

SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2006

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Kristen Evans, Chair  
James Canavan, Vice Chair  
Kevin Richardson, Secretary  
Catherine Bowes, Member  
Stephanie Peters, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula Delaney, Superintendent of Schools  
William Hurst, Chief Business and Financial Officer  
Margaret Ollerhead, Policy Coordinator

- 1.0 Call to Order  
The meeting was called to order by Kristen Evans at 7:03 p.m. at the Memorial Middle School Ground Level Exhibition Room, 81 Central Avenue with the Salute to the Flag.
- 2.0 Approval of Agenda  
**Motion:** James Canavan      **Second:** Catherine Bowes  
Moved to approve the School Committee agenda as presented.  
**Vote:** 5-0-0
- 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items  
None
- 4.0 Student Representative Report  
Matthew Howard, Student Representative, reported on the following areas:
  - Baseball
  - Registration continued to 8<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Ninth grade science fair
  - College Fair at Bayside Expo
  - *Aladdin Jr.* play – May 12 & 13
  - Romeo and Juliet presented by Shakespeare Now
  - Senior class leaving for Disney on Thursday night
- 5.0 Hull Teacher Association Representative's Report  
None
- 6.0 Approval of Minutes  
**Motion:** James Canavan      **Second:** Kevin Richardson  
Moved to approve the March 11, 2006 School Committee Budget Workshop

minutes as presented.

**Vote:** 4-0-1 (Catherine Bowes)

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson    **Second:** James Canavan

Moved to approve the March 11, 2006 School Committee Executive Session minutes as presented.

**Vote:** 4-0-1 (Catherine Bowes)

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson    **Second:** Cathy Bowes

Moved to approve the March 13, 2006 School Committee Executive Session minutes as presented.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson    **Second:** Cathy Bowes

Moved to approve the March 27, 2006 School Committee Executive Session minutes with the following change;

- Add Cathy Bowes' name to School Committee members present

**Vote:** 5-0-0

**Motion:** James Canavan    **Second:** Kevin Richardson

Moved to approve the April 4, 2006 School Committee/Custodian Bargaining Negotiations minutes as presented.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

**Motion:** Cathy Bowes    **Second:** James Canavan

Moved to approve the April 10, 2006 School Committee minutes with the following changes;

- Under 4.0 - Student Representative Report, change the date of the *Aladdin Jr.* play from 4/10/06 to **May 12 & 13.**
- Under 7.4 – Update on Administrative Searches, add the word **posting** to the 4<sup>th</sup> bullet after *Jacobs School Principal.*
- Under 8.0 – New Business, Change the first word from *Stephen* to **Stephanie.**

**Vote:** 4-0-1 (Kristen Evans)

7.0 Business Items – Superintendent

7.1 Appointment of Memorial School Nurse

Dr. Delaney introduced Sharon Striglio, recommending her appointment as Memorial School Nurse. She stated that Mrs. Striglio has been a registered nurse for 20 years and has been a substitute school nurse in Hull for the past 3 years. Mrs. Striglio took the podium and told the committee about her background and what she would like to accomplish as Memorial School Nurse.

Cathy Bowes stated that Mrs. Striglio is very active in the Hull Schools and the community especially as a parent volunteer and a member of the High School Council. Kristen Evans asked if there was a motion to appoint Mrs. Striglio as Memorial School Nurse?

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson    **Second:** Stephanie Peters

Moved to appoint Sharon Striglio as Memorial School Nurse.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

#### 7.2 Chartwells

Christopher Callahan – District Manager of Regional Support, Gail Oliveira – Regional Dietitian, and Patricia Collins – Food Service, together presented a review of the Chartwells Food Service Program, which included:

- Nutrition Initiatives – Balanced Choices, Re-Authorization requirements
- Program Achievements
- Program Challenges
- Future Development
- Year to date comparison through April

After discussion of the food service program, between the School Committee and Chartwells, Chris Callahan recommended the Committee raise the prices by .25¢ at each school and then increase by .05¢ to .10¢ each year so it won't be so dramatic to families.

**Motion:** Kristen Evans      **Second:** Stephanie Peters

Moved to go on recommendation of Chartwells and increase lunch and breakfast charge by .25¢ at each school.

**Vote:** 4-1-0 (James Canavan)

#### 7.3 Teacher Licensure

Dr. Delaney referred the Committee to the No Child Left Behind / Highly Qualified Teachers and Paraprofessionals Update from the Mass. Department of Education Commissioner, David Driscoll. The Superintendent told the Committee that of the 129 teachers in the Hull Public Schools, 121 are licensed. She stated that the 8 teachers not yet certified are currently on waivers. The Superintendent will report back with the status of the waivers in May.

#### 7.4 Building Use Fees

Bill Hurst gave the Committee a breakdown of how much it costs each school to operate per hour and how much community groups are charged for use of the buildings. The Committee recommended changing the hourly rates that community groups pay to \$35 per hour for Monday – Friday after 9:00 pm and Saturday, all day. The rate would increase to \$40 per hour for Sundays and Holidays, all day, and then to check every year to see if increases are warranted. The Committee also discussed adding language to the policies stating that there would be an additional charged if a group stays later than what was approved. Maggie Ollerhead will work on wording the policies pertaining to Building Use Fees and Community Use of School Facilities.

#### 7.5 Update on Administrative Searches

The following update was presented by Dr. Delaney:

- The Screening Committee for the Jacobs School Principal has done a paper screening and there were 8 finalists to interview. The interviews will be held this week.

- The Director of Instructional Services position will be re-opened later this week.
- The Director of Finance position is not yet filled. The Superintendent should have more news on that position tomorrow.
- The Assistant Principal for the High School position will be posted tomorrow.
- Jacobs School Principal has received thirty-six resumes, and interviewing will take place at the end of April.

#### 7.6 Academic Eligibility Policy

Jonathan Ford, Hull High School Principal, discussed some reasons why students get F's and ways that he and his staff plan to address these issues during the next school year. Mr. Ford recommends a 1 F policy.

**Motion:** James Canavan      **Second:** Kevin Richardson

Moved to establish a 1 "F" policy in all subjects.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

#### 8.0 New Business

Dr. Delaney gave an overview of the Jacobs School Project, stating that the lowest bid received was 2.8 million over what was estimated. She relayed the options that were discussed at School Building Committee, which included;

- Rejecting the bids and downsizing the project
- Going to Town Meeting
- Taking out the Administration Wing
- Taking away classrooms
- Using the "L" Street Building to house students

Dr. Delaney stated that there would be a meeting tomorrow at the Jacobs School with AI3 and Ray Joyal to discuss options.

Dr. Delaney informed the Committee that the new High School Project Manager, Tom Gould got a lot done during April Vacation and is doing a good job.

Stephanie Peters read a letter that she had written and requested that it be sent to all the students who have come to School Committee as a Student Representative. The letter thanks them for attending.

James Canavan requested that the May 22, 2006 School Committee meeting be rescheduled since that will be the reorganization meeting. The Committee moved the meeting to Tuesday, May 23, 2006.

#### 9.0 Old Business

##### 9.1 Avian Flu

Dr. Delaney referred to a memo from Gov. Mitt Romney, which discussed the Pandemic Preparedness Group.

## 10.0 School Committee Policy Issues

**Motion:** James Canavan      **Second:** Cathy Bowes

Moved to approve the following policies for first reading:

Policy ILB	Testing
Policy IMD	School Ceremonies and Observances
Policy IMDC	Religious Holidays

**Vote:** 5-0-0

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson      **Second:** Cathy Bowes

Moved to approve the following policies including any changes:

Policy IJP	Expendable Supplies
Policy IKC	Class Rank
Policy IKE	Promotion and Retention of Students
Policy IL	Evaluation of Instructional Programs
Policy ILBA	School System Program Assessments
Policy IMA	Teaching Activities/Presentations
Policy IMAA	Plan Books and Planning
Policy IMB	Teaching About Controversial Issues/Controversial Speakers
Policy IMDA	Pledge of Allegiance
Policy IMDB	Flag Displays

No changes to the above policies.

Policy IJOB      Community Resource Persons/Speakers

- Add wording stating that *in the event that these people are unsupervised with children a CORI check will be required.*

Policy IJOC      School Volunteers

- Add wording stating that *a CORI check is required of all volunteers.*

Policy IJQ      Reconsideration of Instructional Resources

- Change the word *deep* to **keep** in the second to last paragraph.

Policy IK      Academic Achievement

- Change Our Mission to the newly adopted mission.
- Change the word *feels* in the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph to **believes**.
- Change the word *find* in the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph to **establish/explore**.
- Add the words **(at least twice in Kindergarten)** to bullet 1.
- Change the words *Inasfar as* in bullet 3 to **Where**.
- Change the word *certain* in the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph to **students requiring individual education plans (IEP's)**.

Policy IKAB      Student Progress Reports to Parents

- Change the words *a vital* in first paragraph to **an important**.
- Add the word **identified** before *guardian* in second paragraph. Add the words **at least 4 times a year** to the end of same sentence.
- Add the words **as established in the school calendar** after the word *periodically* in the third paragraph. Add the words **more frequent progress reports may be added if requested** to the end of same sentence.

Policy IKF                      Graduation Requirements

- Include reference of waivers from Alternative Physical Education and Physical Education/ Interscholastic Sports Contract policies.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

Policy IKB                      Homework

The Committee put a hold on this policy and requested it be brought back to School Committee as a separate agenda item.

11.0 Approval of Warrants

Stephanie Peters inquired on warrant #28, Hull Youth Lacrosse. Bill Hurst stated that the Hull Public Schools received a check for \$5,000.00 from Hull Youth Lacrosse to pay for the equipment.

**Motion:** James Canavan                      **Second:** Catherine Bowes

Moved to approve the school warrants as presented.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

- MASC – 2006 Charting the Course. Workshop for School Committee members.
- Spring Poetry, written by Mrs. Wasik's grade five students.

James Canavan congratulated Henry O'Loughlin, senior at Hull High School, for his athletic accomplishments.

13.0 Executive Session

**Motion:** James Canavan                      **Second:** Catherine Bowes

Moved to go into Executive Session at 10:04 and not to return into open session.

**Roll Call Vote:** Catherine Bowes, James Canavan, Kristen Evans, Stephanie Peters, and Kevin Richardson.