

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2011

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Stephanie Peters, Chair (present)
Marianne Harte, Vice Chair (present)
David Twombly, Secretary (present)
Kristen Evans, Member (absent)
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 7:00 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:** David Twombly
Move to approve the agenda as presented.
Vote: AYES: 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

Eric Hipp requested to place a hold on the September 29, 2011 Budget Subcommittee minutes. After discussion regarding notice of meetings the following motion was made.

Motion: Marianne Harte **Second:** David Twombly
Move to approve the following School Committee minutes as presented:

- Monday, September 12, 2011 Community Outreach Forum
- Monday, September 12, 2011 School Committee meeting
- Thursday, September 29, 2011 Budget Subcommittee

Vote: 4-0-0

7.0 Business Items – Superintendent

7.1 Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents Academic Excellence Award

Dr. Tyrell said the M.A.S.S. allows Superintendent's each year to honor one senior from each district. This year M.A.S.S has authorized her to present two (2) awards. She said she was delighted to present the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents award to two (2) Hull High School seniors who are .008 apart as number one and number two in their class. The criteria for the selection of a high school senior receiving this award includes class standing, cumulative average, class rank and leadership. Dr. Tyrell read a long list of Jade Dunstan, (number one in the senior class) and Raven

Dunstan, (number two in the senior class) accomplishments during their high school years. Dr. Tyrell said Jade and Raven are a credit to Hull High School and the Hull Community. School Committee and Superintendent congratulated Jade and Raven.

7.2 MCAS Presentation

Dr. Tyrell said she was very pleased to report the growth in the MCAS scores. She said this increase in students scores was a group effort between administrators, teachers and parents. Dr. Tyrell presented the following MCAS information:

- Student Growth Percentile – SGP
 - Each student's rate of change in performance is compared to other students' performance with a similar test score history
 - Examples of ELA student growth percentile
 - Examples of student growth percentile performance
 - MCAS student growth – ELA grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10
 - MCAS student growth – mathematics grades 4, 6, 8
 - MCAS student reduction – mathematics grades 5 and 7
- Adequate Yearly Progress - AYP
 - A federal measure of the extent to which a student group demonstrates proficiency in English Language Arts and mathematics
 - L.M. Jacobs School adequate yearly progress history 2004-2011
 - Memorial Middle School adequate yearly progress history
 - Hull High School adequate yearly progress history
 - National dialogue
 - Massachusetts performance
- Performance Level Trends

Grade	Proficient	Needs Improvement	Warning
Grade 3 ELA	78%	19%	3%
Grade 3 Mathematics	84%	12%	4%
Grade 4 ELA	48%	45%	7%
Grade 4 Mathematics	30%	57%	13%
Grade 5 ELA	81%	10%	8%
Grade 5 Mathematics	61%	26%	13%
Grade 5 Science & Technology/Engineering	51%	39%	10%
Grade 6 ELA	78%	14%	7%
Grade 6 Mathematics	53%	31%	16%
Grade 7 ELA	67%	27%	6%
Grade 7 Mathematics	40%	44%	16%
Grade 8 ELA	77%	21%	2%
Grade 8 Mathematics	58%	20%	22%
Grade 8 Science & Technology/Engineering	28%	54%	18%
Grade 9 Introduction to Physics	71%	22%	7%
Grade 10 ELA	95%	4%	0%
Grade 10 Mathematics	85%	14%	1%
Grade 10 Science & Technology/Engineering	90%	9%	1%

- District Analysis and Review Tool – DART
 - Allows user to make meaningful comparisons to comparable school districts
- MCAS % Advanced/Proficient
 - 2010 ELA 66%, 2011 ELA 74%
 - 2010 Mathematics 57%, 2011 Mathematics 58%
- 2010 MCAS Growth
 - 2010 ELA 36.0, 2011 ELA 52.0
 - 2010 Mathematics 45.0, 2011 Mathematics 45.5

- MCAS Improvement Efforts

Ms. Jean Penta, L.M. Jacobs School Principal, Mr. Anthony Hrivnak, Memorial Middle School Principal, and Mr. Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented the individual schools MCAS improvement efforts for the 2011-2012 school year. Ms. Laura Miceli, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development, discussed the District MCAS improvement efforts for the 2011-2012 school year.

School Committee congratulated the Superintendent, Administrators, and teachers for a job well done.

David Twombly requested an update on consultants and professional development at a future meeting.

7.3 Forsyth Dental Program at L.M. Jacobs School and Memorial Middle School

Christine Cappadona, L.M. Jacobs School Assistant Principal, said the L.M. Jacobs School and Memorial Middle School are collaborating with The Forsyth Institute. Information and consent forms were sent home to parents regarding the *ForsythKids* Program. Students who participated in the program received a full oral examination, a cleaning, a fluoride treatment and a toothbrush. Dental services are free to all students.

7.4 Hull High School Self-study

Mark Galligan, Hull High School Social Studies Teacher, presented the following update on the Hull High School NEASC Self-study:

- Mission statement
- Expectations for student learning
- Expectations revision
- Core values
- Self study overview
 - The process
 - Standards ratings
 - Critical strengths
 - Critical weaknesses
 - 2-year and 5-year plans
- The NEASC visit
- Panel presentation
- Panel presentation topics
- What comes next
- Possible status

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, and Mark Galligan, Hull High School Teacher, responded to questions from School Committee.

7.5 Hull High School Advisory Program

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented the following overview of the Hull High School Second Annual Advisory Kick-off Day:

- Hull High School provides a formal advisory system for all students that attend Hull High School.
- On October 5, 2011 all Hull High School students participated in an all day advisory day.
- The freshmen class stayed at the high school, and participated in “Getting to Know Hull High School.” This activity was supervised by Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal. The freshmen class worked on team building activities.
- Sophomore students worked on “Service to Our Community” by participating in community service activities at the Hull Senior Housing, Sunset Point Camp and Hull High School. The program was supervised by James Quatromoni, Community Outreach Coordinator.
- Junior class participated in “Thinking About Life After Hull High School.” Students left Pemberton Pier on a boat to Boston and took a guided tour of a college or university. This activity was supervised by Scott Sivo, Hull High School Assistant Principal.
- Senior advisories participated in “Getting to Know Boston.” Students boarded a boat from Pemberton Pier to Boston and visit a cultural or historical site.
- PTO and HASC helped with the funding these activities.

8.0 New Business Items

Stephanie Peters noted that the School Committee would meet with the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. The Advisory Board will also be present at this meeting.

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: David Twombly

Second: Marianne Harte

Move to approve the following policies as presented:

DIB	Types of Funds/Revolving Funds
DID	Inventories
DIE	Audits
DJ	Purchasing
DJ-R	Purchasing Regulations
DJA	Purchasing Authority
DJB	Purchasing Procedures
DJC	Petty Cash
DJC-R	Petty Cash Accounts
DJE	Bidding Requirements
DJG	Vendor Relations
DJGA	Sales Calls and Demonstrations
DK	Payment Procedures
DKA	Payroll Procedures
DKC	Expense Reimbursements
DM	Cash In School Buildings
DN	School Properties Disposal Procedure

Vote: AYES: 4-0-0

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 Sub-committee Updates

Stephanie Peters read the updated list of School Committee Sub-committees.

10.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Eric Hipp

Moved to accept the following donations:

\$5,000 to be used for funding Hull High School Sub-varsity Football Program

\$7,000 to be used for funding Hull High School Ice Hockey Program

\$ 400 to be used for funding Hull High School JV Soccer Program

\$ 300 to be used for funding Hull High School Athletic Program

\$ 225 to be used for funding Hull Family Network Program

Vote: Ayes: 4-0-0

11.0 Approval of Warrants

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Eric Hipp

Move to approve school warrants 3S, 4S, 5S (summer warrants) 9S and 333 as presented.

Vote: 4-0-0

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

David Twombly said he is meeting with Daniel McGonagle, School Business Manager, and Richard Miller, Hull Light Plant Operations Manager, on Thursday, regarding energy savings.

13.0 Executive Session

14.0 Adjournment

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Eric Hipp

Move to adjourn the School Committee meeting at 9:38 p.m.

Vote: 4-0-0