

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Organizational meeting - Board of Education
January 13, 2014

Members present: T. Dumond, B. Gatewood, C. Sinelli, M. Hutchinson, K. Kaszyca
Members absent: C. Kenrick, C. Aberasturi
Admin. Present: S. Bacon, S. VanEpps, J. Sifferman, C. Hughes, L. Mayes, M. Cheney, D. Minsker, M. Day, L. Pumford, L. Smither, B. Cain, A. Howerton, M. Otis, B. Mainka, G. Waldrup
Guests: A. Magnant, D. Balistreri, B. Edgar, A. Lane, N. McArthur, K. Ratliff, J. Mott, R. Nelson, N. Gay, R. Thacker, E. Smak, J. Russell, B. Smak, M. Harvey, C. Ariss, T. Ariss, C. Briskey, D. Wilutis, M. Bandkau, T. D’Arcy, G. Rowland, B. Buck, T. Isakson, J. VanGothem, C. VanGieson, S. Hinds, L. Romano, D. Berry, S. O’Connor, C. Costa, L. Depoy, K. Schlueter, D. Hopkins, S. Simmerson,

Superintendent Sifferman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Educational Support Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Superintendent Sifferman called for nominations for the office of President. Kevin Kaszyca nominated Thom Dumond, seconded by Gatewood. No other nominations were presented. Mr. Dumond was elected President, 5-0. PRESIDENT – DUMOND

President Dumond entertained nominations for the office of Vice-President. Michelle Hutchinson nominated Kevin Kaszyca, seconded by Gatewood. No other nominations were presented. Mr. Kaszyca was elected Vice-President, 5-0. VICE PRES. – KASZYCA

President Dumond entertained nominations for the office of Secretary. Cynthia Sinelli nominated Michelle Hutchinson, seconded by Gatewood. No other nominations were presented. Ms. Hutchinson was elected Secretary, 5-0. SECRETARY – HUTCHINSON

President Dumond entertained nominations for the office of Treasurer. Kevin Kaszyca nominated Charlie Aberasturi, seconded by Sinelli. No other nominations were presented. Mr. Aberasturi was elected Treasurer, 5-0. TREASURER – ABERASTURI

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Sinelli that the agenda for the January 13, 2014 organizational meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 5-0. 1/13/14 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Gatewood, supported by Sinelli that the minutes of the December 16, 2013 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 5-0. 12/16 MINUTES APPROVED

There was no response to Call to the Public. CALL TO PUBLIC

Superintendent Sifferman noted that January is Board Appreciation Month across the state. While a more formal celebration will take place at the January 27 meeting, Ms. Sifferman thanked the Board for their continued guidance and service. She then introduced Mikki Cheney, principal of Farms Intermediate School, who updated the Board and public on the various happenings at Farms. She highlighted the expansion of the Readers’ and Writers’ Workshop programs, including the addition of a two-hour block. Dotty Selix presented data showing increased success in the 7th grade writing assessments since the expansion of the workshop programs. Several writing samples SUPT. REPORT

from Farms students were presented as well. Mr. Dumond and Ms. Sifferman thanked the Farms administration and staff for their hard work and commitment to these programs.

Mr. Gatewood also thanked the staff and families at Farms for their presentation and great turnout at the meeting.

BOARD REPORTS

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of December 31, 2013, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,684,613.07 and payroll obligations totaling \$2,707,427.12. Motion carried 5-0.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Sinelli that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent offers a probationary teaching contract to Emily Smak for the 2013/14 school year at the Step 1, BA salary tract, pending verification of credentials and Public Acts 99, 83 & 189 requirements, if applicable. Motion carried 5-0. Ms. Smak was introduced by Principal Cheney and Assistant Principal Day.

NEW HIRE – SMAK (FIS)

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations and the Director of Operations, adopts the participating resolution for the 2013/2014 MSBO/MAPT Bus Purchasing Program and authorizes the purchase of six buses through said program for a total of \$542,113.32 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

BUS PURCHASE

President Dumond noted that in addition to electing officers, the Board also needs to determine committee assignments. He asked if anyone had preferences, that they get those to him. Ms. Sifferman noted that there are Finance and Curriculum Committee meetings scheduled for this week. Mr. Dumond noted these could go forward as currently assigned.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

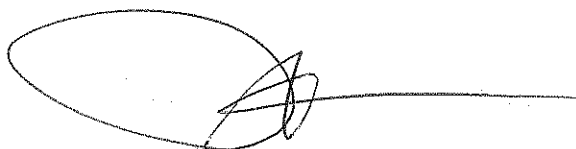
The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Hutchinson
Secretary



Paula Waters
Recording Secretary