

Hartland Consolidated Schools  
Regular Meeting - Board of Education  
March 8, 2010

Members present: T. Dumond, K. Kaszyca, R. Perkins, E. McPherson-Brown, C. Sinelli, M. Hutchinson  
Members absent: C. Aberasturi  
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, L. Mayes, S. VanEpps, S. Bacon, B. Cain, C. Hughes, G. Waldrup, M. Otis  
Guests: J. York, T. Yambrosic, K. LaValley, J. Meier, L. Meier, R. Wright, S. Enderle, M. Zielinski, M. Birgy, L. DePoy, K. Lis, K. Gordon, J. Bittner, M. Madden, P. Harrison, S. Simmer, N. Spranger

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 March 8, 2010 regular meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 6-0. 3/8/10 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Dumond, supported by Hutchinson that the minutes of the February 24, 2010 special meeting and closed session be approved. Motion carried 6-0. 2/24 MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Jackie York spoke during Call to the Public in opposition to consolidating transportation services with LESA CALL TO PUBLIC

Superintendent Sifferman updated the Board and public on the recent suspicious vehicle incident reported on Friday, March 5. She then introduced Principal Bill Cain from Village Elementary who made a DVD presentation to the Board on the various happenings this year in his building. SUPT. REPORT

Mr. Dumond thanked Principal Cain and his staff, noting he had visited Village Elementary in December. He also wanted to congratulate Hartland's wrestlers for their performance at the state meet, noting the JV team took 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state. Ms. McPherson-Brown also thanked Principal Cain for his report. Ms. Hutchinson thanked Superintendent Sifferman for taking her on a tour of the district last week. Mr. Kaszyca thanked Principal Cain and Rachael Wright for a great presentation. BOARD REPORTS

Motion by Sinelli, supported by McPherson-Brown that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Transportation Subcommittee, adopts the proposed resolution to consolidate portions of the district's transportation services with the Livingston Educational Service Agency (LESA) as presented and discussed. After a brief discussion, it was determined that the bus aide positions would remain with Hartland Schools. Ms. Sifferman noted that the contract was in the final draft stage and should be finalized soon. Both Ms. McPherson-Brown and Ms. Sinelli noted that the state was pushing districts to consolidate whenever possible to lessen expenses. Mr. Kaszyca noted that it was always difficult for the Board to make these types of decisions. Motion carried 6-0. TRANSP. COOPERATIVE APPROVED

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by McPherson-Brown that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the policy updates as presented and discussed. Motion carried 6-0. POLICY UPDATES

Motion by Sinelli, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education adopts the bond authorizing resolution for the 2010 Bond Issue as presented relative to the details of the issue and sale of the bonds. Motion carried 6-0. BOND RES.  
APPROVED

Superintendent Sifferman introduced Michelle Otis, Director of Community Education, who explained the School Readiness Resolution. The program is for at-risk four-year-olds who meet state needs requirements. A resolution is required by the state for funding. This will come before the Board for action on March 22. DISCUSSION:  
SCHOOL  
READINESS RES.

Mr. Bacon noted that the Finance Committee asked that the Bus Purchase Resolution for the 2010 bond first be brought before the Board as a discussion item to clarify the process. He noted that the bond passed in February did include the purchase of 27 buses. The district uses the MSBO State Bid process to purchase buses and needs a resolution from the Board of Education in order to participate. Should the Board agree, the district will be purchasing 10 of the 27 buses this year through this bid process. This will come before the Board for action on March 22. BUS PURCHASE

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie McPherson-Brown  
Secretary

Paula Waters  
Recording Secretary