

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2019

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

David Twombly, Chair (present),
Lucas Patenaude, Vice Chair (present)
Jennifer Fleming, Secretary (arrived at 7:18 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 7:06 p.m. at Hull High School Second Floor Exhibition Room, 180 Main Street with the salute to the Flag.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Move to approve the October 7, 2019 agenda after moving the order to have 6.3 before 6.2.

Vote: 4-0-0

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

4.0 Student Representative

Seniors, Alyssa Healey and Haven Veraguas informed the Committee of the following:

- Progress reports came out for midterm, actual report cards will come out in a month
- PSAT's will be held October 16 for sophomores and juniors
- Girls soccer is playing their first home game on the new turf field now
- Later in October there will be a fundraiser for Cancer research and EM20 Scholarship

5.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Move to approve the following minutes as presented:

- September 16, 2019

Vote: 4-0-0

6.0 Superintendent's Business Items

6.1 Hull Homes of the Future

Grade five teacher, Deb McCarthy, explained the Community Resilience grant from the New England Aquarium and the design engineering projects the students worked on. Student, Ellen O'Connor, presented her Hull Home of the Future and explained what made the home a Hull Home of the Future.

Ms. Fleming arrived at 7:18 pm.

6.3 Hull High School Advisory Kick-off Day

Hull High School Assistant Principal, Daniel Mastrogiacomo, updated the Committee on Advisory Kick-off Day, which included the following:

- Freshmen – team bonding activities and cook out in the courtyard.
- Sophomores – community service mostly weeding and getting the school ready for the field Opening Day and cook-out in the courtyard.
- Juniors took the boat to Boston. They split up and took college tours and lunch at Faneuil Hall.
- Seniors took the boat to Boston. They split up for sightseeing and lunch at Faneuil Hall.

6.2 Shipwreck'd Lease Modification

Owners of Shipwreck'd restaurant, Adrian Muir and Susan Regan, presented their expansion ideas, which includes a liquor license, with the Committee before going to the Board of Selectmen for a waiver. Because of the close proximity of the restaurant to the high school, they wanted to make sure the Committee was OK with it. They said they would not continue the process if the School Committee was opposed to the idea. The Committee discussed their concerns about selling liquor. The owners said they would work with the schools to alleviate many of the concerns and the issues surrounding alcohol being served during high school sporting events.

Motion: Jennifer Fleming

Second: Eric Hipp

Move to support the proposal set forth by the owners of Shipwreck'd for the lease modification for expansion and liquor license, with the details of such proposal be determined and brought back to School Committee.

Supplemental motion: Eric Hipp

With the understanding that the extended hours are limited to the hours between Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Vote: 3-1-1 (Nays- Lucas Patenaude, Abstain - Stephanie Peters)

6.4 Professional Development Overview

Ms. Judith Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent, gave an overview of the 2019-2020 planned professional development, which included the following:

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Technology
- Safe Supportive School Climate
- Special Education/Regular Education/English Learner Education
- Leadership Retreats

The Committee asked questions and thanked Ms. Kuehn for keeping them informed of all the professional development opportunities that are offered.

6.5 Discussion of Graduation Date and Time

Mr. Devine reminded the Committee that track students came to the last meeting and asked to change the time of graduation on Saturday, June 6th from 1:00 pm to 10:00 am due to the annual MIAA State Track and Field Tournament being scheduled for the first Saturday in June. The Committee asked that this item be brought back to this meeting after the high school principal, Ms. Nicole Nosek, had a chance to speak to school council and government and the senior class. He stated that the support was near unanimous to change the time. The feedback from the students was whatever the decision is to just stick with it. Mr. Devine stated that he is in support of this too. When asked, Mr. Devine said that it doesn't have to affect juniors or band members because they will know in advance and be able to make SAT and other plans accordingly. Mr. Scott Paine, Athletic Director/Community Outreach Coordinator, asked the question "what if the track meet is in the morning and not the afternoon?" He said that the reason the last several meets have been taking place in the afternoon is because they have been held at a college but the MIAA is now trying to change that so the meet can be at any time. Mr. Patenaude suggested sending a letter to the MIAA Commissioner. Mr. Devine said he would reach out to the Commissioner if the Committee would like him to do that. Mr. Paine stated that he would call in the morning. Mr. Devine suggested giving it two weeks to find out and not longer than that. Mr. Twombly said the item is tabled for two weeks. Mr. Patenaude added, at that time we take a vote and stick to it.

6.6 Hull Walking Track and Turf Field

a Update

Mr. Devine gave an update on the status of the field, which included the following:

- The field is open
 - Football, soccer, youth football and youth soccer have all played on the field
 - Met with Gale and Green Acres and developed a punch list of things that need to be done
- When asked about final completion, Mr. Devine responded that it will be hard to get the workers back because they have already moved on and started a new job. Ms. Peters thanked all community members who have purchased signs.

b Community Use of Schools Policies

Ms. Peters made a motion to accept policies KF-R – Community Use of School Facilities and KF-E – School Facilities Use Fee Schedule. Mr. Hipp seconded the motion for discussion purposes. Mr. Hipp discussed changes to # 7 and # 8 in policy KF-R.

Subsequent motion: Eric Hipp

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Move to edit policy KF-R – Community Use of School Facilities, by deleting a portion of bullet #7 to read *Children must be supervised by an adult at all times*. Also, to add the remainder of #7 and change the word *and* to *Children* between the first and second sentence.

Vote: 5-0-0

Mr. Hipp suggested adding the rules to policy KF-R so people renting the field will have them in writing. It was decided to create an exhibit KF-E2 to include the walking track and turf rules that are posted on the fence and change KF-E to KF-E1. Ms. Fleming suggested changing the name of policy KF-R from Community Use to Recreational and Educational Use of School Facilities. Mr. Hipp suggested changing the name to Scheduled Use of School Facilities, Ms. Fleming agreed.

Subsequent motion: Eric Hipp

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Move to edit policy KF-R – Community Use of School Facilities, by changing the name of the

policy to *Scheduled Use of School Facilities*. Also, add a new exhibit KF-E2 to list the walking track and field rules and change exhibit KF-E to KF-E1.

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Eric Hipp

Move to accept policy KF-R – Scheduled Use of School Facilities and KF-E – School Facilities Use Fee Schedule as edited.

Vote: 5-0-0

c. Walking Track Hours

Mr. Devine gave the Committee a list of 4 options that he and staff came up with on hours the gate would be open to the public. The Committee discussed the options and gave their opinions and concerns regarding keeping the gate open during overnight hours and when staff was not on the premises. Mr. Devine said that the punch list items need to be completed and he would not want people walking the track until the track is fixed. Mr. Twombly suggested putting off the vote until the next meeting and having it earlier on the agenda. Mr. Devine urged community members that want to weigh in on this to reach out to us because posting on social media is not the same.

7.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: Lucas Patenaude

Second: Eric Hipp

Move to approve the following policies for second reading:

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 4-0-0 (Stephanie Peters stepped out of the room)

Motion: Lucas Patenaude

Second: Eric Hipp

Move to approve the following policies for third reading:

ACE Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability

BBA School Committee Powers and Duties

BEDA Notification of School Committee Meetings

BEDB Agenda Format

BHE Use of Electronic Messaging by School Committee Members

CBD Superintendent's Contract

CHA Development of Procedures

DB Annual Budget

DKC Expense Reimbursements

EB Safety Program
ECA Building and Grounds Security
EEAEA Bus Driver Examination and Training
EFC Free and Reduced Price Food Services
GBA Equal Employment Opportunity
GBEB Staff Conduct
GBGF Professional Staff Family and Medical Leave
GCF Professional Staff Hiring
GCJ Professional Teacher Status
GDQD Suspension and Dismissal of Support Staff Members
Vote 4-0-0 (Stephanie Peters stepped out of the room)

8.0 Old Business Items

8.1 Sub-committees
None

8.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Eric Hipp

Move to accept the following donations.

Athletic Dept. for Football Program

- \$300 from Dave Oveson

Hull Family Network Program Needs

- \$1,000 from Eastern Bank

The following donations are for:

HHS Field Advertisement – Sign Purchase

- \$1,000 from Elliott Physical Therapy Inc.
- \$1,000 from Eagle Eye Pest
- \$1,000 from Joseph Truglia Masonry
- \$1,000 from River Stone Landscape LLC
- \$1,000 from Froio Family

Vote: 5-0-0

9.0 New Business

Mr. Devine stated that last Sunday a coach went into the high school gym and noticed it was flooded. He continued saying there was an inch of water on the gym floor due to a pipe in the store room leaking. He called the head of facilities along with the fire and police department. Service Master was then called in. Unfortunately there is water between the plywood and concrete. Mr. Devine said we are in the process of filing a claim with insurance and sending out an RFP for the new floor. The high school gym will not be in use for the foreseeable future. He said we are doing the best we can. He wants the community to know now that it may not be complete in time for winter sports to start on time.

10.0 Approval of Warrants

Warrants were signed.

11.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

- Mr. Hipp said he appreciated the 3 people that weighed in about the field usage by email

12.0 **Adjournment**

Motion: Stephanie Peters

Second: Lucas Patenaude

Motion to go adjourn at 10:05 pm.

Vote: 5-0-0

Attachments

1. Professional Development Overview

These Minutes of a meeting of the
Hull School Committee were
approved and adopted by the
Committee on October 21, 2019

Jennifer Fleming, Secretary
Hull School Committee