

HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Hudson School Board Meeting

March 19, 2012

Approved Minutes

Present Mr. Lee Lavoie, Chairman
 Mrs. Laura Bisson, Vice Chair
 Mrs. Patty Langlais
 Mr. Lars Christiansen
 Dr. Amy Sousa
 Mr. Randy Bell, Superintendent
 Ms. Mary Ellen Ormond, Associate Superintendent
 Ms. Karen Burnell, Business Administrator

- A. **Call to Order:** Superintendent Bell, called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance at 6: 30 pm. Organizational Meeting for the Hudson School Board (regular meeting following elections).

Mr. Paul Interbitzen, Moderator proceeded with the swearing in of Laura Bisson, elected for a three year term.

Superintendent presiding over Board Chair elections.

Opened the floor for Chair nominations –

Mr. Christiansen nominated Mr. Lavoie as Chair, second by Mrs. Bisson.

Closed nominations

Motion passes 4-0-1 (Lavoie abstained). Mr. Lavoie is elected School Board Chair.

Brief recess 6:35-6:37

Mr. Lavoie is now presiding over the meeting.

Election of Vice Chair

Opened the floor for Vice Chair nominations

Mrs. Langlais nominated Mrs. Bisson as Vice Chair, second by

Mr. Christiansen.

Closed Nominations

Motion passes 4-0-1 (Bisson abstained). Mrs. Bisson is elected School Board Vice-Chair.

- B. **Public Input**

There was no public input.

C. Requests of the Board

DECA International Career Development Conference (ICDC) Attendance Request.

Ms. Ormond addressed the board.

Three students have qualified to attend this National Conference which will be held in Salt Lake City on April 28 through May 2. The students will be representing New Hampshire and there will be no cost to the district. There is some money allocated for this event by the Trustees.

Dr. Amy Sousa moved to approve three students to attend the ICDC conference April 28 – May 2, in Salt Lake City at no cost to the district, (Request the group address the board upon their return) second by Mrs. Langlais. Motion passes 5-0.

D. Presentations to the Board

There were no presentations to the Board.

E. Reports to the Board

Superintendent's Report

Elections are over; the next few months will be very busy.

Got an e-mail from Kevin Burns regarding 4:30 am calls, hopeful that there will be no more snow.

Congrats to Lee and Roger Coutu and the Mal's Pals fundraiser. Event went very well, outstanding corn beef.

Associate Superintendent's Report

Ms. Ormond addressed the board.

Congrats to Laura on your re-election.

Missed the last meeting because she was vice chair in NEASC committee for Chelmsford.

Alvirne's self evaluation is upcoming. The School Board's role is very important and is glad to be working in Hudson.

Today (Monday) held interviews for the Special Education Director's position from 8-3:30. Next week the candidates will be interviewed by principals and Superintendent. Candidate to the school board by first week of April.

Business Administrator

Karen Burnell addressed the board.

Congrats to Laura.

Hills Garrison's phone system is up and working, voice mail will be working by end of day Wednesday.

F. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

G. Correspondence

School Reports

For information only.

Dr. Amy Sousa asked about the SRO report – these were “sexting” issues involving students not staff. Requested to see the police reports on these cases.

Mr. Bell will get those reports.

Mrs. Bisson advised the board that there will be a Facebook/internet safety information night at the Middle School soon.

School Resource Officer Reports

For information.

H. Recommended Action

1. Manifests- Recommended Action:
Manifests are available to be signed. Make necessary corrections.
2. Business Affairs - Draft Minutes – Recommended Action:
Make necessary correction and approve.

2-20-12 draft minutes

Mrs. Langlais moved to approve the draft minutes of February 20, 2012 as presented, second by Mrs. Bisson. Motion passes 5-0.

2-27-12 draft minutes

Mrs. Langlais moved to approve the draft minutes of February 27, 2012 as presented, second by Mrs. Bisson. Motion passes 5-0.

3-5-12 draft minutes

Mrs. Langlais moved to approve the draft minutes of March 5, 2012 as presented, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 5-0.

3-12-12 draft minutes

Mrs. Langlais moved to approve the draft minutes of March 12, 2012 as presented, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 5-0.

3. Financial Report
Karen Burnell addressed the board.
The projected fund balance is reduced from \$109,000 to \$26,000 - this includes the separation payments for the superintendent as well as the Director of Special Services, and all separation payments for retiring staff. Any extra money will be used to offset attrition. The district will most likely see savings from new hires. Money may also be used to complete smaller items which have been budgeted for in the upcoming budget.

I. Old Business

Confirmation of Emergency Telephone Pole Relative to Hills Garrison Telephone System.

Mr. Bell addressed the board.

There was a phone emergency two or three weeks ago at Hills Garrison. The district had difficulty locating and shipping the equipment to Hudson. The board decided to change the telephone system (School board members were polled and all were in agreement to change the system).

That vote to be confirmed tonight.

Mrs. Bisson moved to change the telephone system, second by Mrs. Langlais. Motion passes 5-0.

Total cost of changing the phone system at Hills Garrison was \$32,700.

J. New Business

Policy 7.2(c) Community Use of School Facilities (2nd reading)

Ms. Ormond advised that the policy will be up on the district web-site. All fees will begin in September.

The school board discussed how fees applied to non-profits holding events that make a profit (like the upcoming circus or the midway at Old Home Days).

Mrs. Langlais discussed a group (Destination Imagination) that recently used our schools and left the school in an unacceptable condition. They were not charged a usage fee and it was not a group that Hudson was part of. Mr. Bell allowed the group to use our school because he felt it may create some interest in the event.

Dr. Amy Sousa approved Policy 7.2 (c) as presented, second by Mrs. Langlais. Motion passes 5-0.

Hudson Youth Baseball Contract Addendum

Jason addressed the board regarding the field at Hills Garrison School.

Thanked the school board for allowing them to use the field, which they upgraded in 2010. Played their first season on the field last spring and made it all the way to the Cal Ripken World Series.

Requests of the Board:

- Would like to install new **dugouts**, have contacted John Conrad to build them.

Talked about park graffiti.

- **Flag Pole** installation, flag has been donated by the VFW will be placed by the shed/concession stand and will only fly on game days.

- **Batting Cage** – would be installed in right field area will be 70 feet long by 14 feet wide and will be removable. It will be a safe area for batting practice.

- **Electricity** installation to the shed/concession stand

Mrs. Bisson moved to approve all of the presented field improvements at no cost to the district, second by Mrs. Langlais. Motion passes 5-0.

Also discussed: **portable toilets** – cleaned and emptied once a week, accessible all the time; and the **two trailers** which are nearby a draw for kids to play on.

Will look into why they are not being stored in the maintenance building.

Extracurricular Nominations

Mr. Bell addressed the board. Nominations for Spring Athletics.
Still looking for a girl's varsity tennis coach.

Mrs. Langlais moved to approve the extra curricular nominations for Spring Athletics, second by Mrs. Bisson. Motion passes 5-0.

2012-2013 HSB Meeting Schedule (draft)

Schedule is the same: first and third Monday's of each month.

Current HSB Committee Assignments (to be updated)

The board members discussed their preferences.

The Chair requested the board members to submit an e-mail with their preferences.

Budget Transfers SB#45 and SB#46

SB#45

Hills Garrison Phone system at a cost of \$33,000

Mrs. Bisson moved to approve SB#45 as presented, second by Mr. Christiansen (Motion amended to include:) and waive second reading. Motion passes 5-0.

SB#46

Salary to health insurance plan change at a cost of \$13,559.

First reading.

Teacher Nomination

Jaelyn Madden

Currently Jaelyn is a long-term sub

Mrs. Langlais moved to approve Jaelyn Madden, French/Spanish teacher at HMS at a salary of \$40,703, second by Mr. Christiansen. Motion passes 5-0.

Mr. Bell advised the board he would like Jaelyn to come before the board so she could share some of her experience with technology in the classroom.

K. **Board Member Comments:**

Mr. Christiansen- SERESC Services discussion

Dr. Amy Sousa- Reminder look at SAU81 website for information regarding search process. Interviews begin Wednesday.

Mrs. Langlais – Congrats to all of the new babies our teachers had recently.

Mrs. Bisson- Thanks to the voters. Looking forward to the next three years.

Great job Mal's Pals.

Mr. Lavoie – Roast with Roger Coutu went well. Hard to be politically correct and funny at the same time. Fun event. Approximately \$2,500 raised.

Congrats to Laura on her re-election.

L. Non-Public Session:

Mrs. Bisson moved to enter Non-Public session at 8:06 pm under RSA 91-A:3 II (ABC) second by Mrs. Langlais. Chairman called for a roll call vote.

Mr. Christiansen-yes, Dr. Amy Sousa-yes, Mrs. Langlais-yes, Mrs. Bisson-yes, Mr. Lavoie-yes. Motion passes 5-0

The board entered non-public at 8:06

The board approved a parent request to allow their child to complete the school year in Hudson.

The board approved the rescindment of a retirement request by James McEachern.

Mrs. Langlais moved to exit non-public session, second by Mrs. Bisson. Mr. Christiansen, yes; Dr. Amy Sousa, yes; Mrs. Langlais, yes; Mr. Lavoie, yes. The board exited non-public session at 8:30 pm.

M. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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