description: Special Education Para Educator:

Patty Wallace, Director of Student Services, attended remotely to be available to answer any questions. P. Wallace shared the rationale for the proposed changes to the job description and noted that they were approved by the union President.

S. Leary MOVED to accept the job description with the proposed updates. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Age of Entrance: Approval of Policies, JEB, JEBA, JEBB and JF:

After a discussion, the following motions were made:

S. Leary MOVED to accept the proposed changes to align the policies. A. Anderson SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Review of Policy BEDH – Public Comment & Participation at Board Meetings:

For review only. No motions were needed.

Discussion Regarding Cell Phones at HMHS (Policy JICJ):

J. Barth shared that the trial period has been working well so far, with very few office referrals resulting from the temporary changes to the policy.

He would like to continue with the trial period until mid-year.

C. Sengaloun noted that so far, the students have been very appreciative of the changes.

The Board agreed to revisit Policy JICJ at the January 2023 meeting.

Policy Updates – First Reading:

1. GCAA – Highly Qualified Teachers
2. IHBB – Programs for Gifted and Talented Students
3. IKL – Academic Integrity and Honesty
4. IJOC – Volunteers

After discussion, the following motions were made:

S. Leary MOVED to accept the policies listed above as First Readings. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Policy Updates – Final Reading:

1. BBBF - Student Board Members
2. BIE – Board Member Indemnification
3. DFGA – Crowd Funding
4. FF – Naming of District Buildings and Facilities and Dedication of Areas
5. GBCD – Background Investigation and Criminal History Records Check
6. GBCD-R – Technical Assistance Advisory

For Policy BBBF, the Board agreed that the Student Board Member’s term would begin July 1st and the Student Board Member would be invited to the August Board Meeting.

Discussed Policy DFGA and the issue of items donated to teachers, such as by an Amazon wish list. H. Kennedy agreed to consult with the NHSBA for more clarification.

S. Leary MOVED to accept the policies, excluding DFGA. A. Anderson SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Other Business:

A. Anderson asked regarding the dog tag project. J. Boggio noted that it is in process with an October 31st target date.

H. Kennedy noted that a former member of the Monadnock School District passed away. H. Kennedy agreed to send condolences to the Monadnock School District.

Financial Report: J. Holmquist reviewed her report with the Board. Noted that the DOE 25 was approved. The Board expressed thanks to J. Holmquist for completing the report.

Director of Teaching and Learning: Karen Thompson reviewed her report with the Board. Shared the book *Learning by Doing* with the Board members. Discussed the new ELO businesses for this year, including a welding business, Purple Sarah Skin and Nail Care, and a business that makes jams. There are two ELO students waiting to be placed. One is interested in small engine repair (four-wheelers), and K. Thompson has a lead for that. The other student is going to welding with J&J Trailers and Truck Equipment.

Technology Report: J. Therieau reviewed his report with the Board. Noted that there were only two calls during testing so that went very well.

Human Resources Report: S. Tatro shared an overview of pending offers.

Principals’ Reports: J. Boggio reviewed his report for HES with the Board. Discussed the second-grade testing and how that is different because students do not have assistance from the computer with understanding the question.

J. Barth reviewed his report for HMHS with the Board. The STEM field trip to Keene State College was very successful. MAPs testing is in process. Homecoming is October 14th and 15th.

Superintendent's Report: W. Woolridge reviewed his report with the Board. There were no questions.

Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee: S. Leary provided a report on the meeting on 9/30/22. S. Tatro was elected Chair.

Health and Wellness: The committee will appoint a new Chair. S. Tatro sent out the 100 Miles Across NH Challenge.

Finance/Budget Committee: H. Kennedy and A. Anderson will be meeting with W. Woolridge and J. Holmquist on a date to be determined after the next Personnel and Facilities meetings on 10/21/22 to include information from those meetings.

Staff Development: The next meeting is 11/2/22.

Legislation/NHSBA: H. Kennedy attended the Delegate Assembly on Saturday, 10/1/2022, in Concord. H. Kennedy shared regarding the four resolutions that were passed. H. Kennedy was elected President of the NHSBA. The group expressed congratulations to H. Kennedy.

HASP Advisory Board: There was nothing to report for this meeting. The next meeting will be in November.

Board of Selectman: S. Leary noted that the Town will be auctioning off items that are not needed, such as some exercise equipment. He will provide more information as it is available. Shared an overview of projects the Board is in process of working on.

Facilities Maintenance/ Emergency: S. Leary provided a report on the meeting on 9/30/2022.

Community Connections: A. Anderson asked the group to forward her information to post.

Behavioral Support Team: Upcoming meeting on 11/8/22.

Joint Loss Committee: No updates. The next quarterly meeting will be scheduled soon.

Citizens' Comments:

M. Webb asked each of those attending online for any comments. There were no comments

Non-Public Session:

S. Leary MOVED to go into a nonpublic session according to RSA 91 A:3 II (a) (b) (c) at 7:03 pm. A. Anderson SECONDED. Roll Call: S. Leary – yes, H. Kennedy – yes, A. Anderson – yes, and J. Woodbury – yes. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to reconvene the public session at 7:41 pm. A. Anderson SECONDED. Roll Call: S. Leary – yes, H. Kennedy – yes, A. Anderson – yes, and J. Woodbury – yes. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

**J. Woodbury MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm. A. Anderson SECONDED.
VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.**

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

_____ approved on _____
Maria A. Webb