



Hampton Board of Education
380 Main Street
Hampton, CT 06247

May 24, 2023
7:00 pm

HES Library

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chair Rose Bisson called to order at 7:01pm. Present: Chair Rose Bisson, Juan Arriola, Mark Becker, John Russell, Matthew Flegert, David Halbach, Diane Gagnon, Maryellen Donnelly. Staff and Others Present: First Selectman Allan Cahill, Superintendent Dr. Samantha Sarli, Principal Sam Roberson, Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux, and others. Not present: Dennis Timberman

2. Audience for Citizens and Staff

First Selectman Allan Cahill mentioned that the flag has not been up for a few days and that it should be put up as Memorial Day is approaching.

3. Correspondence to the Board

Chair Rose Bisson shared Linda Sanchini's letter of resignation with her last day being June 30, 2023. She also shared Principal Sam Roberson's letter of resignation with her last day being June 30, 2023 as well. The Board showed gratitude towards both and thanked them for their work over the years they have been with Hampton Elementary School and wished them well.

4. Discussion and Action on Faculty Resignations

Mark Becker motioned to accept Linda Sanchini's letter of resignation with appreciation of her hard work and dedication, Maryellen Donnelly seconded. Voting Yes: Juan Arriola, Mark Becker, John Russell, David Halbach, Maryellen Donnelly, Matthew Flegert. Voting No: Diane Gagnon. Motion carried.

Matthew Flegert motioned to accept Principal Sam Roberson's letter of resignation with appreciation of her hard work and dedication, David Halbach seconded. Voting Yes: Juan Arriola, Mark Becker, John Russell, David Halbach, Maryellen Donnelly, Matthew Flegert. Voting No: Diane Gagnon. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the Minutes from 4/26/23

Maryellen Donnelly motioned to approve the minutes from 04/26/2023, Mark Becker seconded. Voting Yes: John Russell, Mark Becker, David Halbach, Maryellen Donnelly. Voting No: Juan Arriola. Abstention: Diane Gagnon, Matthew Flegert. Motion carried.

6. Superintendent's Report

1. Executive Session Anticipated for the Purpose of Superintendent Goals and Progress.

Mark Becker motioned to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Superintendent Goals and Progress, and invited Superintendent Dr. Samantha Sarli and First Selectman Allan Cahill, Matthew Flegert seconded. Voting Yes: John Russell, Mark Becker, Matthew Flegert, David Halbach, Maryellen Donnelly, Diane Gagnon. Abstention: Juan Arriola. Executive Session entered at 7:11 pm.

Entered public session at 7:39 pm.

Superintendent Dr. Samantha Sarli shared the process for the upcoming interviews for the principal position. She answered questions and the Board discussed further details.



7. **Principal's Report**

Principal Sam Roberson reported on the Arbor Day celebration and the great attendance and students' performances. As well as the success of the PTO Touch a Truck event and thanked everybody who participated. Sam Roberson thanked Mrs Lark Peck for all her work in getting the spring festival, concerts and plays organized. She also thanked First Selectman Allan Cahill for coming to the school when there was a power outage and his support with the generator. The school is getting ready for Field Day on June 1st. The PTO has been tie-dying the shirts and organizing the event together with Ms. Kyra Garrison and all other parties involved. Principal Sam Roberson shared the upcoming Class Night for the 6th Graders, as well as the social emotional assembly where the students are being recognized for their at-home crafts projects. Furthermore, she mentioned how everybody is getting ready for the Memorial Day Parade and the crafts projects Ms. Linda Sanchini and the students have been working on.

8. **Business Coordinator's Report**

Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux reported on the Budget vs Actual report and elaborated on the overall budget spending.

9. **Discussion and Possible Action of Policy Numbers 5113.2, 5141.4, and 5145.511**

Maryellen Donnelly motioned to approve Policy Numbers 5113.2, 5141.4 and 5145.511, Matthew Flegert seconded. Voting Yes: John Russell, Mark Becker, David Halbach, Maryellen Donnelly, Diane Gagnon. Voting No: Juan Arriola. Motion carried.

10. **Committee and Liaison reports**

1. **Communications** - did not meet
2. **Finance and Operations** - did not meet but the committee received quotes and are working through the Mini Split program. Mark Becker pointed out that he appreciates all of Maryellen's hard work in this process.
3. **Policies** - did not meet
4. **Ad-Hoc Superintendent Evaluation Committee** - Agenda point number 6 Superintendent's report presentation was presented at the Ad-Hoc Superintendent Evaluation Committee Meeting that took place on May 24, 2023.
5. **EastConn** - EastConn met on May 23, 2023. EastConn sent out letters to the governor and legislators to request their support of passing HB 5003, which, if fully funded, Hampton would not have to pay public school tuition.

11. **Additions to the Agenda**

None

12. **Next Agenda Planning**

None

13. **Audience for Citizens and Staff**

Linda Sanchini shared details about how the upcoming Harmony Assembly is a program to get students more connected, with the Board.

14. **Adjournment**

Diane Gagnon motioned to adjourn at 8:20 pm, Juan Arriola seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ramona Anderson

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