

SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

David Twombly, Chair (present),  
Lucas Patenaude, Vice Chair (present)  
Jennifer Fleming, Secretary (arrived at 7:15 pm)  
Eric Hipp, Member (present)  
Stephanie Peters, Member (present)

OTHERS PRESENT

Michael F. Devine, Superintendent of Schools  
Judy Kuehn, Assistant 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 7:01 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 Mary Pascarelli, former cafeteria worker and William “Bill” Parker, 32 year teacher and former HTA President.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters **Second:** Lucas Patenaude  
Move to approve the October 21, 2019 as presented.  
**Vote:** 4-0-0

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

4.0 Student Representative

Seniors, Turner Mitchell and Chad Noto informed the Committee of the following:

- PSAT’s were administered to tenth and eleventh graders on October 16<sup>th</sup>, which is good prep for SAT’s
- Student Government is working on the student rally and Powder Puff
- First term ends next Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

Mr. Devine added that the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Open House will be held next Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> in the auditorium

5.0 Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters **Second:** Lucas Patenaude  
Move to approve the following minutes as presented:

- September 16, 2019 Executive Session
- October 7, 2019 Executive Session
- October 7, 2019 Regular Meeting

**Vote:** 4-0-0

## 6.0 Superintendent's Business Items

### 6.1 Unsung Heroine Award

State Representative, Joan Meschino and Hull Board of Selectman, Jen Constable presented Memorial School Nurse, Sharon Striglio, with the Unsung Heroine Award. Ms. Meschino explained that she asked Ms. Constable for a recommendation and she chose Ms. Striglio. The award was originally going to be presented at an event in June but Ms. Striglio could not attend that event. Ms. Meschino read the terms of the award stating that each year the Commission partners with state legislators to identify women who make outstanding contributions to their organizations and communities. Each legislator is encouraged to submit one woman from their constituency as a means of recognizing their invaluable community contributions. We accept only nominations from state legislators. The Unsung Heroines are women who don't always make the news, but truly make the difference. They are the women who use their time, talent, and enthusiasm to enrich the lives of others and make a difference in their neighborhoods, cities, and towns. They are mentors, volunteers, and innovators who do what needs to be done, without expectations of recognition or gratitude. These women are the glue that keeps a community together and every community has them.

Ms. Fleming arrived at 7:15 pm.

### 6.2 M.A.S.S. Academic Excellence Award

Each year the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents provides an award to a senior from every school district in the Commonwealth. The criteria for the selection of this award include cumulative average, class rank, and leadership. This year Mr. Devine presented the award to Haven Veraguas. Mr. Devine read a long list of accomplishments during his high school years.

### 6.3 National School Development Council Awards

Mr. Devine presented the *National School Development Council (NSDC) Academic Growth and Student Leadership in Learning (NSDC) Awards* to Samantha Collier and Chad Noto after reading a list of their accomplishments during high school.

### 6.4 Hull Community Walking Track and Turf Field – Walking Track Hours

Mr. Devine informed the Committee that staff is looking into a self-locking gate with electronic locks. He said he does not have a quote yet but IT director, Judi Saide, is working on it. He said this will involve the purchase of hardware and wiring. The Committee discussed the issue of a gate, cameras and signage, along with the pros and cons of leaving the track and field open to the public. Mr. Devine added that workers are coming back this week to try and get us close to completion and that we are holding back funds until the work is finished. Mr. Devine said he and Mr. DeGennaro spoke to John Perry at Gale Associates earlier today and John recommended not opening the facility to the public when there are no staff members on the premises until we have all the warranties and the field is officially turned over to us. When asked why the public can't use the track while staff is on duty, Mr. Devine said the Committee has not come to consensus on that issue. He said he thinks there are three

options, 1. No hours – open 24/7. 2. Set hours and track is locked. 3. Put up a sign on the gate that says set hours and if you are on the track or field it is vandalism and the police would come and kick you off. Mr. Twombly asked if anyone would like to make a motion. Ms. Nosek, Hull High School Principal, was asked for her opinion about allowing the public to walk the track during school hours. Ms. Nosek said she would be comfortable with that for now if there is not a security concern as long as our staff is on duty during the time students were out there. Committee members discussed the warrantee issue and Ms. Peters said that she wanted Gale's response in writing tomorrow to give to people. Mr. Devine stated that he would contact Gale and get it in writing. He also mentioned that the punch list is 8 pages long. Mr. Twombly asked Mr. Devine that he get a letter from Gale, then get price on the gate, and have options for hours for the next meeting. Mr. Patenaude asked that Mr. Devine also get a price of how much leaving the lights on would cost.

#### 6.5 Discussion of Graduation Date and Time

Mr. Devine told the Committee that the MIAA has not made a plan for what time and where the June 6<sup>th</sup> track meet will take place. He said the Committee has the option of keeping graduation time 1:00 pm or take a vote to change the time to 10:00 am.

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters

**Second:** Eric Hipp

Move the time of graduation from 1:00 pm to 10:00 am.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

Mr. Patenaude recommended keeping the 10:00 am graduation time moving forward. He also said he still thinks we should send a letter to the MIAA regarding their track meet being on the same day as a lot of graduations.

#### 6.6 Best Educational Use of School Facilities Study RFP Update

Mr. DeGennaro informed the Committee that nine RFP's were sent out and only three came back. He said the Best Educational Use of School Facilities Subcommittee will meet on Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm to discuss each of the RFP's and recommend one to the full Committee at the next meeting. Mr. DeGennaro will include all three RFP's in the packet for the next meeting.

#### 6.7 Superintendent Goals and Evaluation – New Process/Materials

Mr. Devine the Committee that the evaluation process for Superintendents is changing. He referred them to the summary included in their packet and the DESE website link for more detailed information. Mr. Devine notified the Committee of his proposed goals and key indicators for the 2019-2020 school year. His proposed goals are as follows:

**Student Learning Goal:**

The school district will make "Substantial Progress Toward Targets" as assessed by the 2020 MCAS scores and other indicators delineated in the 2020 DESE School District Accountability Report.

**Professional Practice Goal:**

I will spend time in each classroom at least five times over the course of the evaluation period.

**District Improvement Goal 1:**

By the end of the evaluation period, detailed curriculum maps will be completed for 75% of all high school and middle school courses.

**District Improvement Goal 2:**

Review and revamp the Hull High School Internship Program to better meet the needs of the students.

**District Improvement Goal 3:**

Continue to communicate Hull Public Schools students' achievements to the community.

**District Improvement Goal 4:**

By the end of the evaluation period, oversee the completion of the Best Educational Use of Facilities Study that will make a recommendation to the Hull School Committee regarding school configuration.

Mr. Devine said that he will formally submit his goals at the December 9<sup>th</sup> School Committee meeting. Adding, he has already been working on these goals.

7.0 School Committee Policy Issues

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters

**Second:** Lucas Patenaude

Move to approve the following policies for third reading/adoption:

BBBA/BBBB School Committee Member Qualifications/Oath of Office

BDE Subcommittees of the School Committee

BDF Advisory Committees to the School Committee

BEDG Minutes

BIA New School Committee Member Orientation

BIBA School Committee Conferences, Conventions and Workshops

CBI Evaluation of the Superintendent

DJE Procurement Requirements

GBEA Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest

JFABE Educational Opportunities for Military Children

JFABF Educational Opportunities for Children in Foster Care

IC School Year/School Calendar

IE Organization of Instruction

IGB Support Services Programs

Vote 5-0-0

8.0 Old Business Items

8.1 Sub-committees

None

8.2 Acceptance of Donations

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters

**Second:** Lucas Patenaude

Move to accept the following donations.

The following donations are for:

**HHS Field Advertisement – Sign Purchase**

\$1,000 from Seabird Coffee LLC

\$1,000 from LaDalat

\$1,000 from Hingham Institute for Savings

**Vote:** 5-0-0

Mr. Patenaude requested an update on field advertising donations at the next meeting.

9.0 New Business

Mr. Devine updated the Committee on the progress of the high school gymnasium floor. He told the Committee that we are working with the insurance company and once the project is approved it will take a month to complete.

10.0 Approval of Warrants

Warrants were signed.

11.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Mr. Devine said he received a letter from the Hull Conservation Commission stating that crumb rubber has migrated off the field during the last weather event. Mr. Devine said that he, Mr. DeGennaro and John Perry from Gale Associates were on the field that day and there was no crumb rubber moving around or on their shoes. He stated that after talking with Gale Associates, this happened either during construction or during clean up from construction. A representative from Gale will have a letter for us and Mr. Devine and Mr. DeGennaro will attend the meeting tomorrow night. He informed the Committee that John from Gale took video during the first weather situation to show that the crumb rubber was not moving.

12.0 **Adjournment**

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters

**Second:** Lucas Patenaude

Motion to adjourn at 8:58 pm.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

Attachments

1. Superintendent Goals and Evaluation –New Process/Materials

These Minutes of a meeting of the  
Hull School Committee were  
approved and adopted by the  
Committee on November 4, 2019

Jennifer Fleming, Secretary  
Hull School Committee