

HAMPTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
HAMPTON, CT 06247  
FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, July 22, 2021  
7 PM ZOOM MEETING

1. Call to Order  
Chair Becker called the meeting to order at 7:02. Those in attendance were Finance and Operations Committee members Mark Becker, Rose Bisson, Maryellen Donnelly and Neal Moon. Also in attendance was Superintendent Frank Olah and Principal Sam Roberson.
2. Audience for Staff and Citizens  
No comments or questions.
3. Review of June 21, 2021 Minutes  
There were no recommendations for change.
4. 5 Year Plan Topics Including Parking Lot, Playground, and Any Other Pressing Issues  
Mark will update the 5-year plan with what was accomplished prior to July 1. Parking lot paving has been deferred. One stand-alone playground unit (KidNetix Gateway) designed for 5-12 year olds is in transit to HES. Playground costs include stand-alone units, each priced between \$12,000 and \$18,000, site prep, installation and mulch. The sales person will mark off the installation area. Once square footage is known, cooperative purchasing of mulch for the HES unit and for the Town Hall infant-toddler playground will be investigated. Parent Sanitation will be working on the septic system the last week in July and will mark the septic system in any area where the playground would likely be installed.
5. Discussion of 2021/2022 Budget  
The Board of Education passed a budget on April 7 that was reduced by the Board of Finance and referendum by \$100,000. There is a known additional expense of \$10,000. Review of reductions made possible by new insurance information, recommendations for other reductions and possible shortfalls in items such as oil were discussed. The Board of Education will take up the budget at its July 28 meeting.
6. Audience for Staff & Citizens  
First Selectman Allan Cahill stated that CNR funds can be used for any failures of kitchen equipment.
7. Review Next Agenda Planning Including Date and Time  
The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 19 at 7 PM via Zoom.
8. Adjournment  
The meeting adjourned at 8:03.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maryellen Donnelly