

SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen I. 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 7:05 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:** Kevin Richardson  
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:** Kevin Richardson                      **Second:** Marianne Harte  
Moved to approve the following School Committee minutes:
  - Tuesday, October 20, 2009 Budget Subcommittee meeting as presented
  - Monday, October 26, 2009 School Committee meeting as presented
  - Tuesday, October 27, 2009 School Committee meeting as presented
  - Tuesday, October 27, 2009 Paraprofessional Negotiations as presented**Vote:** 5-0-0
- 7.0 Business Items – Superintendent
  - 7.1 PTO Request  
Ann Marie Dunn and Chris Kinnally, Hull PTO parents, requested School Committee approval to distribute flyers as a PTO fundraiser. The flyers would be distributed at various times during the 2009-2010 school year.

The following businesses are part of this fundraiser:

- Moe's Restaurant located in the Hanover Mall will donate ten (10) percent of sales on December 10, 2009 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. to the Hull PTO.
- Camilley's Closet is located in Hingham and will donate twenty (20) percent of sales to the Hull PTO on November 18, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Great Lakes Scrip Center gift cards will donate a percentage of various gift card if the gift card is purchased through the Hull PTO.

Superintendent Kathleen Tyrell recommended approval of these fundraisers.

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson

**Second:** Marianne Harte

Moved to approve distribution of Moe's Restaurant, Camilley's Closet, and Great Lakes Scrip Center gift card flyers as a PTO fundraiser for the 2009 –2010 school year.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

Dr. Kathleen Tyrell suggested additional commercial fundraisers for the remainder of 2009 –2010 school year be approved by each school principal and herself. School Committee requested bringing information to a future meeting after a fundraiser is approved. School Committee also requested a form be compiled for each principal to sign off on when fundraiser is approved.

**Motion:** Catherine Bowes

**Second:** Kristen Evans

Moved to suspend policy KHA – Commercial Solicitations and Commercial Fundraising Activities In The School for the remainder of the 2009 – 2010 school year.

**Vote** 5-0-0

#### 7.2 Approval of Regular Education Transportation Bid – Mr. David Twombly

David Twombly, Director of Operations, requested approval to award the regular education transportation bid to North River Bus Company. The period of the bid is three school years commencing September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2012 with an option to extend the contract for two (2) additional years. North River was the only bidder. The proposal was \$297.60 per day for regular transportation. The proposal is in line with other communities. Mr. Twombly explained the bidding process.

Kevin Richardson requested analyzing saving if the number of busses were cut to eight (8) to offset the price increase. Dr. Tyrell said she would come back at a future meeting with this information.

**Motion:** Catherine Bowes

**Second:** Marianne Harte

Moved to authorize Director of Operations to award the regular education transportation contract with North River Bus Company for three (3) years with an option to extend contract for two (2) additional years.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

#### 7.3 South Coastal Workforce Grant Update – Dr. Joy Turpie

Dr. Joy Turpie, Assistant Superintendent, and Mr. James Quatromoni, Community Outreach Coordinator and Athletic Director, presented the following information on the South Coastal Workforce Grants:

- South Coastal Workforce Grants
  - In-House Plant Maintenance FY09

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- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act – Summer 2009
- Purpose of grants
- Components of grants
- In-house plant maintenance program
- Coursework
- Academics
- Weekly activities
- Transferable skills
- The process
- Desired outcome
- The positives

#### 7.4 Professional Development update – Dr. Joy Turpie

Dr. Joy Turpie, Assistant Superintendent, Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, Lynda Feeney, Memorial Middle School Principal, and Donna Tobin, L.M. Jacobs School Principal presented an update on

the professional development that took place in all three schools on November 3, 2009. In preparation for the NEASC evaluation, teachers and paraprofessionals at the high school worked on the Mission Statement and the Expectations for Student Learning. Middle school teachers and paraprofessionals were trained in scoring open response questions, and they analyzed, scored, and discussed student responses to an open response question. Elementary teachers participated in a full-day workshop on the Responsive Classroom. Elementary paraprofessionals participated in IEP development and discussed best practices in providing support in inclusion classrooms. Some elementary special education teachers were trained in Foundations, an explicit phonics program. Dr. Turpie and Principals responded to questions from School Committee

#### 7.5 Pre-Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve Class Sizes

This item was tabled.

#### 7.6 School Attending Children

Dr. Kathleen Tyrell presented the following information on school attending children:

- During the past six year period the Town of Hull has seen a decrease in the number of all school-attending children within the town.
  - There are 180 fewer students that live in Hull from 2004 – 2005 through 2009 – 2010.
  - The percentage of available students attending Hull Schools went from a low of 81% to this year's high of 87%.
  - Students attending Hull High School has gone from 76.2% in 2005-2006 to 85.1% in 2009-2010.
  - The number of students attending vocational technical programs has been stable during the past six school years.
  - There has been a decrease in the number of children attending South Shore Charter School.
- School Committee requested school attending children information be put on the Town Website.

#### 8.0 New Business Items

None

#### 9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

None

School Committee requested to change the December 14, 2009 meeting to December 7, 2009.

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 Subcommittee Updates

- Athletic Committee  
School Committee requested an update on the athletic program at a future meeting.
- Budget Subcommittee  
None
- Budget Strategy Review Committee  
Twenty-First Century Schools will be presented at the December 7, 2009 School Committee meeting.
- Building Committee  
The next meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2009.
- Negotiations Subcommittee  
None
- Town-wide Financial Planning Committee  
The next meeting is scheduled for November 24, 2009

10.2 Acceptance of Donations

**Motion:** Kevin Richardson                      **Second:** Catherine Bowes

Moved to accept the following donations:

- \$26,800.00 to be used for funding Hull High School Athletic program
- \$2,188.00 to be used for funding Hull High School Athletic program

**Vote:** 5-0-0

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:** Marianne Harte                      **Second:** Catherine Bowes

Moved to adjourn School Committee meeting at 8:35 p.m.

**Vote:** AYES: 5-0-0