

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

David Twombly, Chair (present)
Jennifer Fleming, Vice Chair (present)
Ernest Minelli, Secretary (present)
Kyle Conley, Member (present)
Stephanie Peters, Member (present)

HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS REPRESENTATIVES

Judith Kuehn, Superintendent of Schools
Diane Saniuk, School Business Administrator
Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by David Twombly, Chair, at 6:35 p.m. in the Hull High School Exhibition Room.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Stephanie Peters
Move to approve the April 11, 2022 agenda.
Vote: 5-0-0

Second: Kyle Conley

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

4.0 Student Representative Report

None

5.0 Hull Teachers Association Representative Report

None

6.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: Stephanie Peters
Move to approve the following minutes as presented:

Second: Jennifer Fleming

- Tuesday, February 28, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Thursday, March 24, 2022 Budget Subcommittee Meeting
- Monday, March 28, 2022 Regular Meeting

Vote: 5-0-0

7.0 Superintendent's Business Items

The time was too early to start the Public Hearing so the Committee moved on to other agenda items.

7.2 John and Abigail Adams Scholarships

Ms. Kuehn announced the names of the three students awarded the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded based on individual performance on grade 10 MCAS English Language Arts and Mathematics tests. This award makes them eligible for free tuition at the University of Massachusetts (any campus) or any of the Massachusetts state colleges, community colleges, or universities. The following students received the scholarship: Timothy O'Hayre, Lily Putnam Resnick and Sarah Rickard.

7.5 SSEC Board Member

Ms. Kuehn read the following statement: "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Acts of 2012, Chapter 43, Section 1(C) states, "The education collaborative shall be managed by a board of directors which shall be comprised of one (1) person appointed annually by each member school committee or member charter school board. All appointed persons shall be either a school committee member, the superintendent of schools or a member of the charter school board.'"

Ms. Kuehn stated that the School Committee should appoint a School Committee member or the Superintendent of Schools to serve on the Board of Directors of the SSEC for FY23.

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Ernest Minelli

Move to appoint Ms. Kuehn as the SSEC Board Member representing Hull Public Schools.

Vote: 5-0-0

7.1 Public Hearing – School Department FY23 Budget

Mr. Twombly, School Committee Chair, opened the Public Hearing of the FY23 budget at 6:41 pm. There were no members of the community in attendance at that time. The Chair waited for a few minutes then closed the hearing at 6:43 pm since there was no one in the audience.

7.3 Out-of-State Field Trip – Memorial School – Canobie Lake Park

Ms. Kuehn said that Memorial School Principal, Anthony Hrivnak, could not make it to the meeting so she is requesting permission on his behalf, to take grade eight students to Canobie Lake Park in Salem, NH on Wednesday, June 15, 2022. This is the end of year trip for Grade 8 and it supports the "motion" standards of the Grade 8 science curriculum. She said this has become an annual event and she supports this request.

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Kyle Conley

Move to approve the out-of-state field trip for grade eight students and staff to go to Canobie Lake Park on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

Vote: 5-0-0

7.4 Overnight Field Trip – Memorial School – Natures Classroom

Ms. Kuehn said that Memorial School Principal, Anthony Hrivnak, could not make it to the meeting so she is requesting permission on his behalf, for grade six students to attend an overnight field trip to Natures Classroom in Charlton, MA leaving from Memorial School on Monday, June 13 and returning on Wednesday, June 15, 2022. She stated that the ESSER funds will supplement this field trip..

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Kyle Conley

Move to approve the overnight field trip for grade six students and staff to go to Natures Classroom on Monday, June 13 and returning on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

Vote: 5-0-0

7.6 Update on Best Educational Use of School Facilities – Ad Hoc Committee

Ms. Kuehn updated the Committee on what has been discussed at the last Ad Hoc Committee meeting, including: posting the preliminary document, the structure of the report, note trends in preliminary date, FAQ's, misconceptions people had. She said the committee keeps adding to the FAQ's. The committee spent time talking about a feasibility letter. Ms. Kuehn said that Mr. David DeGennaro has been doing research and it is mandated that if you are contemplating changes to a school you need to contact MSBA if you will close a school within 6 months. She said she will need to write a letter on behalf of the School Committee on what we did so far. She said it is better to send a letter sooner because it could take MSBA 6 months to get back to us. Ms. Peters said she is a little uncomfortable that it hasn't been brought to School Committee yet. Ms. Fleming said the last meeting was a good meeting but there was a push back scenario. She continued, stating the town side is looking at when this is going to happen. Committee members discussed the process and taking time to make any decisions.

8.0 School Committee Business Items

8.1 Walking Track Signage

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan, parents of Emma Ryan, who the walking track is named after, showed pictures of where they would like the signage to be located. Mr. Twombly said he liked the idea and the Ryan's could come back with exactly what they want so the Committee can approve the signage.

8.2 School Committee Building Walks and Classroom Visits

Mr. Minelli said he when on a visit to Ms. Lidington's computer course. He said they had a pre-conference and a post-conference and a classroom visit. He talked about what the class was working on during the classroom visit.

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

None

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 The Committee commented on the excellent job at the Advisory Board meeting

11.0 New Business

Mr. Minelli brought to the community's attention that, once again, there will be senior banners on the poles on Nantasket Avenue. The banners are for any student from Hull that may be attending other schools so they should call Rachelle Sordillo to get their students on the list for a banner.

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Mr. Twombly asked Ms. Saniuk what is going on with the goal posts at the turf field. Ms. Saniuk said it is in the works.

13.0 Adjournment

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Jennifer Fleming

Move to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm.

Vote: 5-0-0

Attachments:

1. FY23 School Budget
2. Out-of-State Field Trip
3. Overnight Field Trip

These Minutes of a meeting of the Hull School Committee were approved and adopted by the Committee on April 25, 2022.

Ernest Minelli, Secretary
Hull School Committee