SCHOOL COMMITTEE HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Marianne Harte, Chair (present) Stephanie Peters, Vice Chair (present) Eric Hipp, Secretary (present) Michelle Lanner, Member (absent) David Twombly, Member (present)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen I. Tyrell, Superintendent of Schools Matthew Gillis, School Business Administrator Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Marianne Harte, Chair 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: David Twombly **Second:** Stephanie Peters

Move to approve the December 8, 2014 agenda as presented.

Vote: 4-0-0

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

4.0 Student Representative

Matthew Frost and Kendall Carmody, seniors at Hull High School reported the following:

- Thanksgiving day rally was a success and the seniors won the wall
- The seniors had a mock Olympics as a fundraiser and \$280 goes to the seniors and the rest goes to Alzheimer's Association.
- The Powder Puff game was a success
- Thanksgiving day game Hull lost
- Basketball started today
- The Addams Family is this weekend, December 12, 13 and 14, 2014
- The winter concert is on December 18, 2014
- The high school started a newspaper club and Mr. Fuller is the advisor. The first 20 page newspaper will be published tomorrow

5.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Stephanie Peters

Move to approve the following School Committee minutes.

- Monday, October 20, 2014 Executive Session
- Monday, October 20, 2014 Regular Meeting
- Monday, October 27, 2014 Budget Subcommittee

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- Monday, November 3, 2014 Executive Session
- Monday, November 3, 2014 Regular meeting

Vote: 4-0-0

6.0 Business Items – Superintendent

6.1 Physics and Stuff Club

Ms. Kathryn Lidington, Hull High School science teacher, along with students from the *Physics and Stuff Club* discussed their club that was formed last year when several students went to Ms. Lidington and asked if they could do "physics and stuff" in her room after school. The students presented their student-built hovercraft. They showed a video of the students making the hovercraft and Ms. Lidington got on the final product and showed how it worked to School Committee and the audience.

8.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Part of this item was taken out of order to accommodate James Lampke, Town Council. Mr. Matthew Gillis, School Business Administrator and Town Council Lampke discussed the changes to the transportation policies.

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Stephanie Peters

Move to approve the following policies for third reading/adoption.

EEBB - Transportation Policy Use of Private Vehicles on School Business by Employees and Volunteers for Student Transportation and Other Purposes

EEBBA - Transportation Policy for Use of Private Vehicles on School Business by Student/Parent/Guardian Acknowledgement.

Vote: 4-0-0

6.2 Professional Development

Ms. Judith Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development, gave an overview of the 2014-2015 Professional Development. The topics included the following:

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Instructional Technology Integration
- Self Supportive School Climate
- Special Education/Regular Education Intervention/English Language Education
- Staff/Teacher Induction Program

Ms. Kuehn explained that professional development is connected from year to year and is now on the website. She answered Committee member's questions, stating that they put out a survey and staff wanted more training on behavior issues. There is also a lot of math professional development. We collaborate with other districts. Polly Bath did a number of professional development times on the topic of behavior and it seems to be working. There is a lot of support from teachers. There is a form of assessment for data collection.

6.3 Coordinated Program Review Update

Ms. Philippa Young, Director of Student Services and Ms. Judith Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent, discussed the Coordinated Program Review, which includes the review of special education, civil rights, English language learners, and career/vocational education by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The Coordinated Program

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Review will take place in mid January but staff has been preparing the documents for some time and there is still a lot to take care of before they arrive. This information will include:

- Pre-Onsite Activities
 - o Self-assessment
 - Orientation meeting
 - o Special education documentation
 - o District preparation for onsite activities
- Onsite Activities
 - Special education student file review
 - o Staff/parent/community interviews
 - Classroom observations
 - o Civil rights data
 - o English language learner review

The Committee discussed the review and Ms. Young and Ms. Kuehn responded to questions. The results of the review will definitely be before the school year is over. The Committee will receive copies of the report. There is no federal funding associated with this review.

6.4 FY16 Budget Discussion

Dr. Tyrell told the Committee that this item will be carried forward to every school committee meeting and there was nothing new to report on the FY16 budget at this time. Mr. Hipp asked if the Town Manager had scheduled his budget discussion and the answer was, not at this point. Dr. Tyrell did speak to the Town Manager and told him about our technology needs and a the need for a truck that some other town department might not need.

7.0 New Business

None

8.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: Stephanie Peters Second: David Twombly

Move to approve the following policies for first reading:

Policy ADDA Background Checks

Policy GCCD Domestic Violence Leave Policy Policy JH Student Absences and Excuses

Vote: 4-0-0

Motion: Stephanie Peters Second: David Twombly

Move to approve the following policies for second reading:

Policy IHAA Supplement, Not Supplant Policy JIE Pregnant/Parenting Students

Vote: 4-0-0

9.0 Old Business Items

9.1 Sub-Committees

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• The School Committee Goals subcommittee met in November and will present the goals at a January School Committee meeting.

9.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Stephanie Peters

Moved to accept the following donation as presented:

- 3M school supplies estimated value \$4,500 donated to the Jacobs School (parent works at 3M).
- \$1,080 from Premier Swimming Hull Triathlon donated to athletic department.
- \$15,000 from Hull Boosters Club donated to athletic department.

Vote: 4-0-0

10.0 Approval of Warrants

Motion: David Twombly Second: Stephanie Peters

Moved to approve the following warrants as presented:

Warrants 14S, 596. 597 and 598

Vote: 4-0-0

11.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

- The lights at the middle school are fixed.
- Shout out to the students of Hull because they give back to the community in many ways. They volunteer in youth sports and other times and the parents and guardians should be very proud.
- Addams Family coming this weekend.

12.0 Adjournment

Motion: Stephanie Peters Second: David Twombly

Move to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Vote: 4-0-0

Attachments:

1. Coordinated Program Review presentation

These Minutes of a meeting of the Hull School Committee were approved and adopted by the Committee on February 23, 2015

Eric Hipp, Secretary Hull School Committee