

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Judy Kuehn, Interim Superintendent
David DeGennaro, Business Administrator
Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by David Twombly, Chair at 7:00 p.m. at Hull High School Second Floor Exhibition Room, 180 Main Street with the salute to the Flag.

There was a moment of silence for former teacher and coach Joe Cirigliano

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Stephanie Peters **Second:** Lucas Patenaude
Move to approve the March 9, 2020 as presented.
Vote: 5-0-0

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

4.0 Student Representative

Senior, Turner Mitchell, reported on the following:

- Hull Boosters Faculty Basketball Game on Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 pm
- Hull High School Cheer Leaders came in third to qualify for States and scored an 80.0, the highest score in the school's history
- Maeve Donohue played the trumpet in the Massachusetts All State Music Festival Orchestra that performed at Symphony Hall
- Join us for a spring sports fundraiser on March 16th at Chipotle

5.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: Stephanie Peters **Second:** Lucas Patenaude
Move to approve the following minutes with one change to the February 24, 2020 regular meeting minutes on page 4, change from "She also said the last day of school is scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 2020 to *She also said that Graduation Day is scheduled for June 5, 2020 and the last day of school is scheduled for June 18, 2020.*

- February 24, 2020 Regular Meeting
- February 24, 2020 Executive Session

Vote: 5-0-0

6.0 Superintendent's Business Items

6.1 MCAS Perfect Scores

Ms. Kuehn explained that five students earned a perfect scaled score, which is a raw score between 96-98%. Ms. Nicole Nosek, Hull High School Principal, presented certificates to the following students who earned a perfect scaled score on the MCAS test:

Elsie Harper	Grade 6 English Language Arts
Veronica Fleming	Grade 7 English Language Arts
Katie Clifford	Grade 10 English Language Arts
Fionn Krahforst	Grade 10 English Language Arts
Benjamin Olivieri	Grade 10 English Language Arts

6.2 Project 351 – Connor Hipp

Connor Hipp, Memorial Middle School Grade 8 student and student ambassador for our district, discussed Project 351, in which 351 students from across the Commonwealth met with the Governor. The student ambassadors then went out in the field to volunteer their service to a needy program. Connor and his group went to the Pine Street Inn then to the JFK Library. Connor is planning and will sponsor his next service project, which will be a clothing drive and will be setting up donation boxes in all three schools. Connor said he would also pickup donations.

6.3 FY21 Budget Discussion

- Technology

Ms. Judith Saide, IT Director, listed each line item in the system technology budget and explained the uses and reasons for the expenditures. She stated that the technology budget is mindfully and thoughtfully put together. She told the Committee that the Capital budget will be \$60,000 for FY21.

Committee members thanked Ms. Saide.

- Theatre Arts

Mr. James Sullivan, Theatre Arts Director, presented the theatre arts program, which included the following:

- 2019-2020 Performances
- 2019-2020 Achievements
- Financial Structure
- Drama Donations Revolving Account
- 2019-2020 Cash Flow
- Drama Major Fundraisers
- Drama User Fees
- Drama User Fees Revolving Account
- Elf the Musical – Actual
- Frozen Jr. – Actual
- The Laramie Project – Budget
- Other Expenses 2020
- Projects: Looking Forward

Committee members thanked Mr. Sullivan for the presentation and for keeping the theatre arts

program a success.

- Special Education

Ms. Judy Kuehn, Interim Superintendent, presented the special education budget and grant projections, which included the following:

- In district special education programs
- Historical grant receipts
- Grant receipts expense details
- Competitive grants
- FY21 special education budget breakdown

Ms. Kuehn stated that she is trying to keep students in district and bring back some that are already out of district with growing special education programs. She also responded to questions about always looking and applying for new grants.

6.4 Student Opportunity Act (Input from stakeholders)

None

6.5 MARS Consulting Group Update

Ms. Kuehn and Mr. DeGennaro updated Committee members on the process of the MARS Group meetings with stake holders and that their consultation is on track.

7.0 School Committee Business Items

7.1 Sponsorship of Community Walking Track Advertising Revenue

This item was tabled.

7.2 School Building Committee Update

Mr. DeGennaro and Mr. Hipp updated the Committee on the information from the last School Building Committee meeting of February 25th. They also said there was another meeting tomorrow night. They informed the Committee that at the meeting, Domenico Sestito made a motion to authorize using up to \$30,000 to come from the available \$46,000 to engage Thompson and Lichtner for updating the envelope report, subject to a vote from the School Committee at their next meeting. Eric Hipp seconded the motion. They also discussed going to Town Meeting with two warrants, one for the remainder of the \$400 Feasibility Study and the other for the town to do the project on our own without going through the MSBA process.

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Eric Hipp

Moved to authorize up to \$30,000 to come from the building use revolving fund that has already been approved at the 2018 Town Meeting to engage Thompson and Lichtner for updating the envelope report.

Vote: 5-0-0

7.3 MASC Day on the Hill

Mr. Twombly informed the Committee that he was planning to go to the MASC Day on the Hill asked if any other Committee members were interested in attending. Mr. Patenaude said that he will go with Mr. Twombly. Mr. Hipp said that he might go. Mr. Twombly told Committee members to inform him and Ms. Ollerhead if they would like to go. Ms. Ollerhead will inform State Rep. Joan Meschino and Senator Patrick O'Connor.

8.0 School Committee Policy Issue

Ms. Kuehn said that a discussion of advertising policies will be on the next meeting and will invite the Ryan's to the April 27th meeting.

9.0 Old Business Items

9.1 Sub-committees

None

9.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Move to accept the following donations.

- \$500 from Hull Jennifer Butler-Rickard and Eric Rickard for HHS Band Program
- \$2,000 from Hull Youth Basketball for Freshman Basketball Program
- \$500 from Audrey Connor Foundation to the Jacobs School Music Department
- \$500 from Hull Boosters Club for HHS Band Program – (Great East Grant)

Vote: 5-0-0

10.0 New Business

Ms. Kuehn informed the Committee about the cleaning of the buildings during the Coronavirus (Covid-19). She also discussed the Commissioner saying that the school year will only have to go to day 185 days if school needed to be cancelled due to the coronavirus. Ms. Peters asked that the Coronavirus be an agenda item for the rest of the school year.

Mr. Hipp congratulated the Hull Grade eight girls' basketball for winning their championship. They came in first in their league and won a trophy that they want to put in the Memorial School trophy Case. He said the boys play next week.

11.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

None

12.0 Adjournment

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Motion to go adjourn at 9:11 pm.

Vote: 5-0-0

Attachments

1. Technology document
2. Theatre Arts presentation
3. Special education presentation

These Minutes of a meeting of the Hull School Committee were approved and adopted by the Committee on April 13, 2020

Jennifer Fleming, Secretary
Hull School Committee