

Hinsdale School Board Meeting
SAU Conference Room
April 5, 2023
6:00 PM

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Meeting ID: 961 9301 7942

Board Members Present: Holly Kennedy, April Anderson, Kendra Gardner, Kaylah Hemlow, Connor Sengaloun and Jeana Woodbury

Administration Present: John Barth, Principal; Joe Boggio, Principal; Kim Caron, Interim Superintendent; Jodie Holmquist, Business Administrator; Christopher Ponce, HMHS Assistant Principal; Justin Therieau, Director of Technology; and Karen Thompson, Director of Teaching and Learning

Administration Excused: Sarah Tatro, Human Resources Manager

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

Call to Order:

K. Caron called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

K. Caron reviewed the guidelines for holding the Zoom meeting.

Election of Officers:

The following motions were made:

H. Kennedy MOVED to nominate A. Anderson as Chair. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to nominate H. Kennedy as Vice Chair. A. Anderson SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Review of the Manifests:

The Board signed the manifests. There were no questions.

Minutes:

After discussion the following motions were made:

H. Kennedy MOVED to accept the public and non-public minutes of March 1, 2023. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

H. Kennedy MOVED to accept the public minutes of March 28, 2023, as amended. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Citizens' Comments:

A. Anderson opened citizen comments for 30 minutes. There were citizens attending and none had comments at this time.

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

Interim Superintendent's Report: K. Caron his report with the Board. Highlighted the following topics and noted that the rest would be discussed in the non-public session.

- **Budget:** The Board held a work session on March 28, 2023, to finalize budget reductions within the parameters approved at the district meeting.
- **Climate & Safety:** Noted this is at the forefront of what we do.
- **Professional Development:** Highlighted the activities of PD Day on March 13, 2023.
- **Tuition Exploratory Committee:** To be discussed in the non-public session.
- **Policy:** Working on the Electronic Communications Devices policy for the May Board meeting.
- **Administrative Tasks:** Reviewed budget mitigation items, including aligning the use of grants funds and staffing with district needs.
- **NEASC:** J. Barth will address this in his report.
- **Board Communications:** Highlighted the dashboard for discipline statistics and attendance.
- **Community:** Noted the importance of communication with the community.

Financial Report: J. Holmquist reviewed her report with the Board. Provided the March financial reports. Discussed providing monthly financials to the Hinsdale Budget Committee. The Board agreed to provide the information to the Budget Committee. The next meeting is in August 2023.

Discussed the outstanding lunch balances. Noted that there are 40 students with balances over \$100.00 and the top ten students account for \$4,101.15 of the negative balances. Discussed sending a letter, then a certified letter, and then asking the Principals to call those with the largest outstanding balances.

Teaching & Learning Report: K. Thompson reviewed her report with the Board. Presented an ELO Exhibition request from an HHS student, Mason Sauter, for May 11, 2023. The exhibition would involve the DART helicopter so requires additional planning and coordination. Most of the other exhibitions will be on-site this year.

After discussion the following motions were made:

J. Woodbury MOVED to approve the ELO Exhibition request for Mason Sauter. K. Hemlow SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Principals' Reports:

J. Barth reviewed his report for HMHS with the Board. Noted that NEASC approved the one-year postponement. The cycle will begin in the fall of 2024. The Fall sports team ranked first out of 27 schools in sportsmanship in Division 4. Noted that a senior, Mason Sauter, was accepted into Dartmouth College. C. Sengaloun received the Division 4 NHADA Scholarship. April 7th, Chef Kevin Des Chenes, Hinsdale graduate, will cook with the Life Skills class and then speak at an assembly. WMUR plans to cover this day. J. Barth presented an option for a staff survey to administration from the U.S. Department of Education.

J. Boggio reviewed his report for HES with the Board. The Board thanked J. Boggio for providing the reading and math achievement data. Noted that due to an HEF grant, HES had an Astronomy Night on March 24, 2023. H. Kennedy asked regarding the ELA curriculum update. K. Thompson noted that they are looking at pilot programs for implementation in the fall.

Technology Report: J. Therieau reviewed his report with the Board. Discussed the dashboard for discipline logs and attendance. Noted that he will use the October 1st attendance number that is reported to the state each year. K. Caron noted that the dashboard is intended to be a tool for the Board, and so is an internal dashboard.

Human Resources Report: S. Tatro was excused from tonight's meeting. K. Caron offered to answer any questions. There were no questions at this time.

New Board Business:

Board Committee Assignments:

1. **Personnel Committee:** A. Anderson, H. Kennedy
2. **Health and Wellness:** J. Woodbury, K. Hemlow
3. **Finance/Budget Committee:** A. Anderson, K. Gardner
4. **Staff Development:** K. Hemlow, K. Gardner
5. **Legislation/NHSBA:** H. Kennedy
6. **HASP Advisory Board:** K. Gardner, A. Anderson
7. **Board of Selectman:** K. Hemlow (anyone can be an alternate if needed)
8. **Facilities Maintenance/ Emergency:** A. Anderson, H. Kennedy
9. **Community Connections:** A. Anderson, H. Kennedy
10. **Behavioral Support Team:** J. Woodbury, K. Hemlow
11. **Joint Loss Committee:** K. Gardner
12. **Policy Committee:** H. Kennedy
13. **Superintendent Search Committee:** H. Kennedy, A. Anderson

14. **Tuition Exploratory Committee:** J. Woodbury, K. Gardner

Vacancies – Moderator & School District Clerk:

The vacancies will be posted in The Keene Sentinel and on Community Connections. The Board noted that the stipends are: Moderator - \$200, Clerk - \$300, and Board - \$1,200.

Annual Audit Report:

After discussion the following motions were made:

H. Kennedy MOVED to accept the Annual Audit Report. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

ESSER II and III Revisions:

K. Caron reviewed the handouts regarding the proposed ESSER II and ESSER III Revisions.

After discussion the following motions were made:

H. Kennedy MOVED to approve the ESSER II Revisions. J. Woodbury SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to approve the ESSER III Revisions. H. Kennedy SECONDED. 5-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Student Board Member Items:

C. Sengaloun presented a request from the Diversity Club regarding senior banners. Discussed whether this requires approval by the School Board. K. Caron advised that we obtain legal advisement. J. Barth noted that we need the Town's assistance with banners, and there may be budget constraints with purchasing banners this year.

Other Business:

A. Anderson asked regarding a fundraiser by Trinity Stroud, for her ELO project with Elite Vinyl. C. Ponce agreed to follow up with the student to confirm where donations are to be made. J. Holmquist noted that one donor so far has preferred to forward the donation to the school district directly.

J. Barth presented a request from the Travel Club to go to Puerto Rico in April 2025. If the trip is approved before May 1, 2023, there is a price reduction.

J. Woodbury MOVED to approve the Travel Club request. K. Hemlow SECONDED. 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee: No update.

Health and Wellness: J. Boggio was nominated as Chair and Mary Lynn Crosson, HES School Nurse, was nominated as Co-Chair. Will have a sub-committee to plan a Health Fair.

Finance/Budget Committee: No additional information.

Staff Development: Meeting June 7th at 3:45 PM.

Legislation/NHSBA: H. Kennedy shared regarding the national conference. Noted that there is a New Board Member Orientation 4/10th and 5/2nd.

HASP Advisory Board: Meeting May 3rd, 5:15 PM.

Board of Selectman: No update.

Facilities Maintenance/ Emergency: No update.

Community Connections: No additional information.

Behavioral Support Team: Meeting will be scheduled the first week of May (not on Wednesday) during the school day at 9:30 AM.

Joint Loss Committee: A. Anderson noted that they are working on the Student Violence Prevention Plan. Next meeting is 5/22nd at 3:30 PM.

Policy Committee: Next meeting is April 10th. H. Kennedy noted that they are working on the policy regarding cell phones.

Citizens' Comments:

A. Anderson asked those attending in person for any comments. There were no comments.

A. Anderson asked the citizens attending online for any comments. T. Diorio commented regarding the ELO student fundraiser. Noted that last year, the donations were made directly to the school.

Non-Public Session:

J. Woodbury MOVED to go into a nonpublic session according to RSA 91 A:3 II (a) (b) (c) at 7:46 pm. K. Hemlow SECONDED. Roll Call: H. Kennedy – yes, A. Anderson – yes, K. Gardner – yes, K. Hemlow – yes, and J. Woodbury - yes. VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

J. Woodbury MOVED to reconvene the public session at 9:00 pm. K. Hemlow SECONDED. Roll Call: H. Kennedy – yes, A. Anderson – yes, K. Gardner – yes, K. Hemlow – yes, and J. Woodbury - yes. VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

**J. Woodbury MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. K. Hemlow SECONDED.
VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.**

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

_____ approved on _____
Maria A. Webb