

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019

Stephanie Peters, Chair (present)
David Twombly, Vice Chair (present)
Lucas Patenaude, Secretary (absent)
Jennifer Fleming, Member (present)
Eric Hipp, Member (present)

Michael Devine, Superintendent of Schools
Judith Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent
Dave DeGennaro, School Business Administrator
Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Michael Devine, Superintendent at 6:01 p.m. at Hull High School Second Floor Exhibition Room, 180 Main Street with the salute to the Flag.

Mr. Devine stated that since this is the first meeting held after the town elections, the Committee should nominate a chair. Ms. Peters stated that Lucas Patenaude is unable to attend the meeting and therefore she does not think the Committee should reorganize without all members present. The other Committee members were in agreement. Ms. Peters will remain the Chair until the next meeting, when all members are present.

Motion: Stephanie Peters **Second:** David Twombly
Move to suspend School Committee policy BDA – School Committee Organizational Meeting, per policy BGF – Suspension of Policies.
Vote: 4-0-0

6.1 Reorganization

Suspended

Mr. Devine stated that every year each School Committee in the Commonwealth must vote as to whether or not the district will participate in School Choice. He recommended that the Committee vote no on this issue at this time. However district staff will further investigate the pros and cons of becoming a School Choice district and report back with a recommendation in January or February of next year. Mr. Twombly asked that the topic of School Choice be added to the Best Use of Educational Facilities Study RFP.

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Jennifer Fleming
Move to not participate in school choice for the 2019-2020 school year.
Vote: 4-0-0

7.0 School Committee Business Items

7.1 Hull Community Walking Track and Turf Field

Ms. Peters thanked the community for coming out to vote and is excited that construction of the new turf field and community walking track will begin on Monday, June 3rd and is expected to be completed by the first day of school. She said there was a kick off meeting last week and a regularly weekly meeting is set for Tuesdays at 10:00 am in the high school conference room.

13.0 Executive Session

14.0 Adjournment

Motion: David Twombly

Motion to go into Executive Session at 6:21 p.m. to discuss negotiation strategy with respect to collective bargaining (HTA Teachers). An open meeting may have a detrimental effect. The Committee is not expected to reconvene in Open Session.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Eric Hipp, David Twombly, Stephanie Peters, and Jennifer Fleming.

These Minutes of a meeting of the
Hull School Committee were
approved and adopted by the
Committee on June 3, 2019.

Lucas Patenaude, Secretary
Hull School Committee