SCHOOL COMMITTEE HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2011

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Stephanie Peters, Chair (present)
Marianne Harte, Vice Chair (absent)
David Twombly, Secretary (present)
Kristen Evans, Member (arrived at 7:20 a.m.)
Eric Hipp, Member (present)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen I. Tyrell, Superintendent of Schools Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent Maggie Ollerhead, Policy Coordinator

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Stephanie Peters at 7:01 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: David Twombly Second: Eric Hipp

Vote: AYES: 3-0-0

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: David Twombly Second: Eric Hipp

Move to approve the following School Committee minutes as presented:

- Monday, May 25, 2011 School Committee minutes
- Monday, May 9, 2011 Executive Session

Eric Hipp said he would like to declassify the May 9, 2011 Executive Minutes. Dr. Tyrell stated that the purpose of Executive Session had passed and felt comfortable discussing the School Committee minutes in Open Session. Mr. Hipp stated that the minutes referred to potential objections to the substance. Ms. Peters responded that the subject matter of the movie was something the Committee thought would not be a good reflection on the District. Mr. Hipp inquired about the subject matter. Dr. Tyrell responded the Columbia Pictures movie contained subject matter involving inappropriate conduct between a teacher and a student.

Vote: 3-0-0

7.0 Business Items – Superintendent

7.1 Hull High School Improvement Plan

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented and discussed the 2011-2012 Hull High School Improvement Plan objectives:

- Increase parental involvement at Hull High School
- Continue to increase the number of students who graduate from Hull High School in four years
- Increase scores on standardized tests
- Review and revise Hull High School's grading policies to reflect determined student outcomes
- Successfully complete the NEASC visitation, and begin to implement anticipated recommendations
- Improve the quality of the instruction that takes place at Hull High School
- Make the Hull High School Mission, Core Values, and Student Learning Expectations (SLE) an integral part of the culture at Hull High School

Mr. Devine said that high school seniors received \$67,000 in scholarships this year. He thanked the public for the scholarship donations.

7.2 Memorial Middle School Improvement Plan

Ms. Paula Maxwell, Memorial Middle School Acting Principal, presented and discussed the following Memorial School 2011-2012 School Improvement Plan:

- Communication
 - o Build support for the schools through effective communication and community participation that will develop trust and lead to a common understanding of the educational needs of the district
 - o To increase teacher articulation of content and skills goals to students
- Curriculum and Instruction
 - o Increase student achievement in literacy: continue to refine Memorial Middle School literacy program
 - o To administer common assessments across grade levels
 - o To increase student achievement in mathematics
- Student Support
 - o To provide additional opportunities for students to complete school work and homework
 - o To identify and develop plans for students who perform above grade level on classroom assignments and formal and informal assessments in order to provide a challenging learning environment and increase student engagement
 - o Provide students with additional academic support during the school day
 - o To increase student attendance
- Human Resources and Professional Development
 - o Offer a variety of professional development opportunities for all staff members
 - o Expand the peer observations and develop in-house professional development

7.3 L.M. Jacobs School Improvement Plan

Ms. Deborah McCarthy, L.M. Jacobs School teacher, Ms. Ann Connelly, L.M. Jacobs School teacher, and Mr. William Tramontana, L.M. Jacobs School Improvement member discussed the 2011 – 2012 Jacobs School Improvement Plan as follows:

- Communication
 - o Build support for the schools through effective communication and community participation that will develop trust and lead to a common understanding of the educational needs of the district
 - o To assist teachers in coordination of special events, gathering of resources, or projects to coordinate grade level needs

• Curriculum and Instruction

- o To increase student achievement in literacy: Continue to refine our Jacobs School literacy program
- o To administer common assessments across grade levels
- o Increase student achievement in mathematics

Student Support

- o To provide additional opportunities for students to complete school work and homework
- o To identify and develop plans for students who perform above grade level on classroom assignments and formal and informal assessments in order to provide a challenging learning environment and increase student engagement
- o Provide students with additional academic support during the school day
- o To increase student attendance
- Human Resources and Professional Development
 - o Offer a variety of professional development opportunities for all staff members
 - o Expand the peer observations and develop in-house professional development
- Financial and Asset Management
 - o To develop procedures and best practices for ordering, receiving, and tracking supplies and materials at the teacher level
 - o Develop a computerized standards based report card

Dr. Tyrell approved all three school improvement plans subject to funding.

School Committee thanked principals, teachers and Mr. Tramontana for the presentations

7.4 School Year 2011 – 2012 Lunch Price Recommendation

Dr. Tyrell said she supports the lunch price recommendation for 2011-2012 from Mr. Daniel McGonagle, School Business Manager. The proposal is for a \$.25 increase in lunch price for all schools with an incentive to prepay. Prepaid lunch price would remain the same when purchased in blocks of eleven with the twelfth being free. Lunches purchased with cash on a daily basis, will increase by \$.25. The cost at Jacobs School would be \$2.75 and \$3.00 at Memorial Middle School and Hull High School for participants who pay with cash on a daily basis.

Motion: David Twombly Second: Eric Hipp

Move to approve an increase in school lunch for the 2011-2012 school year by \$.25 if paid in cash on a daily basis as presented.

Vote: 4-0-0

7.5 Wellspring Summer Lunch Program

Dr. Tyrell thanked Wellspring and Vincent Harte, Wellspring Director, for providing a summer lunch program. Lunches will be provided during the summer for students on free and reduced program. Dr. Tyrell will send a letter to parents regarding the summer lunch program at Wellspring.

Stephanie Peters requested Mr. Harte come to a future meeting to discuss the relationship between the School District and Wellspring.

7.6 FY12 School Committee Meeting Dates

School Committee discussed the School Committee Retreat and also having an additional meeting during the summer.

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Kristen Evans

Move to approve the following 2011-2012 School Committee meeting dates and Community Outreach Forum dates as presented:

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2011 - 2012

Monday, September 12, 2011

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Monday, October 24, 2011

Monday, November 7, 2011 (Tentative)

Monday, November 21, 2011

Monday, December 12, 2011

Monday, January 9, 2012

Monday, January 23, 2012

Monday, February 13, 2012

Monday, February 27, 2012

Monday, March 5, 2012 (Tentative)

Monday, March 19, 2012

Monday, April 9, 2012

Monday, April 23, 2012

Monday, May 7, 2012

Monday, May 21, 2012

Monday, June 4, 2012

Monday, June 18, 2012

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY OUTREACH FORUMS 2011 – 2012

Monday, September 12, 2011

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Monday, November 7, 2011

Monday, December 12, 2011

Monday, January 9, 2012

Monday, February 13, 2012

Monday, March 5, 2012

Monday, April 9, 2012

Monday, May 7, 2012

Monday, June 4, 2012

Vote: 3-1-0 (Eric Hipp)

New Business Items

8.0

Stephanie Peters commended and congratulated Dr. Tyrell for being elected as the Chair for the South Shore Educational Collaborative Board and also the president of the South Shore Superintendents Association for the 2011 - 2012 school year.

Eric Hipp suggested that School Committee packets be electronically available to the public prior to each meeting. Dr. Tyrell said this item could be discussed at the School Committee Retreat.

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

None

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 Sub-committee Updates

Stephanie Peters requested the list of School Committee Subcommittees be placed on the School Committee Retreat agenda.

10.2 Acceptance of Donations

None

11.0 Approval of Warrants

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Eric Hipp Move to approve school warrants 28S and 320 as presented.

Vote: 4-0-0

12.0 Correspondence to and comments from School Committee Members

Stephanie Peters said she appreciated the efforts of everyone involved in all the school events that took place during the month of June.

13.0 Executive Session

14.0 Adjournment

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Eric Hipp Move to adjourn the School Committee meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Vote: 4-0-0