

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2024

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT REMOTELY

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

HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS REPRESENTATIVES

Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

1.0 Call to Order

David Twombly, Chair asked for a motion to open the remote meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Motion: Ernest Minelli

Second: Kyle Conley

Move to open the remote meeting on January 10, 2024 at 5:00 pm.

Rollcall Vote: David Twombly, Kyle Conley, Ernest Minelli, Regan Yakubian, Liliana Hedrick

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

School Committee Business Items

Mr. Twombly informed the Committee and audience that there are going to be three candidates interviewing for Superintendent. He explained the process, stating that the School Committee members have a list of questions they would like to ask the candidates. There are initials next to each question and the members will ask the same questions to each candidate.

1 Interview with Superintendent Candidate – Mr. Michael Jette

Ms. Conley welcomed Mr. Jette and asked him to give an opening statement including his educational and work experience.

Mr. Jette thanked the Committee for selecting him for an interview. He presented an overview of his educational and working background.

School Committee members identified themselves and asked a total of six questions in the areas of enrollment, educational leadership skills, curriculum development and instruction, communication with parents and community and financial Management.

2 Interview with Superintendent Candidate – Ms. Sarah Shannon

Ms. Conley welcomed Ms. Shannon and asked her to give an opening statement including her educational and work experience.

Ms. Shannon thanked the Committee and presented an overview of his educational and working background.

School Committee members identified themselves and asked a total of six questions in the areas of enrollment, educational leadership skills, curriculum development and instruction, communication with parents and community and financial Management.

3 Interview with Superintendent Candidate – Mr. Michael Tempesta

Ms. Conley welcomed Mr. Tempesta and asked him to give an opening statement including his educational and work experience.

Mr. Tempesta thanked the Committee for selecting him for an interview. He presented an overview of his educational and working background.

School Committee members identified themselves and asked a total of six questions in the areas of enrollment, educational leadership skills, curriculum development and instruction, communication with parents and community and financial Management.

Ms. Conley said she would like to open up the meeting to Committee members for the purpose of discussion about the next steps in the process.

Each Committee member discussed his/her thoughts on the candidate's qualities. Members stated that Hull is very fortunate to have three fabulous candidates. Members stated what they considered the pro's of each and most said it was a difficult decision because of all that the three candidates have to offer. After discussion Ms. Conley asked for a show of 1, 2, or 3 fingers up, as a sign of 1 being least favorite and 3 being most favorite. Each member can only use 1, 2, and 3 once.

Results of the show of hands were as follows:

M. Jette DT – 1, KC – 3, RY – 3, LH – 3, EM – 3 for a total of 13

M. Tempesta DT – 2, KC – 1, RY – 1, LH – 1, EM – 1 for a total of 6

S. Shannon DT – 3, KC – 2, RY – 2, LH – 2, EM – 2 for a total of 11

Committee members continued discussion and after some time there was a motion.

Motion: Kyle Conley

Second: Liliana Hedrick

Move to appoint Michael Jette as Superintendent of Schools.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kyle Conley, Liliana Hedrick, Ernest Minelli, Regan Yakubian Nays: David Twombly

Vote: 4-1-0

Ms. Conley made a motion to reconsider.

Motion: Kyle Conley

Move to reconsider the vote to appoint Michael Jette as Superintendent of Schools pending successful negotiations.

Roll Call Vote: Kyle Conley, Liliana Hedrick, Ernest Minelli, Regan Yakubian, David Twombly

Vote: 5-0-0

Adjournment

Motion: Ernest Minelli

Second: Liliana Hedrick

Move to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 pm.

Roll Call Vote: Kyle Conley, Liliana Hedrick, Ernest Minelli, Regan Yakubian, David Twombly

Vote: 5-0-0

These Minutes of a meeting of the
Hull School Committee were
approved and adopted by the
Committee on January 22, 2024.

Liliana Hedrick, Secretary
Hull School Committee