

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006
and
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2006

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula Delaney, Superintendent of Schools
David Twombly, Director of Operations
Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent
Margaret Ollerhead, Policy Coordinator

School Committee Members, Superintendent, parents and Jacobs School staff members toured the Jacobs School before the meeting.

- 1.0 Call to Order
The Tuesday, September 5, 2006 meeting was called to order by Kristen Evans at 7:25 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: Catherine Bowes **Second:** Stephanie Peters
Moved to approve the School Committee agenda as presented.
Vote: 5-0-0
- 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items
None
- 4.0 Business Items – Superintendent
 - 4.1 Acceptance of a Gift
Patrick Finn, community member, spoke about donating a blue spruce tree to be planted in the high school courtyard.

Motion: James Canavan **Second:** Kevin Richardson
Moved to accept the donation from Mr. Patrick Finn for a blue spruce tree to be planted in the high school courtyard.
Vote: 5-0-0

School Committee members thanked Mr. Finn for his generous donation.

4.2 Jacobs School Issues

Chair addressed the six items the HTA had requested at the previous School Committee meeting.

James Canavan stated that he did not see or approve the MSDS (material for mold removal) before the Jacobs School mold was removed. He also stated that he was not objecting to using that material. Dr. Delaney stated that the School Building Committee had approved this item.

Matt Montefusco, President, Oasis Environmental Contracting Services, Inc, stated that ninety-two separate tests had been conducted at the Jacobs School in the eight central rooms and have achieved mold clearance status. Kristen Evans asked Mr. Montefusco based on all his information did he feel that the Jacobs School was safe. He responded that he did feel Jacobs School was safe. Questions from parents and staff members were responded to by Mr. Montefusco. Some of the questions were as follows:

- Will there be a dehumidification plan for the new building? Mr. Montefusco recommended using automatic monitors or having the school custodians use manual monitors to check on any future mold.
- What about the heating system? Mr. Montefusco responded that the univents are being cleaned.
- Were all the areas in the school tested for mold? Mr. Montefusco responded that the Library, Reading Recovery and O/T speech room, Cafeteria A area and administrative offices have not been tested. School Committee requested that Oasis Environmental Contracting Services test all remaining areas in the Jacobs School.

David Twombly, Director of Operations and James Griffin, Facilities Manager discussed the cost of maintaining the univents at Jacobs School. Mr. Griffin also stated that the filters at each school are changed four times a year.

School Committee discussed having a continuation of this meeting on Thursday evening, September 8, 2006.

5.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: James Canavan

Second: Stephanie Peters

Moved to approve policy JH – Student Absences and excuses for second reading.

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion: Kevin Richardson

Second: Stephanie Peters

Moved to approve policy JM – Selection of Class Valedictorian and Salutatorian for second reading.

Vote: 5-0-0

School Committee tabled policy IKC – Determination of Class Rank until the next School Committee meeting.

6.0 Approval of Warrants

Motion: James Canavan

Second: Catherine Bowes

Moved to approve school warrants as presented.

Vote: 5-0-0

Kevin Richardson distributed a copy of a report from William Townsend, Hull Commission on Disability, to Committee Members. The report was regarding the Hull High School punch list. Mr. Richardson requested that this item be placed on a future School Committee agenda.

7.0 Executive Session
None

8.0 Adjournment

Motion: Kristen Evans

Second: James Canavan

Moved to recess the meeting until Thursday, September 7, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

Vote: 5-0-0

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2006

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Kristen Evans, Chair

Kevin Richardson, Vice Chair

Catherine Bowes, Secretary

James Canavan, Member arrived at 4:40 p.m.

Stephanie Peters, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula Delaney, Superintendent of Schools

David Twombly, Director of Operations

Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent

All testing done at the Jacobs School was not completed by Thursday, September 7, 2006. Therefore, the School Committee meeting reconvened on Friday, September 8, 2006 at 4:35 p.m. in the L.M. Jacobs School. Raymond Joyal, Jacobs School Principal, conducted a tour of the Jacobs School before the meeting began.

School Committee thanked parents, teachers and everyone who helped with the preparations for the opening of the Jacobs School.

Matt Montefusco, President, Oasis Environmental Contracting Services, Inc, read the letter to Dr. Delaney stating that all areas tested have achieved clearance status and are ready for re-occupancy with the exception of the administrative offices and cafeteria A. These areas will be re-tested to confirm clearance status.

School Committee assured parents and staff members that over the weekend the grass would be mowed, the floors would be cleaned and waxed, and the lights in the first grade areas would be addressed.

was presented by Matt Montefusco, from Oasis Environmental Contracting Services, Inc. Ms. McCarthy requested a clarification of cafeteria A area. Mr. Montefusco responded that an odd result had come back for that area and would be retested. Ms. McCarthy stated she was comfortable with the report as long as the cafeteria A area passed inspection.

Vote: 5-0-0