

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2009

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Stephanie Peters, Chair
Catherine Bowes, Vice Chair
Marianne Harte, Secretary
Kristen Evans, Member
Kevin Richardson, Member (left at 9:45 p.m.)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

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

- 1.0 Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Stephanie Peters at 7:03 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: Catherine Bowes **Second:** Marianne Harte
Moved to approve agenda as presented.
Vote: 5-0-0
- 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items
None
- 4.0 Student Representative
None
- 5.0 Hull Teacher Association Representative's Report
None
- 6.0 Approval of Minutes
Motion: Catherine Bowes **Second:** Kevin Richardson
Moved to approve the following School Committee minutes:
 - Wednesday, February 4, 2009 School Committee Dedication of Rooms/ School Areas as presented
 - Wednesday, June 17, 2009 School Athletic Committee minutes as presented
 - Monday, June 22, 2009 School Committee minutes as presented**Vote:** 5-0-0

7.0 Business Items – Superintendent

7.1 User Fees for Sports and High School Activities Discussion

Mr. Michael Devine, High School Principal, and James Quatromoni, Community Outreach Coordinator and Athletic Director, presented the following:

- User fees recommendation:
 - \$200 to participate in one sport
 - \$150 to participate in a second sport
 - \$100 to participate in a third sport
 - \$75 surcharge for ice hockey and football
 - \$525 individual student cap
 - \$975 immediate family cap
- User fee waiver process
 - families that qualify for free lunch will have user fees waived
 - all other waiver requests will be handled through the high school principal or his designee
 - relief options include: pay plan, work-study, fee reduction and waivers
- User fees collection
 - fees will be collected at Open House during pre-season of each season
 - fees will become a necessary part of athletic eligibility
- Potential revenue
 - donations
 - outdoor advertising
 - temporary in-door advertising

Michael Devine said he would come back at the August School Committee meeting to present user fee recommendations for co-curriculars.

Motion: Kristen Evans

Second: Catherine Bowes

Moved to accept athletic user fees as presented; approve gate receipts to be collected and processed through the High School Athletic Director; and approve advertising on athletic fields

Vote: 5-0-0

7.2 Discussion with Parents

Terry Geary, Parent, presented information from concerned parents regarding what they would like to see in the FY10 budget. Community members also discussed the following:

- Business department and DECA program
- Central office staff
- Literacy Coach

School Committee members responded to community members concerns. School Committee said the Committee is listening. No one likes decisions that had to be made. There is not enough money in the school budget.

Dr. Tyrell responded to a list of questions regarding the FY10 budget.

Deborah McCarthy, HTA President, said the MTA had advised her not to have a parent meeting. She said that if the School Committee would like Brendan Sharkey, MTA representative to attend a future School Committee meeting he would be available.

8.0 New Business Items

Dr. Tyrell requested School Committee to accept a donation from the Hull Theatre Arts.

Motion: Catherine Bowes

Second: Marianne Harte

Moved to accept a \$7,818 donation from the Hull Theatre Arts program.

Vote: 4-0-0

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Postponed until the next School Committee meeting.

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 Subcommittee Updates

- Athletic Committee

Budget Subcommittee

- Budget Strategy Review Committee

Kristen Evans said at the July 8th meeting, Judith Kuehn, Director of Student Services presented eye opening information on the 3.2 million dollars special education budget. Ms. Evans suggested Ms. Kuehn come before the School Committee in the fall to make the same presentation. She said that at the July 21st meeting Dr. Joy Turpie would be presenting information on school grants.

- Building Committee
- Negotiations Subcommittee

11.0 Approval of Warrants

None

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

None

13.0 Executive Session

None

14.0 Adjournment

Motion: Catherine Bowes

Second: Kristen Evans

Moved to adjourn the School Committee meeting at 10:01 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Marianne Harte, Catherine Bowes, Stephanie Peters, Kristen Evans

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