

Hampton Board of Education

Hampton, CT 06247

June 23, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Rose Bisson called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Members present: Juan Arriola, Mark Becker, Maryellen Donnelly, Ann Gruenberg, Russ Moffitt and Neal Moon. Also present: Superintendent Frank Olah; Principal Sam Roberson; Director of Special Education, Judy Benson-Clarke; Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux
2. **Audience for Staff and Citizens** – Dayna Arriola reported that the report submitted for the annual report was for the wrong year.
3. **Correspondence to the Board** – Dr. Olah read a letter from Robert Rader, Executive Director, CABE. Rose Bisson read another letter from Rader Rader.
4. **Approval of 5/26/21 Minutes** – Ann Gruenberg moved to approve the minutes. Maryellen Donnelly seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
5. **Superintendent’s Report** – Dr. Olah presented his report and answered questions from Board members.
6. **Principal’s Report** – Ms. Roberson presented her report and answered questions from Board members.
7. **Director of Special Education’s Report** – Dr. Benson Clark presented her report and answered questions from the Board.
8. **Discussion and possible action on the CABE letter cited above.** – The board discussed the implications of the letter.
9. **Discussion and possible action on the BOF’s vote to reduce the BOE’s 2021-2022 budget.** – Juan Arriola moved to cut one bus from the 2021-2022 Board of Education budget. Neal Moon seconded. The motion failed with the following vote: Yes – Juan Arriola, Russ Moffitt, Neal Moon. No – Mark Becker, Maryellen Donnelly, Ann Gruenberg.
10. **Discussion and review of the approved ESSER II Grant funding** -Dr. Olah presented the items funded by the grant.
11. **Discussion and review of the approved School Readiness Grant 2021-2022.** – Dr. Olah presented the items funded by the grant.

12. Committee and Liaison Representatives' Reports/Recommendations:

- Communications
- Finance and Operations
- Policies
- Ad Hoc: Job Description Sub-committee
- CABE
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15. Additions to the Agenda – Mark Becker moved to add a discussion of the restoration of Board of Education meetings in public to the agenda. Juan Arriola seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

15.a. Public Meetings – Mark Becker moved to restore full Board of Education meetings to in person beginning with the July board meeting. Juan Arriola seconded. The motion failed with the following vote: Yes – Mark Becker, Maryellen Donnelly, Ann Gruenberg. No – Juan Arriola, Russ Moffitt, Neal Moon.

16. Audience for Citizen's and Staff – Linda Sanchini reported a student in her class won third place in the RM eeSmarts- Energize Connecticut essay contest.

17. Executive Session for negotiation of an employment agreement with a public official – Maryellen Donnelly moved to enter executive session for the purpose of negotiation of an employment agreement with a public official. Juan Arriola seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Olah was invited to attend the executive session. The Board entered executive session at 9:24 pm.

The Board entered public session at 9:24 pm.

Maryellen Donnelly moved to enter into an employment agreement with the Hampton Superintendent of Schools for the 2021-2022 school year. Ann Gruenberg seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

17. Adjournment – Juan Arriola moved to adjourn. Russ Moffitt seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The Board adjourned at 9:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Bisson