

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2008

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Kevin Richardson, Chair (present)
Kristen Evans, Vice Chair (present)
Stephanie Peters, Secretary (present)
Catherine Bowes, Member (present)
Marianne Harte, Member (present)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen Tyrell, Superintendent
Joy Turpie, Assistant Superintendent
David Twombly, Director of Operations
Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent
Margaret Ollerhead, Policy Coordinator

- 1.0 Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Kevin Richardson at 7:05 p.m. at Hull High School in the Second Floor Exhibition Room, 180 Main Street with the Salute to the Flag.
- 2.0 Approval of Agenda
None
- 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items
Kathy Crawford, parent, discussed the need for a librarian at the Memorial Middle School.
- 4.0 Business Items – Superintendent
 - 4.1 FY09 Budget Discussion
Dr. Tyrell thanked the many community members for attending this meeting to hear about the FY09 budget. She requested copies of the FY09 budget be distributed to people in attendance. She also noted that the budget has been placed on the website. The following information was presented for the FY09 maintenance budget (level service budget):
 - FY09 Budget Distribution
 - Budget History
 - FY09 Budget Drivers
 - FY09 Maintenance Budget
 - FY09 Budget Busters
 - FY09 Budget Forecast

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Jonathan Ford, High School Principal, Lynda Feeney, Memorial Middle School Principal, and Donna Tobin, Jacobs School Principal, gave an overview of what is needed to run each school for FY09 and explained the budget needs to maintain each school. Each principal discussed the following areas:

- Staffing levels
- Projected enrollment
- Salaries
- Expenses

Dr. Tyrell stated that at the January 14 meeting administration office, special education and athletics would be presented. .

The meeting was opened up to comments from the public. The following comments / suggestions / questions were offered by members of the audience:

- Emailing report cards and weekly “blue notes”
- Looking into public and private sector grants
- Budget process
- Community participation in the budget reductions
- Areas where cuts will be in the budget
- Five percent reduction for all town departments has been requested by the Town Manager
- Town wide budget being presented to the Board of Selectmen on January 24, 2008

Dr. Tyrell said a breakdown of grants would be presented at a future meeting.

Motion: Kevin Richardson

Second: Stephanie Peters

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Vote: 5-0-0