

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting
SAU Conference Room
September 11, 2024
6:00 PM**

Zoom Link:

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Board Members Present: April Anderson, Wayne Dingman, Jr., Kaylah Hemlow, Marc Sprague, and Michael Phillips

Board Member Excused: Kendra Gardner

Administration Present: Nathan Boudreau, Facilities Director; Dr. Molly Bremner, HES Principal; Jane Fortson, Business Administrator; Christopher Ponce, HMHS Assistant Principal; Anna Roth, HMHS Principal; Dr. David Ryan, Superintendent; Justin Therieau, Director of Technology; and Karen Thompson, Director of Academics and Career Readiness

Minutes Recorded by: Maria Webb, Executive Assistant

Call to Order:

A. Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

A. Anderson reviewed the guidelines for holding the Zoom meeting.

Review of the Manifests:

The Board signed the manifests. There were no questions.

Minutes:

1. Public and non-public minutes of August 14, 2024.
2. Public minutes of August 27, 2024.

K. Hemlow MOVED to approve the group of minutes as written above. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Citizen's Comments:

A. Anderson opened Citizen's Comments for 30 minutes.

There were no comments from citizens attending in person, and there were no citizens attending via Zoom at this time.

Superintendent's Report:

D. Ryan reviewed his report with the Board. Highlighted the following:

- School Opening
- Bravely and the Next Generation Learning Challenge
- Southwest Regional School Security Task Force
- NH SAS Scores
- Winchester High School Selection Committee
- Strategic Planning Update

Student Board Member Items:

M. Phillips highlighted some topics that students have been discussing:

- Four-day school weeks.
- Changing the lunch schedule due to sizes.
- School pick-up process.
- Effect of social media on students.
- Investigation needed when students are having difficulty in school.

Business Administrator's Report:

J. Fortson reviewed her report with the Board. Discussed:

- TD Bank positive pay program.
- Financial statements submitted to the NH Department of Education and Department of Revenue for review.
- IRS payment refunds for 2019 and 2021.

J. Fortson introduced Nathan Boudreau, New Facilities Director.

Personalized Learning Report:

K. Thompson reviewed her report with the Board. Discussed:

- Opening Day.
- Construction Trades Day in September
- Bringing Back the Trades Day at NHTI in November

Principals' Reports:

A. Roth reviewed her HMHS report with the Board. Highlighted the following:

- Positive start to the new year at HMHS.
- NEASC re-accreditation process.

M. Bremner reviewed her HES report with the Board. Highlighted the following:

- A great turn-out for the Open House.

- The positive start to the new year at HES.
- Changes to the school dismissal process.
- NHDI funded through the Holt Fund: 9/16th - 27th
- Staffing and open positions.

M. Bremner noted that there are currently two Grade Five classes while we are working to recruit an additional teacher. The Special Education Case Managers have divided the caseload to cover the open Case Manager position.

Technology Report:

J. Therieau reviewed his report with the Board. Discussed:

- Functional technology
- May offer a night session for parents regarding computer education.

School Board Retreat & Goal Setting:

Meeting on Monday, 9/16th at 5:00 PM.

Student Board Member Process:

Discussed holding elections at the end of the school year for the new term to start July 1st. A. Roth shared that there are students interested and there will be a new student member for the October Board meeting.

MOU Town and HSD:

After discussion, the following motions were made:

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to accept the MOU as written. K. Hemlow SECONDED. 4-0-0-MOTION PASSED.

Staff Handbook:

Informational only. The Principals shared regarding the update process. No Board action needed.

Policies - Final Readings:

- AC – Non-Discrimination
- ACE- Procedural Safeguards: Non-discrimination on the Basis of Disability
- ADB/GBEC – Drug-Free Workplace and Drug-Free Schools
- ADC – Tobacco Products Ban Use and Possession in and on School Facilities and Grounds
- DK – Payments, Checks and Manifests
- EBB – School Safety
- EBBD – Indoor Air Quality & Water Quality
- EEAEA – Mandatory Drug and Alcohol Testing – School Bus Drivers and Contracted Carriers

- i. EFA – Availability and Distribution of Healthy Foods
- j. EHAB – Data Governance and Security
- k. GBCE – Background Investigation and Criminal History Records Check
- l. GBCE/ADB – Drug-Free Workplace and Drug-Free Schools
- m. GBCE/ADB/JICD – Prohibitions Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes, and E-Liquids in and on School Facilities and Grounds
- n. GCO – Teacher Performance and Evaluations
- o. JICA – Student Dress Code
- p. JLCF – Wellness Policy

M. Sprague MOVED to accept the policies listed above as Final Readings as a group. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Other Business:

There was no other business at this time.

Committee Reports:

1. **Behavioral Support Team** – no update.
2. **Budget Committee** – no update.
3. **Community Connections** – Please send information to post.
4. **Facilities Maintenance/Emergency** – Meeting quarterly; next on 9/27th.
5. **HASP Advisory Board** – Meeting postponed to October.
6. **Legislation/NHSBA** – A. Anderson requested a Board member to attend and represent the Board at the Delegate Assembly on 10/19th. Reviewed legislation in process.
7. **Personnel Committee** – Meeting on 9/24th. HFT negotiations begin 9/20th.
8. **Policy Committee** – See Final Readings above. Meeting on 9/26th.
9. **Portrait of a Learner** – no update.
10. **Selectboard** – W. Dingman, Jr. Shared a budget item discussed at the recent meeting.
11. **Staff Development** – Meeting on 10/1st to develop the Professional Development Master Plan.
12. **Tuition Exploratory Committee** – Discussed in the Superintendent's report above.
13. **Wellness** – Meeting October 9th.

Citizens' Comments:

There were no citizens attending in person. Alex Duso, attending online, asked regarding plans for managing bullying situations. K. Thompson shared regarding upcoming staff training on the 11/5th PD Day.

N. Boudreau, M. Phillips, A. Roth, J. Therieau, and K. Thompson were excused at 7:21 pm.

Non-public:

K. Hemlow MOVED to go into a nonpublic session according to RSA 91 A:3 II (c)(i) at 7:22 pm. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. Roll Call: A. Anderson – yes, W. Dingman, Jr. – yes, K. Hemlow – yes, and M. Sprague - yes. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to reconvene the public session at 7:44 pm. K. Hemlow SECONDED. Roll Call: A. Anderson – yes, W. Dingman, Jr. – yes, K. Hemlow – yes, and M. Sprague - yes. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

2024 NHSBA Resolutions:

Reviewed the list of Proposed Resolutions. After discussion, the following motions were made:

K. Hemlow MOVED to vote in favor of the NHSBA’s proposed resolutions for the October 19, 2024 Delegate Assembly. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

K. Hemlow MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

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

Maria A. Webb

approved on _____