

Hampton Board of Education
380 Main Street Hampton, CT 06247

June 22, 2022

7:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

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1. Call to Order: Chairman Bisson called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Present: Rose Bisson, Mark Becker, Juan Arriola, Maryellen Donnelly, David Halbach, Russ Moffitt, Diane Gagnon, Ann Gruenberg, Matthew Flegert. Staff and Others Present: Superintendent Frank Olah, Principal Sam Roberson, Director of Pupil Services Shelly McNulty, Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux, Dayna Arriola, Kathy Donahue, Kim Cintron.

2. Audience for Citizens and Staff: None

3. Correspondence to the Board: None

4. Approval of the Minutes from 5/23/22: Diane Gagnon moved to accept the minutes of the 6/22/22 meeting. Maryellen Donnelly seconded. Maryellen Donnelly withdrew her second. Juan Arriola seconded the motion.

The motion failed with the following vote:

No - Maryellen Donnelly, Russ Moffitt, David Halbach, Ann Gruenberg, Diane Gagnon,
Abstain - Juan Arriola, Matthew Flegert, Mark Becker

Rose Bisson moved to rescind the draft minutes of the 5/25/22 meeting sent to the Town Clerk. Ann Gruenberg seconded.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes - Maryellen Donnelly, Russ Moffitt, Mark Becker, David Halbach, Ann Gruenberg,
Diane Gagnon
No - Juan Arriola
Abstain - Matthew Flegert

Mark Becker moved to accept the minutes of the 5/22/22 Board of Education meeting as amended. Under Audience for Citizens, the comment made by Dayna McDermott Arriola, after the semicolon should read - commented on Dr. Olah's statements made during Nick Caruso's presentation. Ann Gruenberg seconded.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes - Maryellen Donnelly, Mark Becker, Ann Gruenberg, Matt Flegert, David Halbach,
No - Juan Arriola
Abstain - Russ Moffitt, Diane Gagnon

5. Superintendent's Report: Frank Olah commented on his written report and also discussed the emptying of the arsenic tank as well as the meeting of the oil consortium. If the consortium were to lock in now the cost would be \$4.80 a gallon; they will meet again later in the summer in hopes that the price comes down.

6. Principal's Report: Sam Roberson reported on her written report and discussed what she is currently working on. Juan Arriola inquired about how students are picked to attend summer school, Sam reported that summer school is open to all students.

7. Director of Pupil Services' Report: Shelly McNulty reported on a grant being used to fund summer programs. She reported that there seems to be low interest from students in Hampton in regards to summer programs and Shelly has been communicating with the Superintendent from Scotland to combine efforts in an attempt to provide more opportunities to Hampton students. Shelly also commented on the June 13 and 14 PD for staff.

8. Business Coordinator's Report: Sally Lehoux asked if there were questions on her written report. Maryellen Donnelly inquired about grant totals and expenditures. Sally will provide that information to board members before the next regular meeting. She also reports that there are still grant funds to spend.

9. Discussion concerning the hiring process for the superintendent: Rose Bisson reported that there are currently two applicants with a possible third on its way. She suggests that if we only have a total of three applicants that all are interviewed. The first round should consist of an interview committee made up of at minimum: a parent, BOE member, teacher, paraprofessional, and school nurse. The second round of interviews will be held at a BOE meeting in executive session, scheduled for July 5th at 5 p.m.

10. Committee and Liaison reports:

Communications: Nothing to report.

Finance and Operations: Mark Becker reported that the committee met June 21. He added that the driveway paving should be completed next week. The committee is investigating the use of heat/AC splits to reduce oil costs.

Policies: Ann Gruenberg reported that the committee will meet over the summer.

Ad-Hoc Job description Sub-Committee - Executive Assistant: It is reported that this committee will meet on July 7th.

Ad-Hoc Minority Recruitment and Retention Sub-Committee: It is reported that this committee will meet on July 5th at 1 p.m.

Ad-Hoc Superintendent's Evaluation Sub-Committee: Nothing to report.

CABE: Ann Gruenberg reported that work continues at CABE on all fronts.

EastConn: Maryellen Donnelly reported that there was a meeting last night, and that they hope to hire an Executive Director by July 1.

Non-BoE meeting of Hampton/Scotland discussions: Rose Bisson reported that the committee will wrap things up after a few more meetings and then decide when and how to present the information to the towns.

11. Additions to the Agenda: None

12. Next agenda planning: May 10th minutes

13. Audience for Citizens and Staff: Dayna Arriola commented on Superintendent Frank Olah's behavior. Ann Gruenberg commented on the meeting discussion. Kathy Donahue inquired about

updates to the intercom system and professional development. Mark Becker commented on his wife's commitment to and support of HES.

14. Adjournment: Russ Moffitt motioned to adjourn at 8:31 p.m. Seconded by Diane Gagnon.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Flegert

This is a draft version of the Minutes until approved by the Board of Education.