

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Regular Meeting - Board of Education
May 10, 2010

Members present: K. Kaszyca, C. Sinelli, T. Dumond, M. Hutchinson
Members absent: C. Aberasturi, E. McPherson-Brown, R. Perkins
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. VanEpps, S. Bacon, L. Mayes, D. Minsker, M. Otis, K. Simpson
Guests: B. Benford, S. Way, J. Pretzel, M. Jackson, N. Callaghan, S. Callaghan, J. Jacobs, C. Jacobs, J. Archer, B. Archer, T. Jones, M. Jones, S. Bruci, B. Sellers, L. Sellers, K. Boldt, C. O'Connell, C. Carmack, P. Rose, K. Garner, M. Gilmore, E. Markell, R. Kaul, K. Merchant, M. Keeley, A. Rodriguez, C. Hart, S. Fitzgerald, A. Nicholson, M. Nassaux, M. Rauch, B. Meloche, C. Collins, J. Bourbonais, C. Stoddard, C. Worthington, R. Cornell, S. Welti, M. Sawyer, E. Winn, B. Reid, C. White, J. Hamilton, L. Villar, N. Spranger, S. Russano, N. Colaianne, M. Colaianne, B. Herr, W. Houtman, S. McCarthy, H. Houtman, J. Poorman, B. Morse, D. Gallagher, B. Conway, A. Jackson, S. Smith, S. Matthews, K. Hughes, J. Buko, S. Rollins, D. Martin, S. Parks, A. Dophal, G. Phillips, S. Paulson, M. Baynes, T. Nagel,

President Kaszyca called the meeting to order at 6:35 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 May 10, 2010 regular meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Item II.B. to be treated as an action item, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 4-0. 5/10/10 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Sinelli that the minutes of the April 12, 2010 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 4-0. 4/12 MINUTES APPROVED

Ms. Julie Poorman spoke during Call to the Public regarding the district's music programs. CALL TO PUBLIC

Ms. Sifferman then introduced Mike Hubert from LESA, who presented the proposed budget for LESA for 2010/11. She then introduced Principal David Minsker from Round Elementary whose staff and students made presentations to the Board on Photostory book reports, the Round School newspaper, and a first grade music performance. Ms. Sifferman asked Mr. Minsker to speak about the integration of literacy and core academics into specials classes, as was exhibited in the music performance as well as the newspaper and Photostory reports directed by Mary Jo Baynes, music teacher, and Barb Benford, media specialist. Ms. Sifferman thanked the community for the successful passage of the non-homestead millage renewal and thanked Ms. Sinelli, Ms. Hutchinson and Mr. Perkins for their continued service and dedication to the Board of Education. She noted that the second round for "Race to the Top" applications is underway but as allocations are still based on a percentage of a district's Title I monies, her recommendation is again for the district not to participate. Ms. Sifferman indicated that she has spoken with Dr. Gray in Brighton and he is not recommending it to his Board either, as the program would likely cost our districts more than we would receive. SUPT. REPORT:

Mr. Dumond thanked Round School for their presentations. He also acknowledged the teachers, parents and administration at Farms for all the work they put into 5th BOARD REPORTS

grade camp. Mr. Dumond thanked the Hartland Optimists Club for this morning's Respect for Law Breakfast, congratulated the participants in the recent MITES Competition held at Hartland High School, and reminded everyone of the Relay for Life event this coming weekend. Ms. Hutchinson thanked the Optimists Club for this morning's breakfast and the Farms Investment Club for tonight's dinner. Ms. Sinelli echoed Ms. Hutchinson's thanks and also thanked Mr. Evenson and Mr. Hughes for their support of the Community Council's recent article regarding teen drinking. She also thanked everyone for approving the non-homestead millage renewal. Mr. Kaszyca thanks Ms. Hutchinson, Mr. Perkins, and Ms. Sinelli for their continued commitment to the Board.

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Motion by Dumond, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of April 30, 2010, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,027,387.27 and payroll obligations totaling \$3,121,461.52. Motion carried 4-0.

PAYMENT OF
INVOICES

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Sinelli that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, adopts the 2010 Bond Ratifying Resolution for Series A, B & C as presented. Paul Stauder from Stauder Barch and Patrick Berardo from Thrun Law Firm, P.C. explained the intricacies involved with the 2010 bond. Mr. Berardo noted that the final interest rate for 25 years will be 2.61%, which is extremely low. This rate will save Hartland's taxpayers approximately \$12.8 million over the life of this bond. Motion carried 4-0.

BOND
RATIFYING
RESOLUTION

Ms. Sinelli asked that the Board recognize a group of Boy Scouts in the audience. They indicated they were working toward their "communications badge" and needed to attend and document a public meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie McPherson-Brown
Secretary

Paula Waters
Recording Secretary