

## HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Hudson School Board Meeting May 22, 2006 Accepted Minutes

Present: Mr. David Alukonis, Chairman  
Mr. Lars Christiansen  
Mr. David Bouchard  
Mr. Richard Nolan  
Mr. Randy Bell, Superintendent  
Mr. Normand Sanborn, Business Administrator  
Dr. Irene Sousa, Director of Special Services  
Ms. Mary Ellen Ormond, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum  
Brandon Mansur, Student Rep.

A. **Call to Order:** Mr. David Alukonis, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 pm. This meeting was postponed from May 12, 2006 due to the floods.

B. **Public Input**  
Leo Benard, 3 Bungalow Ave, Hudson  
He was inquiring whether it would be possible to make the entrance by the farm a one way. The crossing guards are having a hard time controlling the traffic incoming and out. He felt it was a safety matter.

This was referred to the Superintendent as a safety matter and will investigate the situation.

C. **Requests of the Board**

**Guidance Trip**

Ms. Ormond requested two counselors be allowed to attend the national conference in Chicago, Illinois on June 24 through June 27. One elementary and one from the High School. No one from the middle school was available to go.

There is a voucher from Southwest Airlines that will cover the transportation costs, approximate cost will be \$3500. The Board requested a trip report be filed.

***Mr. Nolan moved to approve the trip request to Chicago, Illinois on June 24-27 for two guidance councilors at an approximate cost of \$3500, providing there is a trip report by Mr. Hughen at a later school Board meeting, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0***

**National Educational Computing Conference**

Mr. Bell requested permission to attend the 2006 National Educational Computing Conference in San Diego on July 5-7.

Technology will be discussed at this conference.

*Mr. Nolan moved to approve the travel request to attend the National Educational Conference July 5-7, second by Mr. Bouchard. Motion passes 4-0.*

**D. Presentations to the Board**

There were no Presentations to the Board.

**E. Report's to the Board**

Mr. Bell addressed the Board. He discussed whether or not to apply for a waiver for the lost school day due to the floods. This was discussed at length. After the discussion there was no motion to apply for the waiver which means we will go to school until June 20. Mr. Bell will send notification to parents and a memo to teachers.

Attended the Economic conference at Alvirne on May 13. Tours were given of the vocational center by students. Residents are picking up the largest part of the tax base, we are losing industrial base, business and commercial property taxes have gone down. Conference was well done, hope this will become a yearly event.

Chili Fest is scheduled for June 4 (Friends of Music) this was approved by Mr. Bell. It was suggested that the Board create a consent calendar for yearly events.

Paul Ezen would like to meet with the school Board members. It was decided each member would meet with him individually, and Mr. Bell will forward e-mail to him.

Ms. Ormond addressed the Board regarding Adequate Yearly Progress.

The test results were released today. When you look at the report, over all it would appear that all schools met AYP. All schools scored at or above state recommended score, although the index score for special education was below the state score. Ms. Ormond stated that they are challenging the scores at the Middle School. The Board asked if they could see the specification document. Ms. Ormond will get this document for the Board.

It would be helpful to have a single test taken consistently and chart the results; this would give us a better idea of how the district is going.

The Board agreed that these results should be put into terms parents would understand, so all the public could get behind it.

There will be more information on this at another meeting.

**F. Committee Report**

**Technology Committee Report**

Mr. Nolan reviewed the presentation notes from the last meeting, then went over new ideas. The initial thing that is needed is a business agreement between the school district and the town, then form a committee. This may give both groups purchase power with a reduced cost.

What do we want the classroom to look like? Have a replacement plan – 1,3,5,10 years. How will the classroom look in 1,3,5,10 years, how should we replace our existing equipment? The Board discussed purchasing top of the line equipment for the high school to run more complicated programs, and as the equipment is replaced it can be redistributed to the other schools. They also discussed trying to combine IT for school and town.

Mr. Bell suggested trying to set up a joint meeting. Mr. Mansur suggested adding a student rep as part of the committee.

The Board agreed to move forward with this committee. Mr. Nolan and Ms. Ormond will meet to summarize what the Board discussed tonight.

- 1) Mr. Bell will set up a time to meet with the Board of selectman, town manager.
- 2) Where do we want to be? Replacement issues.
- 3) Get an understanding from both sides what each group would like to accomplish.

**G. Correspondence**

Intent to Retire Letter

Sharon Eldridge – for information only.

Resignation letter – Amanda Brouse

***Mr. Nolan moved to accept the resignation of Amanda Brouse, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.***

Resignation Letter – Joanne Montenero

***Mr. Christiansen moved to accept the resignation of Joanne Montenero with deep appreciation for many years of service, second by Mr. Nolan. Motion passes 4-0.***

Resignation Letter – Christine Neville

***Mr. Bouchard moved to accept the resignation of Christine Neville, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.***

Letter from NHIAA Sportsmanship Committee no action needed.

Youth Risk Behavior Survey for information only.

Life Safety/Fire Prevention Inspections Response to all Hudson Schools

For information only, actions taken on recent inspections.

March 2006 School Resource Officer Report for information only.

Vo-Tech as a door to college for information only.

Quick recess 8:30 to 8:40

Resignation – Randi Beals

***Mr. Nolan moved to accept the resignation of Randi Beals, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.***

Resignation – Kevin Beals

*Mr. Bouchard moved to accept the resignation of Kevin Beals second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.*

Resignation – Mary Luckers

Deferred to Non-Public session.

**H. Recommended Action**

1. Business Affairs - Minutes - Recommended Action:

April 17, 2006 draft minutes

This item was deferred.

2. Manifests - Recommended Action:

Manifests are available to be signed.

3. Budget Transfers (1<sup>st</sup> reading) #31-#35

#31-06 - \$6736.27

#32-06 - \$6861.38

#33-06 - \$13,199.52

#34-06 - \$19,599.08

#35-06 - \$8600

*Mr. Nolan moved to waive second reading and approve the above budget transfers, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.*

Brief recess 8:45-8:47 (technical problems).

4. Financial Statement (for information only)

The financial statement was reviewed by Mr. Sanborn.

The Board requested to include monthly transfers and YTD transfers at the school Board level, to include SB# and dollar amount.

Add a column to object summary report, How well are we doing by line item, what percent of the budget. Mr. Nolan will bring this to the financial committee to work on.

**I. Old Business**

Special Education Reorganization

The Board reviewed this document which was received tonight.

Priority 3-move 2 SPED dept head positions to Assistant Principal position.

Go through the interview process, would need a job name and job description.

Priority 6 Director of Special Services would be responsible to out of district placements from dept. heads. Part IIB, IIC, III are long range plans.

Mr. Nolan would like as much of this in place by September first. Must meet about this soon. Scheduled May 25 at 6:30-8:30 to work on this. Will be held here or at the SAU with a camera so it can be televised. Will schedule two more dates in early June. Please review this document and be ready for the meeting.

Special Education Graduate Study

The Board reviewed this questionnaire. This survey will be done during school hours. The Board feels this should be part of the transition coordinators responsibilities, to evaluate and get data.

Vocational Study

Where are we with this study? Are there any notes or minutes, these should be available.

**J. New Business**

Awarding FY-2007 Vendor Contracts

a. Driver Education Contract

*Mr. Bouchard moved to award Granite State Driving School a contract to provide driver education at Alvirne High School for FY2007, with a possibility of a two one-year extensions of the contract second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.*

b. Art Supplies Contract

*Mr. Nolan moved to authorize the District Administration to award Cascade School Supplies a contract to provide art supplies for the fiscal year 2007 in accordance with policy 6.1(w). The anticipated expenditure amount with Cascade School Supplies is \$8319 second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.*

*Mr. Nolan moved to authorize the District Administration to award School Specialty Inc. a contract to provide art supplies for the fiscal year 2007 in accordance with policy 6.1(w). The anticipated expenditure amount with School Specialty Inc is \$8399, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.*

*Mr. Nolan moved to authorize the District Administration to award Henry S. Wolkins Company a contract to provide art supplies for the fiscal year 2007 in accordance with policy 6.1(w). The anticipated expenditure amount with Henry S. Wolkins Company is \$13,575 second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0.*

RFP for Alvirne Master Plan – for your review.

RFP for Benefits Broker – for your review.

This is good business practice to provide a chance for a new broker to take over. Current contractor must fulfill the obligation of this RFP as well. Under 1.6 don't want it to be only school district references, open it up to "5 accounts currently served". This will come back to next meeting.

**K. Board Member Comments:**

Mr. Mansur (read by Mr. Bouchard) The next meeting will be my last. I will be introducing the new school rep – Laura Gould (junior next year). The AHS Key Club and National Honor Society held the Senior Prom.

Mr. Bouchard - No comments.

Mr. Nolan - Went to Holyoke on Saturday, 2400 students competed, 3 groups. All of our 3 groups that competed won first place. AHS won overall first place, Best vocalist, Best Accompaniment. The kids were magnificent. After the competition the kids went to Six Flags.

Mr. Christiansen- No comments

Mr. Alukonis- Thanks for all your thoughts over the past two weeks, School Board, Board of Selectman, this is a wonderful community. A special thanks to Kathleen Mclean.

**L. Non-Public Session:**

***Mr. Bouchard moved to enter Non-Public session at 10:15 pm under RSA91-A:3II, (a),( b),( c) second by Mr. Christiansen.***

***Chairman called for a roll call vote.***

***Mr. Christiansen-yes, Mr. Nolan-yes, Mr. Bouchard-yes, Mr. Alukonis-no.***

***Motion passes 3-1 enter non-public at 10:15.***

**Mr. Bouchard moved and Mr. Nolan seconded to accept the resignation of Mary Luckers. Motion passes 4-0.**

**Mr. Nolan moved to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Nancy Green as Media Specialist at Hills Garrison School, and elect Nancy Green at a salary of \$43,001; seconded by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 4-0**

**Mr. Nolan moved to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Svetlana Kerimov as French Teacher at Alvirne High School, and elect Svetlana Kerimov at a salary of \$55,583; seconded by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 3-1**

**Mr. Christiansen moved to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Gilbert Lachance as Foreign Language Department Head at Alvirne High School, and elect Gilbert Lachance at a salary of \$59,518; seconded by Mr. Nolan. Motion passes 3-1**

**Mr. Christiansen moved to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Amanda Samaha as Guidance Counselor at Alvirne High School, and elect Amanda Samaha at a salary of \$51,940; seconded by Mr. Nolan. Motion passes 4-0**

**Mr. Nolan moved to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Kyle Tave as Physical Education Teacher at Nottingham West School, and elect Kyle Tave at a salary of \$33,791; seconded by Mr. Bouchard. Motion passes 4-0.**

**Mr. Nolan moved and Mr. Bouchard seconded, to exit Non-Public Session and to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Christiansen – yes; Mr. Nolan – yes; Mr. Bouchard – yes; Mr. Alukonis – yes.**

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Public Session 6:30

**M. Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dotty Murray