# SCHOOL COMMITTEE HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS HULL, MA 02045

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Hipp, Chair (present) Stephanie Peters, Vice Chair (arrived 8:14 pm) Jennifer Fleming, Secretary (present) Kelley Huxtable, Member (present) David Twombly, Member (present)

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Judith Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent David DeGennaro, Business Administrator Maggie Ollerhead, Secretary to the Superintendent

#### 1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Eric Hipp, Chair at 7:02 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: Jennifer Fleming

Move to approve the February 6, 2018 agenda as presented

**Vote:** 4-0-0

## 3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

## 4.0 Student Representative

Seniors Victoria Fuda, Shea Burke and Lillian Whelan commented on the following:

- Honor roll came out and the freshman had the greatest percentage of honor roll students
- College acceptances are coming in
- There are an abundance of scholarships for seniors to apply
- There was a Change Collection fundraiser for fire and storm victims that raised \$180 for Wellspring
- Saturday 9 students tried out for SEMBA and 4 were accepted
- The National Honor Society is doing a Savers drive with drop off spots all over town. They will measure the weight. Money will go towards Luke's Light, along with the money already raise by selling Luke's Lights at football games, the Holiday Showcase and the local church. \$2,000 has been raised to send to Puerto Rico.

#### 5.0 Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** David Twombly Second: Kelley Huxtable

Move to approve the following minutes as presented:

• Monday, January 22, 2018, Regular meeting

Vote: 4-0-0

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- 6.0 Superintendent's Business Items
  - 6.1 FY19 Budget Discussion
  - Theatre Arts

Ms. Nicole Nosek, Hull High School Assistant Principal and Mr. James Sullivan, Theatre Arts Director, updated the Committee on the drama program and fees associated with drama, which included the following:

- 2017-2018 performances
- Financial structure
- Drama donations revolving account
- Drama major fundraisers
- Drama user fees
- Drama user fees revolving account
- Anne Frank actuals
- Legally Blonde Budget
- Festival METG Entry *Lockdown*
- What is new to the program?

Ms. Nosek and Mr. Sullivan recommended making no changes to the fee structure at this time.

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

Move to maintain the drama fees at current rates as presented.

**Vote:** 4-0-0

• Special Education and Grants

Ms. Judy Kuehn, Assistant Superintendent, presented the special education budget and grant projections, which included the following:

- FY19 proposed special education budget
- FY19 special education budget breakdown
- Historical grant receipts
- Grant receipts expense details
- Competitive grants

Committee members asked questions regarding the Opioid and Aquarium grants. They also discussed the fact that grant money has decreased by 52% in four years, which means a district this size has to pick up those costs, and there are signs that going forward the grants will continue to go down more. Ms. Kuehn said she is expecting a 15% drop next year.

#### 7.0 School Committee Business Items

7.1 MSBA Statement of Interest – Memorial Middle School

Mr. DeGennaro explained that the School Committee packet includes information that needs to be voted on. He reminded the Committee that we have applied twice in the past two years and we were not picked. He added that he would like to try again if the Committee approves. He said the Board of Selectmen voted in favor of moving forward on January 25, 2018 and now this requires a School Committee vote. When asked, Mr. DeGennaro said that priority school is Memorial School. He also stated that Thompson and Litchtner was out earlier today and the plans are still valid for the fixes needed.

**Motion:** David Twombly **Second:** Kelley Huxtable

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 6, 2018 prior to the closing date, the Hull School Committee, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted

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to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated March 2, 2018 for the Memorial Middle School located at 81 Central Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts 02045, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future. The building envelope related issues that meet the criteria for Priority #1 – "Replacement or renovation of a building which is structurally unsound or otherwise in a condition seriously jeopardizing the health and safety of school children, where no alternative exists." The school building needs masonry and building envelope repair work per the Thompson and Lichtner report dated February 20, 2015 and also to replace or repair HVAC units per recommendation report from WSP Engineering Services; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town of Hull to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

**Vote:** 4-0-0

## 7.2 MSBA Statement of Interest – Hull High School

Mr. DeGennaro explained that there needs to be two separate votes on the statement of interest to MSBA. See item 7.1 for details.

**Motion:** David Twombly Second: Jennifer Fleming

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 6, 2018 prior to the closing date, the Hull School Committee, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated March 2, 2018 for the Hull High School located at 180 Main Street, Hull, Massachusetts 02045, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future. The building envelope related issues that meet the criteria for Priority #1 – "Replacement or renovation of a building which is structurally unsound or otherwise in a condition seriously jeopardizing the health and safety of school children, where no alternative exists." The school building needs masonry and building envelope repair work per the Thompson and Lichtner report dated February 20, 2015 and also to replace or repair HVAC units per recommendation report from WSP Engineering Services; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town of Hull to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

**Vote:** 4-0-0

Mr. Hipp asked if the Committee needs to vote on prioritizing the schools based the recommendation from Thompson and Lithchter. He remembered voting for the top priority last year.

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

Move to make the Memorial Middle School the first priority in our Statement of Interest

application to the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

**Vote:** 4-0-0

## 8.0 School Committee Policy Issues

**Motion:** David Twombly **Second:** Kelley Huxtable

Move to accept the following policies for first reading as presented:

JA Student Policies Goals

JB Equal Educational Opportunities

JBA Discrimination on the Basis of Race, Color, Sex, Gender Identity, Religion, National

Origin, Sexual Orientation or Homelessness

JC Attendance Areas

JCA Assignment of Students to Schools

JF School Admissions JF-R School Admissions

JFAA Admission of Resident Students
JFAAA Evidence of Residency/Guardianship

JFABD Homeless Students: Enrollment Rights and Services

JG Admission to Course of Study

JHA Student Tardiness

JHD Exclusion and Exemptions from School Attendance

JI Student Rights and Responsibilities

JICA Student Dress Code

JICC Student Conduct on School Buses (Also: EEAEC)

JICF Gang Activity/Secret Societies

JICFA Hazing JICFA-E Hazing

JICH Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use by Students

JICHA Breathalyzer Testing
JIE Pregnant Students

JIH Searches and Interrogations

Vote: 4-0-0

#### 9.0 Old Business Items

#### 9.1 Sub-committees

- Ms. Huxtable stated that she attended the South Shore Sustainable Living Forum and there a lot of people from Hull. She said it was nice to hear about the efforts of other communities going green but unfortunately, at this time Hull cannot participate in the benefits of a green community because we have our own electric company. She said hopefully in the future we will be able to participate.
- Ms. Fleming said she and Mr. Devine attended the Marijuana Task Force panel discussion on January 24, 2018. She said the meeting will be televised until the town votes whether nor not to allow marijuana related business in Hull. She also encouraged people to come out and vote at the Special Town Meeting on Monday, February 12, 2018.
- Mr. Hipp said he attended the first meeting of the Strategic Plan Development Committee. He said it was an introductory meeting and that he was impressed with the high caliber of people with strong educational backgrounds who have volunteered to be on the committee. The next meeting will be on Valentine's Day.
- Ms. Kuehn informed the Committee that she is chairing the Principal Search Committee and the committee is moving several candidates forward on to second interviews on February 15' 2018.

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## 10.0 New Business

None

## 11.0 Approval of Warrants

None

### 12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Ms. Peters informed the Committee and the community that the school department has been very lucky to be in receipt of some products from a company that wants to remain anonymous. She said there were tables and chairs and supplies donated, along with a conference table. She wanted to publically thank this particular person very much for the donations and the partnership that has formed between the two groups.

Ms. Kuehn read an email regarding the Pemberton public meeting to be held on February 27, 2018, in which the discussion of the process for an Economic Development Plan for the Pemberton Point are of the Town of Hull.

13.0 Adjournment

**Motion:** Stephanie Peters

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

Additional documents:

- 1. Theatre Arts presentation
- 2. Special Education and Grants presentation
- 3. MSBA Statements of Interest

These Minutes of a meeting of the Hull School Committee were approved and adopted by the Committee on February 26, 2018

Eric Hipp, Chair Hull School Committee Jennifer Fleming, Secretary Hull School Committee

**Second:** David Twombly