

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

David Twombly, Chair (present)
Jennifer Fleming, Vice Chair (present)
Ernest Minelli, Secretary (present)
Kyle Conley, Member (present – arrived at 6:54 pm)
Stephanie Peters, Member (present – arrived at 6:54 pm)

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 6:43 p.m. in the Hull High School Exhibition Room.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Jennifer Fleming **Second:** Ernest Minelli
Move to approve the April 25, 2022 agenda.
Vote: 3-0-0

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: Ernest Minelli **Second:** Jennifer Fleming
Move to approve the following minutes as presented:
• Monday, April 11, 2022 Regular Meeting
Vote: 3-0-0

7.0 Superintendent's Business Items

7.1 Update on High School Principal Search

Ms. Kuehn updated the Committee on the high school principal search, stating the job was posted on

April 19, there is a survey to staff, there will be a focus group for students and there should be someone in place in May to transition quickly while the current principal and assistant principal are still here to stabilize the building. She said they would then run a search for assistant and possibly use an interim candidate. She said it is an exciting opportunity, and although we will miss Ms. Nosek and Mr. Mastrogiamo, we see it as positive and we will move forward. Mr. Twombly asked if the assistant principal position could be advertised at the same time to attract someone to come now. Ms. Kuehn said it will be posted later this week. Mr. Twombly also commented that Ms. Nosek has done a fantastic job and Mr. Mastrogiamo has very good presentation skills. He said they have been super to work with and they will be missed. Ms. Kuehn said we have a strong staff here and will move forward and take care of our students.

7.2 School Choice

Ms. Kuehn said that she recommends that we do not have school choice. She said once you open up a grade or grades you can't exclude anyone for school choice and you also can't look at the records of the students, which could run the risk of costing the district more money. Committee members agreed that this is not a good time for school choice.

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Jennifer Fleming

Move to not approve school choice for the 2022-2023 school year.

Vote: 5-0-0

8.0 School Committee Policy Issues

None

9.0 Old Business Items

9.1 The Best Educational Use of School Buildings – Ad Hoc Committee meets tomorrow night.

10.0 New Business

Ms. Kuehn said that traditionally the Committee votes to have the last day of school be a half day. We have proactively done that for next year but we need to vote on it for the current year so it will be on the agenda for May 23 for a vote but want to let the principals know in advance to tell their families.

Mr. Minelli let Committee members and community members know that there was an article from USA Lacrosse on Facebook describing the youth lacrosse in Hull.

11.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Mr. Twombly said this is Jennifer Fleming's last meeting as a School Committee member.

Committee members and the Superintendent commented on the great things that Ms. Fleming has accomplished on the Committee.

12.0 Executive Session

Motion: David Twombly

Second: Stephanie Peters

Motion to go into Executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares – Michael Devine v. Town of Hull, et. al, 1:21-cv-11230-DPW. In addition, the Committee is expected to discuss negotiation strategy with respect to collective bargaining (HTA paraprofessionals), custodians and non-union personnel. An open meeting may have a detrimental effect. The Committee is not

expected to reconvene in Open Session.

Roll call vote: Ayes Kyle Conley, Stephanie Peters, David Twombly, Jennifer Fleming and Ernest Minelli

13.0 Adjournment

These Minutes of a meeting of the Hull School Committee were approved and adopted by the Committee on June 6, 2022.

Ernest Minelli, Secretary
Hull School Committee