

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Special meeting - Board of Education
September 28, 2009

Members present: K. Kaszyca, C. Aberasturi, N. Kessel, E. Jankowski, C. Sinelli, T. Dumond, E. McPherson-Brown (arrived 7:00 p.m.)
Members absent: None
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, S. VanEpps, L. Mayes, G. Waldrup, M. Otis, C. Hughes, K. Simpson, B. Cain
Guests: J. Meo, M. Meo, N. Smith, M. Hutchinson, R. Trost, B. Krueger, D. Krueger, N. Spranger, J. Walker, D. Madden, R. Schlosser, P. Twigg, S. Lorenzo

President Kaszyca called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Hartland Educational Support Service Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Sinelli, supported by Dumond that the agenda for the September 28, 2009 special meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 6-0.

9/14 MINUTES
APPROVED

Motion by Dumond, supported by Jankowski that the minutes of the September 14, 2009 regular meeting and closed session be approved. Motion carried 6-0

BOARD
INTERVIEWS

The Board began interviewing candidates for Eileen Jankowski's Board seat, which will be vacated as of September 30, 2009. Four candidates were interviewed in the order in which their resumes were received: Michelle Hutchinson, Rick Trost, Natalie Smith and John Meo. At the October 12, 2009 regular meeting the Board will discuss the interviews and take action to appoint a replacement for Ms. Jankowski. (Ms. McPherson-Brown arrived during the interviews - 7:00 p.m.)

CALL TO PUBLIC

There was no response to the Call to the Public.

SUPT. REPORT

Superintendent Sifferman noted that contact information for our local representatives had been distributed to each Board member. She urged them to contact these representatives immediately regarding the proposed \$218 reduction per pupil in state aid. At the time the district was required to adopt its budget, June 30, the state was proposing a \$110 reduction, which was figured into the district's budget figures with the assumption that some fund balance would be used to bridge the gap. A \$218 reduction would require an additional \$1.2 million from the district's reserves, leaving very little for the coming years, which are projected to be even more difficult. Mr. Kaszyca asked how the proposed 45% cut to ISD funding would affect the district. Ms. Sifferman noted that several of the district's programs, including Data Director, ICT and Reading Apprenticeship, are subsidized with money from LESA. Ms. Sifferman then introduced Frank Konkel, who is the new reporter for the *Press & Argus* for the district.

TRIBUTE -
JANKOWSKI

Superintendent Sifferman honored Eileen Jankowski for her nine years of service to the Board of Education, as well as her many other years of service to the district as a whole. Ms. Sifferman noted that Hartland Schools is where it is today because of Ms. Jankowski's contributions. Ms. Jankowski was presented with an engraved clocked documenting her years on the Board. (The Board broke here to have cake in her honor - 7:20 p.m.)

BREAK - 7:20 P.M.

9/28/09 AGENDA
APPROVED

The Board reconvened at 7:35 and Ms. Sifferman introduced Doug

Madden from Barton Malow, who updated the Board on the status of the 2006 Renovation Bond project. Mr. Madden noted that the bulk of the final phase of work centered on the HESSC with the installation of carpeting, an emergency generator, seven new rooftop HVAC units, renovation of some toilet rooms, the gymnastics room, refinishing the gym floor and extensive parking lot resurfacing. Outdoor storage units were also installed at Village, Round and Lakes; new EFS was installed in the Village courtyard; work at the high school included new security doors, installation of steps for the staff parking lot and lighting for the Ore Creek bridge. The major remaining item is a district-wide energy management system that would enable the maintenance department to monitor and maintain each building's energy systems from an offsite location.

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BOND UPDATE

BOARD REPORTS

Ms. Kessel honored Ms. Jankowski for her commitment to the Board and the district's students and for always serving with grace and dignity. Mr. Kaszyca congratulated the varsity football team for their victory over Milford last Friday. Ms. Jankowski thanked everyone for their kind words and gifts. She noted that it has been a privilege to serve and she will miss the people.

CL POLICY
APPROVED

Motion by Jankowski, supported by Kessel that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the policy concerning religious advertising in *Community Life* as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

POLICY
UPDATED
APPROVED

Motion by Kessel, supported by McPherson-Brown that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopts the updates to policies 2623, 3430.01, 4430.01, 5460, 6144, 7217, 8310, 8330, and 8470 as presented and discussed. Motion carried 7-0.

2010 BOND
ISSUE
APPROVED

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Building & Site Committee, authorizes the administration to move forward with the 2010 Renovation Bond Issue ballot initiative for the February 2010 election. Motion carried 7-0.

AMEND BARTON
MALOW
CONTRACT

Motion by Kessel, supported by Jankowski that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, authorizes the administration to amend the 2006 Bond Barton Malow contract as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION:
CE CHILDCARE
HANDBOOK

The Board discussed the Community Education Childcare Parent/Student Handbook. Ms. Sifferman noted that this handbook had not come before the Board before, but should, as Community Education is a subsidiary of the district. It will come before the Board for action at the October 12, 2009 regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie McPherson-Brown
Secretary
RECONVENE -
7:35 P.M.

Paula Waters
Recording Secretary