

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Regular Meeting - Board of Education
June 8, 2015

Members present: T. Dumond, M. Hutchinson, C. Kenrick, C. Aberasturi, K. Kaszyca, C. Costa
Members absent: B. Gatewood
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, D. Selix, S. VanEpps, C. Hughes, L. Smither, M. Otis, J. Reck, D. Minsker, M. Cheney, A. Lashbrook, S. Livingway, A. Howerton, K. Gregory, B. Cain, B. Mainka, G. Waldrup
Guests: J. Tripoli, C. Rutkowski, K. Condra, C. Ciotti, P. Roberts, D. Terry, K. Evans

President Dumond 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 Kenrick, supported by Aberasturi that the agenda for the June 8, 2015 regular meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Item II.E. to be treated as an action item, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 6-0. 6/8/15 AGENDA APPROVED

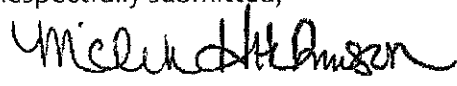
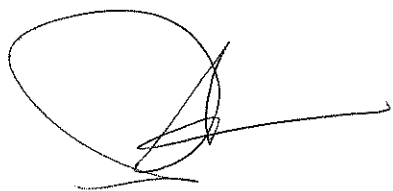
Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Costa that the minutes of the May 18, 2015 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 6-0. 5/18 MINUTES APPROVED

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

Ms. Sifferman then introduced Steve Livingway, Principal at Hartland Middle School, who brought forward Team 8C – Christine Rutkowski, Catherine Ciotti, Denise Terry, and Karen Condra. They presented the in-class intervention strategy they had developed and were implementing for the “Bottom 30%” students. This included one-on-one interviews with each student with the teaching team acting as mentors and having daily interactions with each student. Mr. Livingway noted that one of the 7th grade teams was also implementing this program. Mr. Livingway also noted that all of the teaching teams were charged with implementing interventions for the bottom 30% and they are all doing so in different ways. He spotlighted Team 8C because they had gone above and beyond with their program. Mr. Livingway then introduced Patti Roberts, a physical education teacher in his building, who has taken over the morning announcements and involved the middle school students in the production and presentation of the announcements. He then presented a video montage of some of this year’s highlights. SUPT. REPORT

Ms. Sifferman noted that this is Principal Ben Mainka’s final Board meeting with Hartland Schools before he moves to his new position with MASSP. She thanked him for the relationships he has cultivated, the curriculum initiatives he instituted, and all he has done for the district in his three years as principal at Hartland High School. Mr. Mainka thanked the Board for the opportunity to work here. He noted this was his dream, his children attend Hartland Schools and that this is a very special place.

Mr. Kaszyca thanked the high school administration and staff for a great graduation, noting it was a great venue and all went smoothly. He also thanked everyone who supported the Senior All Night Party. Ms. Hutchinson, Ms. Kenrick and Mr. Costa all concurred with Mr. Kaszyca’s sentiments. Ms. Kenrick noted that she had spoken with several parents who were all very happy with the ceremony. Mr. Dumond thanked Mr. Mainka for all he has done. BOARD REPORTS

<p>Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of May 31, 2015, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,209,364.79 and payroll obligations totaling \$2,196,721.37. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>PAYMENT OF INVOICES</p>
<p>Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Costa that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Curriculum Committee, approves the expenditures for math curriculum materials and textbooks as presented. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>CURRICULUM MATERIALS</p>
<p>Motion by Costa, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the LESA Budget for 2015/2016 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>2015/16 LESA BUDGET</p>
<p>Motion by Kenrick, supported by Costa that the Board of Education discusses and determines a date, July 20, 2015, pursuant to board policy, for the July organizational meeting. Dumond noted that this would be a 7:30 a.m. meeting. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>7/20/15 MEETING</p>
<p>Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations and the Director of Operations, sets aside policy and authorizes the purchase of a 2015 GMC Sierra 2500HD through the State of Michigan MiDeal bid program from Red Homan Buick GMC at a cost of \$31,702.60 as presented. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Bacon thanked the Board and noted that Mr. Waldrup was working on a maintenance vehicle replacement schedule similar to the one we currently have for the buses.</p>	<p>VEHICLE PURCHASE</p>
<p>Mr. VanEpps presented the most recent round of policy revisions. These will come before the Board for action at the June 29 meeting.</p>	<p>DISCUSSION: POLICY REVISIONS</p>
<p>Mr. VanEpps then presented the changes for the 2015/2016 Parent/Student Handbooks. He noted there were a number of changes for the secondary handbook and Mr. Minsker and Ms. Gregory came forward to answer questions from the Board. Mr. Costa had questions regarding the new grading scale, which Ms. Gregory explained noting that all of the high school teachers would now be using the 4-point scale instead of percentages. She noted this is the same scale used by colleges and universities. Mr. Dumond pointed out some inconsistencies in the transportation portion of the handbook that will be remedied. Then followed a lengthy discussion on the dress code changes and what the expectations will now be at the high school with the changes in administration. Mr. Minsker, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Sifferman and Mr. Livingway all weighed in on the importance of establishing a positive school environment and image; with Ms. Sifferman noting the importance of "time and place" for apparel. What may be appropriate at the mall or beach is not appropriate in a school environment, which she pointed out is essentially the students' "work" environment as we prepare them to enter the work world. This will come before the Board for action at the June 29 meeting.</p>	<p>DISCUSSION: 2015/16 PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOKS</p>
<p>Mr. Dumond noted the next meeting would be June 29 at 6:30 p.m. and then July 20 at 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p>FUTURE MEETINGS</p>
<p>The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>
<p>Respectfully submitted,  Michelle Hutchinson Secretary</p>	 Paula Waters Recording Secretary