

**HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Hudson School Board Meeting**  
**March 3, 2008**  
**Accepted Minutes**

Present: Mr. David Alukonis, Chairman  
Mr. Lars Christiansen  
Mr. Richard Nolan  
Mr. Gary Rodgers  
Mrs. Brenda Levesque  
Mr. Randy Bell, Superintendent  
Mr. Normand Sanborn, Business Administrator  
Ms. Laura Gould, 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.

B. **Presentations to the Board**  
**AHS Competencies** – Mark MacLean  
This item was deferred.

**Aramark – Quarterly Joint Review**

John Pratte (facilities) updated the Board.

Reviewed staffing updates. Some changes have been made due to Keith Pearce's illness. He will be out indefinitely. He has been replaced temporarily by Bill Treadwell.

Currently working on setting schedules, tasks and goals with operating standards for each custodian.

Working on training and retraining of custodians. Have introduced new equipment, now using micro fiber instead of a mop and bucket.

Facilities have an ongoing meeting schedule set with Honeywell which is going well.

Still waiting on quotes for work to be done on the Hills House. Hope to start in the spring.

An express van has been purchased for the electricians, as well as a plow truck.

In-house staff have installed access doors to all interior heating coils.

Introducing a new web-based computerized work order system.

The maintenance building has been approved by the school Board for the second year; it will be up for vote in March.

Overtime – due to snow removal. Any overtime that is related to Honeywell will be paid back to the district by Honeywell.

**AppliTrack – Kate Minichiello (HR)**

Kate addressed the Board regarding this software. It will help with the application process, and will eliminate much of the paper use in the process. This is a web-base software package where applicants can apply right on-line and can upload transcripts,

letters of recommendations etc. Principals will also be able to access parts of this software, showing them potential applicants for any job positions open in their school. The cost of this software package is \$2,700 annually (which includes training sessions), and has no other fees. This package is under \$5,000, doesn't need Board approval, and has been purchased.

*Brief Recess 7:28-7:33 pm*

**C. Public Input**

Bob Haffner (State Rep), 1 St. John Street, Hudson

Update on HB1522-farm animals in their enclosure will not touch any side, will be able to turn sit, or stand. This bill was written in California and will hopefully fail. A tour of the Tech Center is scheduled for May 6 beginning with breakfast at Checkers. An overview of the Tech Center programs will be given.

**D. Requests of the Board**

There were no requests of the Board.

**E. Reports to the Board**

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Bell addressed the Board.

The annual teacher job fair is scheduled for March 15 at AHS

Next week the Board will start staff reviews, at SAU, 9am.

All Board members received a copy of the annual report as well as a sample ballot.

Legislative Highlights: Adequacy Committee Legislation would increase Hudson's state aid by \$800,000. Little chance of passage.

Evergreen Clause – if teacher contracts are not renewed, teachers will still be entitled to their step increases. This clause will make it very difficult with negotiations, not in the best interest of the district, lose local control.

**F. Committee Reports**

There were no committee reports.

**G. Correspondence**

LOA Request- Jennifer Tripp

*Mr. Christiansen moved to approve the LOA request to Jennifer Tripp second by Mrs. Levesque. Motion passes 5-0.*

Retirement Letter – Jean Pardee

*Mr. Nolan moved to accept the letter of retirement for Jean Pardee, second by Mr. Rodgers. Motion passes 5-0.*

Letter of Resignation – Jaclyn Hookway

*Mr. Rodgers moved to accept the letter of resignation for Jaclyn Hookway, second by Mrs. Levesque. Motion passes 5-0.*

Enrollments for February – for information only.

Elementary Class Sizes for February –for information only.

School reports for February- for information only.

Mr. Alukonis requested stats on parent/teacher conferences.

The Board requested a breakdown on the 5year follow-up NE Association of Schools and Colleges report.

Mr. Christiansen requested information be sent to surrounding schools regarding JROTC, so we can meet out minimum numbers. The original numbers were incorrect we are currently only three students short, unlike what we were originally told.

#### **H. Recommended Action**

1. Business Affairs – Minutes – Recommended Action:

Draft minutes – February 18, 2008

*Mr. Rodgers moved to accept the draft minutes with one change -*

*“Mr. Rodgers was not present”, not late to the meeting as stated, Second by Mr. Nolan. Motion passes 5-0.*

2. Manifests - Recommended Action:

Manifests are available to be signed.

#### **I. Old Business**

Budget Transfers – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading

#23-08 \$11,555

#24-08 \$18,582

#25-08 \$ 6,500

#26-08 \$6,525

*Mr. Nolan moved to approve the above budget transfers as presented, second by Mr. Rodgers, from memo dated February 4, 2008. Motion passes 5-0.*

Alvirne OnStage Drama Parent Group

*Mr. Nolan moved to recognize Alvirne High School’s OnStage Drama Parent Group as a volunteer organization of the Hudson School District pending receipt of documentation from the Office of Charitable Trust or documentation from the Internal Revenue Services of status as a 501-C3 non-profit organization second by Mrs. Levesque. Motion passes 5-0.*

#### **J. New Business**

BU/Corporate Education Center will hold a full day training on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **K. Board Member Comments:**

Mr. Rodgers – No comments

Mr. Christiansen – No comments

Mr. Nolan – Please Vote

Mrs. Levesque – No comments

Ms. Gould – No comments

Mr. Alukonis – Annual report is available at all schools, Town Hall, Library or can be downloaded off HudsonNHSchools.org web-site.

**L. Non-Public Session:**

*Mr. Christian moved to enter Non-Public session at 7:55 pm under RSA91-A: 3I (A) (C) staff/student welfare, salary issue second by Mrs. Levesque. Chairman called for a roll call vote.*

*Mr. Christiansen- yes, Mr. Rodgers yes, Mr. Nolan-yes, Mrs. Levesque-yes, Mr. Alukonis-no. Motion passes 4-1.*

The School Board discussed issues related to staff compensation and staff organization. No decisions were made.

The Board also discussed a personnel issue and made a decision.

*Mr. Nolan moved, and Mr. Christiansen seconded to seal this decision. The motion was adopted 4-1 with Mr. Alukonis opposed.*

*Mr. Rodgers moved, and Mr. Nolan seconded to exit the Non-Public Session and adjourn the meeting.*

*Mr. Christiansen-yes, Mrs. Levesque-yes, Mr. Nolan-yes, Mr. Rodgers-yes, Mr. Alukonis-yes.*

**M. Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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