

**HAMPTON SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
November 14, 2017
Hampton Town Hall**

Present: Les Shepard, Chair
Ginny Bridle
Frank DeLuca
Peppa Ring
Andrea Shepard

Others Present: Kathleen Murphy, Superintendent SAU 90
Nathan Lunney, Business Administrator SAU 90

1. Call to Order

Chair Shepard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Superintendent Murphy said she was happy to have such a large crowd present at this meeting. She then congratulated Chair Shepard who has just retired after 42 years of service in education.

3. Celebration of Learning

Chair Shepard said there would now be a Celebration of Kindness. Sue Antico of Marston School presented the school's bullying prevention rules. Seventh Graders from Hampton Academy did a presentation called "The Bully Circle" where they showed various ways to respond to bullying. Gus Carlson then led Marston students in a song titled "Take a Stand". A video was shown on "Sharing Acts of Kindness".

4. Public Comment

Tim Jones discussed the Hampton Academy renovation project. The voters approved approximately \$26 million for this project. SAU 90 controls prime

property on Towle Farm Road. Mr. Jones said this land is a surplus and causes ongoing maintenance and liability. This land is worth \$1.5 million and should be put on the open market, sold and the money returned to the taxpayers to help offset the cost of the Academy renovation.

Chair Shepard said they would have to rely on Mr. Lunney to determine how much this would impact the tax bill.

Chair Shepard said a letter had been received from Mary-Louise Woolsey saying the land should be preserved in its natural state.

Ms. Shepard said she would like to see feedback from the entire community regarding this issue. Mr. DeLuca also agreed that more feedback from the community is needed.

Superintendent Murphy noted that presently a lot of activities takes place on this land for children, seniors, families etc.

Ms. Bridle suggested doing a non-money article "Are you interested". This would just be a survey for the ballot. Mr. Lunney said he would look into this.

Mr. Jones said he would be glad to work with Ms. Woolsey on a committee addressing this issue.

Mary-Louise Woolsey said she hoped that the Board would focus on the value of this land and that it would be kept forever in its natural form.

5. Committee Reports

Budget Committee

Ms. Bridle said the Budget Committee is involved in the budget process. They will be meeting with the School Board on December 19th.

Wellness

Ms. Shepard said they will be meeting in January.

Curriculum

Ms. Shepard said the Science curriculum is being reviewed. Barbara Hopkins has asked that the committee go to the NH Dept. of Education to show the work they

have been doing. World Language has begun meeting. Social Studies will be looked at throughout the school year and during the summer.

NHSBA

Chair Shepard said they are asking for resolutions. He will be going to the annual' meeting in January.

Recreation

Ms. Ring said there will be a meeting tomorrow about the float for the Christmas Parade.

Professional Development

Ms. Ring said there will be a meeting this week.

6. Reports

Principals' Reports

Principal Lannan said Centre School is also working on the prevention of bullying. A lot of work is being done on safety. The Halloween Parade was a big success.

Principal Costa said they had a great Veterans Day Celebration at Marston. There were 46 veterans present. One student from each class was selected to read a letter they had written to the veterans.

Principal O'Connor said they are presently doing parent conferences. They also did "Take a Veteran to School Day". Warren White, a World War II veteran, spoke to the 8th grade class.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Murphy said teachers have been very involved in teacher leadership. This is very important to student success. She noted that it is very difficult to find workshops for Unified Arts teachers.

Chair Shepard asked about the Title II grant. Superintendent Murphy said they are working on that with the Dept. of Education.

Superintendent Murphy said all positions are presently filled. There will be some Leaves of Absence coming up.

The AESOP system for substitutes seems to be working well.

Superintendent Murphy said she talked with Chief Sawyer and he and Deputy Chief Hobbs will meet with the Board in December to discuss safety in all three buildings. They have asked that it be in a non-public session given the issue of building security.

Superintendent Murphy presented the proposed calendar for 2018-19.

Moved by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Ring, to accept the 2018-19 Calendar as presented.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Murphy said a notice of retirement had been received from Sue Shea and asked for the Board's acceptance.

Moved by Ms. Ring, seconded by Mr. DeLuca, to accept the notice of retirement from Sue Shea with regrets.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

Enrollment as of November 1st was 1092.

Business Administrator's Report

Mr. Lunney asked the Board to answer a questionnaire from Plodzik & Sanderson, Professional Association/Accountants and Auditors. This is in reference to the Board's knowledge of the District/SAU's financial procedures.

Mr. Lunney said work is being done on the budget. At this time Food Service is a little in the red.

The Academy renovation project is going very well. It is on schedule. Mr. Lunney said he hopes to have the construction team at next month's meeting,

7. **Policy Review**

The Board addressed the following Policies:

Moved by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Bridle, to accept Policy IHAM Health Ed. & Exemptions from Instruction – 2nd Read.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Bridle, to accept Policy JRA Student Records and Access – 2nd Read.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Ring, seconded by Ms. Bridle, to delete Policy FEH Supervision of Construction.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Bridle, seconded by Ms. Ring, to accept Policy ILD Non Educational Surveys and Questionnaires – 2nd Read.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Consent Agenda

Moved by Ms. Ring, seconded by Ms. Bridle, to approve the Minutes of October 10, 2017 (Regular and Non-Public).

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

The calendar was reviewed.

The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room.

9. Non-Public Session – may be called under RSA 91-A:3 II (a)-roll call vote required

Moved by Ms. Bridle, seconded by Ms. Shepard, to move into Non-Public Session at 8:21 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

10. The Board returned to Public session at 8:45pm.

Moved by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. Ring, to accept the 2018-19 budget of \$22,877,640.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

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11. Adjournment - **On a motion** by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. Bridle, the board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice
Secretary