

**TOWN OF HINSDALE
School Board
MINUTES OF NONPUBLIC SESSION**

DATE: 4-9-2025

PRESENT:

April Anderson	Y
Wayne Dingman, Jr.	Y
Kendra Gardner	Y
Kaylah Hemlow	Y
Marc Sprague	Y

MOTION TO ENTER NONPUBLIC SESSION MADE BY: K. Hemlow

MOTION SECONDED BY: W. Dingman, Jr.

SPECIFIC EXEMPTION RELIED UPON AS A FOUNDATION FOR THE NONPUBLIC SESSION:

RSA 91-A:3 II

(a): The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, **unless** the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.

THE BOARD ENTERED INTO A NONPUBLIC SESSION AT 7:25 PM in the HMHS Principal's Conference Room.

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT DURING THE NONPUBLIC SESSION:

J. Fortson, Business Administrator; A. Roth, HMHS Principal; and Dr. Ryan, Superintendent

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT MATTER DISCUSSED AND FINAL DECISIONS:

Middle School Redesign:

A. Roth presented a proposed redesign for the Middle School which has evolved through the work done through the Next Generation Learning Challenges (NGLC) grant. The proposed model involves two groups per grade level and two teams:

- 6th Grade Team

- 7th & 8th Grade Team

Dr. Ryan stated that this model is skill-based as opposed to subject-based and is academically and growth-wise the right move.

The redesign will possibly involve a reduction-in-force of two teachers.

There will be approximately 18 students in each group. K. Hemlow expressed concern regarding teachers managing the increase in class sizes. W. Dingman, Jr. noted it will be important to provide support and professional development to the teachers. K. Hemlow reiterated that the Board wants to be sure the teachers are feeling supported around this change. K. Gardner stated that A. Roth is the leader who can manage this change and provide the needed support.

A. Anderson noted that the Board would like to see the transition from 5th to 6th grade improved.

W. Dingman, Jr. and M. Sprague expressed that the Winchester Hinsdale Tuition Agreement is not a definite. Taxpayers are expecting us to decrease costs, and this will help with that.

After discussion, the following motions were made:

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to approve the Middle School redesign. K. Hemlow SECONDED. VOTE: 5-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

MOTION TO RECONVENE THE PUBLIC SESSION MADE BY: W. Dingman, Jr.

SECONDED BY: K. Hemlow

ROLL CALL VOTE:

April Anderson	Y
Wayne Dingman, Jr.	Y
Kendra Gardner	Y
Kaylah Hemlow	Y
Marc Sprague	Y

THE BOARD RECONVENED TO THE PUBLIC SESSION AT 7:50 pm.

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

Maria A. Webb