

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

David Twombly, Chair (present)
 Kyle Conley, Vice Chair (present)
 Liliana Hedrick, Secretary (present)
 Ernest Minelli, Member (present)
 Regan Yakubian, Member (present)

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

The School Committee meeting was called to order by David Twombly, Chair at 6:31 p.m. in the Hull High School Exhibition Room.

- ### 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items
- #### None

- Guidance held a Senior Parents Night
- Guidance will hold a Freshman Parent Night
- Mid quarter is in 2 weeks
- College and Career representatives have been coming in at lunch
- The next home football game is October 6
- Boys and Girls soccer have been playing
- Theatre Arts is rehearsing for Urintown, coming up on November 17 and 18

Motion: Liliana Hedrick
Move to accept 16 chess boards donated from the Hull Boosters Club to the new Hull High School Chess Club.

Second: Regan Yakubian

Vote: 5-0-0

5.0 Hull Teachers Association Representative Report
None

6.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: Ernest Minelli

Second: Liliana Hedrick

Move to approve the following minutes as presented:

- Monday, September 11, 2023 Regular Meeting
- Monday, August 7, 2023 Executive Session
- Monday, September 11, 2023 Executive Session

Vote: 5-0-0

7.0 Superintendents Business Items

7.1 Comfort Dog – Peddocks

Director of Student Services Kristen Ryan introduced Peddocks and his handler, Hull Police Officer Leanne Marshalsea, to the school committee. Ms. Ryan stated Peddocks joined us over the summer and made a few visits at different events. He will be starting at the high school, and appointments with him may be made through the student services office. Officer Marshalsea said Peddocks is a purebred Labrador Retriever, who joined the Hull Police Department last spring as a comfort dog to support students and others in the community by helping to reduce stress and promote wellness in the schools and at town events. HPD acquired Peddocks, who is named after the Boston Harbor Island, with assistance from a \$5,000 grant from the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office. The first comfort dog to serve the Hull Police, 11-month-old Peddocks underwent his comfort dog training at Professional Canine Services in Middleboro and has already gotten down to business. Officer Marshalsea explained that Peddocks is also trained in search-and-rescue, such as helping to find lost children and adults.

7.2 Summer Marine Program

This item was postponed again until the October 10, 2023 Meeting

7.3 Overview of New ELA PreK-7 Reading Curriculum

Ms. Kuehn said that Ms. Christine Cappadonna, Director of Curriculum and Assessment, was unable to attend the meeting so this item will be postponed. Ms. Kuehn did show the video Ms. Cappadonna took explaining the curriculum.

7.4 MASC Delegate

Ms. Kuehn asked Committee members to contact Maggie Ollerhead if they are interested in attending the upcoming MASC/MASS Conference in November, and if so, let Maggie know you will be the delegate.

8.0 School Committee Business Items

8.1 NESDEC Superintendent Search

Ms. Conley asked Committee members to write down the following dates associated with the Superintendent Search.

- **October 10:** School Committee Meeting - NESDEC Orientation by Dr. Frieswyk
- **October 19:** Dr. Frieswyk will lead focus groups in Hull to gather input from parents, principals, teachers, and community members

- **October 19:** School Committee Meeting - Dr Frieswyk will share a summary of the information and input gained from the focus groups throughout the day. Then the School Committee will provide input. This also is a public meeting.
- **Week of October 19:** Online Survey will be available
- **Late November into early December:** The screening committee will review resumes
- **Between December 11 and 15:** Interviews by the School Committee with the initial candidates recommended by the screening committee
- **January 2:** The School Committee will receive an orientation prior to interviews with the final candidates
- **Between January 8 and 12:** Final Interviews with School Committee

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: Ernest Minelli

Second: Liliana Hedrick

Move to approve the following policy for second reading:

BEDH – Public Comment at SC Meetings

Move to approve the following policy for first reading:

DD – Grant Funding Proposals and Applications

Vote: 5-0-0

10.0 Old Business Items

None

11.0 New Business

None

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Mr. Twombly asked which School Committee member was on the Economic Development Committee because he received an email from them. Mr. Twombly will forward the email to Ms. Hedrick, who stated she is on the subcommittee.

13.0 Adjournment

Motion: Kyle Conley

Second: Regan Yakubian

Move to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Vote: 5-0-0

These Minutes of a meeting of the
Hull School Committee were
approved and adopted by the
Committee on October 10, 2023.

Liliana Hedrick, Secretary
Hull School Committee