

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2010

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Stephanie Peters, Chair
Catherine Bowes, Vice Chair
Marianne Harte, Secretary
Kristen Evans, Member
Kevin Richardson, Member (arrived at 7:25 p.m.)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen I. Tyrell, Superintendent
Margaret Ollerhead, Policy Coordinator
Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent

- 1.0 Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Stephanie Peters 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: Marianne Harte **Second:** Catherine Bowes
Moved to approve agenda as presented.
Vote: 4-0-0
- 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:** Marianne Harte
Moved to approve the Monday, April 12, 2010 School Committee minutes with the following change:
• Add the letter "r" to the word Teaches in the Thursday, March 18, 2010 minutes
Vote: 4-0-0
- 7.0 Business Items – Superintendent
7.1 FY11 Budget Public Hearing
Dr. Tyrell said it is required by law to have a public hearing on the school budget to receive public input. The School Committee will be voting on the \$12,500,000 budget recommended by Town Manager Philip Lemnios that will be going before Town Meeting. This budget is a level services budget with the exception of adding a .4 facility manager. The School Committee will also be voting on an additional \$1,940,192 for the school department 21st Century Schools. The remainder of the override is in the municipal budget.

Marianne Harte gave the following review of the Budget Strategy Review Committee:

- Met for eight months on a regular basis
- Consisted of parents, School Council, PTO, teachers, Advisory Board, Board of Selectmen, Boosters and administrators

- Committee researched what a 21st Century School needed to look like
- Assigned a dollar value to cost of a 21st Century School
- Every dollar is accounted for
- An annual state of the school will be done by the Superintendent

Dr. Tyrell suggested delaying the budget vote until 7:30 p.m. to give late arriving members of the community an opportunity for input.

*See motion and vote below.

7.2 L.M. Jacobs School 21st Century Schools

Ms. Donna Tobin, L.M. Jacobs School Principal, presented the following information regarding the effects of 21st Century Schools at the elementary school:

- FY10 staff reductions
- Resulting in:
 - Larger class sizes
 - Elimination of the library science program
 - Elimination of technology in kindergarten and grade four
 - Elimination of health program in grades 4 and 5
 - Significantly reduced guidance support
 - Elimination of the Second Steps – Anti Bullying program
 - Elimination of math coach support for teachers and students
 - Elimination of free full day kindergarten program
 - Elimination of grade level meetings
 - Increased number of students per bus
- Funding the 21st Century Plan will allow for the addition of staff
- Resulting in:
 - Reduction in class size at all grade levels
 - Science labs
 - Anti-bullying support and programs
 - Technology for all grade levels
 - Math coaching support for teachers
 - Math support for students
 - Increased reading support for students
 - In school tutoring
 - After school programs for enrichment and remediation
 - Late buses
 - Promethean Boards in classrooms
 - Technology support and training for staff
- FY11 and beyond
 - Providing teachers and students with adequate resources to allow for highly effective teaching and learning
 - Providing programs and services to engage students in the school community
 - Providing the community with the information and data that allows for continued support
- Class size FY10 – FY11
- After school programs

7.1 FY11 Budget Public Hearing

***Motion:** Catherine Bowes

Second: Marianne Harte

Moved to approve the \$12,500,000 level services budget as recommended by the Town Manager.

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion: Catherine Bowes

Second: Marianne Harte

Moved to approve the \$1,940,192 21st Century Schools budget.

Vote: 5-0-0

Dr. Tyrell made a clarification that additional dollars in the override vote are part of the municipal budget.

7.3 Parental/Student consent Release from Liability and Indemnity Agreement Related Policies

Dr. Tyrell requested a third reading/adoption for Policy BBC-E – Parental/Student Consent Release from Liability and Indemnity Agreement.

Motion: Kevin Richardson

Second: Kristen Evans

Moved to approve the following policies for third reading/adoption:

- Policy BBC-E Parental/Student Consent Release From Liability And Indemnity Agreement
- Policy EEAG Student Transportation In Private Vehicles
- Policy EEAG-E1 Student Transportation In Private Vehicle Release
- Policy JJ Co-Curricular And Extracurricular Activities
- Policy JJ-R Co-Curricular And Extracurricular Activities

Vote: 5-0-0

A clarification was made that as of April 27, 2010 a parent/student consent release from liability and indemnity agreement must be signed for all school activities and sporting events.

8.0 New Business Items

None

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: Kevin Richardson

Second: Marianne Harte

Moved to approve the following policies for second reading:

Policy IJOA School Sponsored Field Trips

Policy IJOA-E Field Trip Consent and Release Form

Vote: 5-0-0

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 Subcommittee Updates

- Athletic Committee

None

- Budget Subcommittee

None

- Building Committee

Dr. Tyrell said she was reasonably sure that the Jacobs School playground would be opened within the next two weeks. The next School Building Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 29, 2010.

- Long Term Space Needs

Dr. Tyrell said the Committee will make a presentation at the June 21, 2010 School Committee meeting.

- Negotiations Subcommittee

None

- Town-wide Financial Planning Committee

The Committee presented a report to the Board of Selectmen. The next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2010.

10.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion: Catherine Bowes

Second: Kevin Richardson

Moved to accept the following donation:

\$971.94 to be used for funding Hull High School Athletic program

Vote: 5-0-0

11.0 Approval of Warrants

Motion: Kevin Richardson

Second: Catherine Bowes

Moved to approve school warrants as presented.

Vote: 5-0-0

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Catherine Bowes suggested community members watch the presentation on 21st Century Schools and a science demonstration with Promethean Boards on Channel 22 for more information about the Hull Schools.

13.0 Executive Session

14.0 Adjournment

Motion: Kevin Richardson

Second: Catherine Bowes

Moved to go into Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing strategy for non-union personnel.

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