SCHOOL COMMITTEE HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Stephanie Peters, Chair (present) David Twombly, Vice Chair (present) Lucas Patenaude, Secretary (present) Jennifer Fleming, Member (present) Eric Hipp, Member (present)

HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Michael Devine, Superintendent of Schools Judith Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent Dave DeGennaro, School Business Administrator Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

- 1.0 Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Stephanie Peters, Chair at 7:00 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: David Twombly
 Move to approve the November 5, 2018 agenda as presented.
 Vote: 5-0-0
- 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items None
- 4.0 Student Representative None
- 5.0 Approval of Minutes
 Motion: David Twombly
 Move to approve the following minutes as presented:
 Monday, October 15, 2018 Regular meeting
 Vote: 5-0-0
- 6.0 Superintendent's Business Items

6.1 John and Abigail Adams Scholarship Mr. Devine announced that twenty Hull High School seniors have received the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded based on individual performance on grade 10 MCAS English Language Arts and Mathematics tests. This award makes them eligible for free tuition at the University of Massachusetts (any campus) or any of the Massachusetts state colleges, community colleges, or universities. Mr. Devine read the students names. Alyssa Albert Sarah Ashley James Barone Krista Carpenter Kyle Cuklanz Andrew Del Guidice

Michael Del

Guidice Carrie Eleuteri Michael Fanning Benjamin Fenelon Nathan Froio Jessica Goode Sean Healey Brian Saniuk Carol Ann Shields Jackson Sordillo Megan Walsh Haley Walsh Pederson Grace Waters Charlotte White

6.2 National Merit Scholarship Program

Ms. Nicole Nosek, Hull High School Principal, presented a certificate to James Barone, who was named a National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalist based on his PSAT scores. In order to earn this distinction, a student's PSAT scores must be in the top 1% of all students taking the exam worldwide. She stated that this truly is an amazing accomplishment. She also presented a certificate to Sean Healey, who was named a National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Student based on his PSAT scores. In order to earn this distinction, a student's PSAT scores must be in the top 3% of all students taking the exam worldwide. She stated that this is also is a great accomplishment.

6.3 AP Scholars

Ms. Nicole Nosek, Hull High School Principal, presented a certificate of achievement to thirteen (13) Hull High School students. The College Board has named the following students AP Scholars in recognition of the scores they earned on the 2018 Advanced Placement examinations:

AP Scholars

Granted to students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.Margaret CanavanVictoria FudaMaeve RichardsonKyle CuklanzJessica GoodeJackson SordilloAndrew DelGuidiceSean HealeyMadeline Richardson

AP Scholar with Honors

Granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams. Shea Burke Benjamin Fenelon Emily Menice

6.4 AP/SAT Testing Presentation

Ms. Nicole Nosek, Hull High School Principal, presented the following information on AP and SAT Exam scores:

- Advanced Placement (AP) exams overview
- Hull High School 2018 AP scores
- Number of Hull High School students taking AP exams (2014-2018) in 2018 = 50
- Percentage of Students Taking at Least one AP Exam (2014-2018) in 2018 = 36%
- Number of AP Exams Taken (2014-2018) in 2018 = 98
- Number of Students Earning a 3 or Better (2014-2018) in 2018 = 35

- Percentage of Students Earning a 3 or Better (2014-2018) in 2018 = 71
- AP Trends continue to see improvement in AP scores, a rise in the percentage of students earning a 3 or better and the waiver system has increased opportunities for students to take AP courses and has not led to lower AP test scores.
- Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) overview
- Mean SAT Scores (2015-2018) in 2018 = critical reading -546, mathematics 547, there is no more writing component
- Mean SAT Scores Comparison (2018) above the national average in both areas
- SAT trends
- Future plans of the Class of 2018 55% four-year college, 13% two-year college, 6% military and 26% undecided or work force.
- List of competitive colleges with number who applied, got accepted and attended.

Ms. Nosek responded to School Committee questions and comments. The Committee congratulated staff and students.

6.5 Superintendent Evaluation Process

Mr. Devine explained the evaluation process for Superintendents and asked School Committee members how they would like to implement that process. It was decided that Mr. Devine would put together a binder of evidence and send that to the Committee in two weeks and then the Committee, as a whole, would add the evaluation on the December 10th meeting agenda.

7.0 School Committee Business Items

7.1 Hull Community Walking Track and Turf Field

Ms. Peters mentioned that since all members were at the joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen, Advisory Board and Capital Outlay Committee on November 1st there was no need to rehash the conversation. She directed members to the document that was sent out regarding Gale Associates Contract Amendment, which will provide additional service not included in the original contract with Gale. The original contract provided design, permitting and bid phase services for the synthetic turf and track project. Since the town did not approve the funding at the 2016 spring Town Meeting the project was put on hold. This amended contract will update construction documents and to publically re-bid the project. The cost of this is \$17,680.

School Committee members discussed the contract and advertising. While discussing advertising Ms. Peters said that she is hopeful that at the December 10th meeting the Field4Hull group will be ready to come forward to discuss sign information. When asked where the money would come from for the amended contract, Mr. DeGennaro, School Business Manager, responded that although we used a lot of funds for security this past summer there is money in the building use revolving fund that can be used. Mr. Twombly asked for a timeline and Mr. DeGennaro stated that we need to have a real number of cost, advertise and go out to bid and have bids come in. He said that John Perry from Gale recommended going out in November. Ms. Peters added that this would give us hard and fast numbers. Committee members agreed that it makes sense using Gale again for the updates since they did all the original leg work and to do it now in order to get approval for a bond. Mr. Twombly made it clear that he did not want to see any money coming out of the regular budget because that is for education.

Motion: David TwomblySecond: Jennifer FlemingMove to approve the amended contract proposed by Gale Associates to do the design and
bid phase services and also potentially the electrical and construction phase.Vote:5-0-0

8.0 School Committee Policy Issues

8.1 Advertising Policy

Mr. Devine told the Committee that he spoke to the school district attorney regarding the wording of the policy and in his opinion our attorney believes the current wording should stay in the policy.

Motion: David TwomblySecond: Jennifer FlemingMove to approve policy KHB – Advertising in the Schools for first reading.No vote was taken

Ms. Fleming said she wanted to get started right away and wanted to wave the three readings and adopt the policy now. Mr. Hipp said he still had concerns about the wording but didn't want to slow the process so he would look into other entities policies (ie. MBTA) and come back at a later date if necessary.

Substitute Motion: Jennifer FlemingSecond: David TwomblyMove to wave the first and second reading of policy KHB – Advertising in the Schoolsand go to third reading/adoption.Vote:5-0-0

- 9.0 Old Business Items
 - 9.1 Subcommittees None

9.2Acceptance of DonationsMotion: David TwomblySecond: Jennifer FlemingMotion to approve the following donations:

- \$54 from Kathleen Patterson to pay down student meals balance at Jacobs School
- \$500 from Hull High School Football Alumni to purchase Football helmet headphones and other equipment for HHS
- 10.0 New Business None
- 11.0 Approval of Warrants None
- 12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members None
- Executive Session
 Adjournment
 Motion: David Twombly
 Second: Eric Hipp
 Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:09 p.m. to discuss negotiation strategy with

respect to collective bargaining (Nurses) and litigation on a charge of Prohibited Practice filed by the Hull Teachers Association. An open meeting may have a detrimental effect. The Committee is not expected to reconvene in Open Session.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: David Twombly, Eric Hipp, Stephanie Peters, Jennifer Fleming and Lucas Patenaude.

Attachments

1. AP/SAT Testing Presentation

These Minutes of a meeting of the Hull School Committee were approved and adopted by the Committee on November 19, 2018.

Lucas Patenaude, Secretary Hull School Committee