

Hartland Consolidated Schools  
Regular meeting - Board of Education  
September 14, 2015

Members present: T. Dumond, K. Kaszyca, C. Aberasturi, B. Gatewood, C. Costa  
Members absent: C. Kenrick  
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, S. VanEpps, M. Otis, C. Hughes, M. Day, B. Cain, A. Lashbrook, K. Gregory, D. Minsker, G. Waldrup, D. Selix, A. Howerton  
Guests: M. Hemeyer, B. Bratt, D. Bratt, K. Evans, T. Bosley

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 Kaszyca, supported by Aberasturi that the agenda for the September 14, 2015 regular meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 5-0. 9/14/15 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Gatewood that the minutes of the August 24, 2015 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 5-0. 8/24/15 MINUTES APPROVED

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

Superintendent Sifferman noted that a Legislative Breakfast has been tentatively scheduled for Monday, October 26, at 7:00 a.m. at LESA. She then spoke about the bus accident that occurred this morning noting that everyone is okay and all of the children ended up in school for the day. She also commended bus driver Patricia Kantola on her excellent defensive driving skills and calm demeanor during the accident. Ms. Sifferman asked Mr. VanEpps to talk about the Schools of Choice numbers for 2015/16. Mr. VanEpps noted that the district processed 228 applications, the highest number in five years, with 186 of those being new students to the district. The official count day is October 7. SUPT. REPORT

Ms. Sifferman introduced Lisa Archey, Director of Student Nutrition, to begin the annual breakfast hearing. Ms. Archey noted that for 2015/16 the district is required to serve breakfast at Legacy High School due to their Free & Reduced Lunch percentage. Breakfast is also available at Round Elementary, Hartland High School and Farms Intermediate School because there is already staff in place and response has been good. We will also be offering breakfast again on a trial basis at Hartland Middle School this year. Mr. Gatewood commended Ms. Archey on the excellent job she has done since taking the helm of the Student Nutrition Department, which has turned a corner and is once again essentially supporting itself, even with all of the new rules and regulations. With no response from the Board or public, the Breakfast Program will remain as stated for 2015/16. ANNUAL BREAKFAST HEARING

Ms. Sifferman then introduced Chuck Hughes who presented an update for the Board on the 2014/15 Board Goals: Finance, Building & Sites, District Culture, District Public Relations, and Student Achievement. President Dumond thanked Mr. Hughes for compiling and presenting the information and also thanked the district's administration, staff and Board for all of their hard work striving to achieve these goals. BOARD GOALS UPDATE

Mr. Costa noted that he had spoken with a colleague in South Lyon today who had specifically moved to Hartland just for the school system. Mr. Gatewood continued this theme noting that the wife of one of his colleagues had just been hired at Creekside and BOARD REPORTS

was thrilled as she had turned down several other opportunities hoping she would have the chance to teach in Hartland. Mr. Dumond noted that his son, a junior, who had not been excited about the start of school, came home after the first day saying it was going to be a good year – loves his teachers and classes. Mr. Dumond also commented on how well behaved our students were at Friday's Patriot Game, which was particularly impressive as it was a rivalry game with Howell and the stadium was packed. Mr. Kaszyca noted that even though both of his children have graduated, he and his wife still enjoy attending the football games.

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President Dumond began the discussion for the appointment of a new Board member. He noted he hoped, regardless of the decision, that both Ms. Hemeyer and Ms. Bratt would remain active in the district. Ms. Sifferman concurred and noted that there would be other openings in the future and she hoped whoever was not chosen today would stay involved.

APPOINTMENT:  
NEW BOARD  
MEMBER

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Aberasturi that the Board of Education appoints Michelle Hemeyer to fill the seat vacated by Michelle Hutchinson. This term will expire December 31, 2016 and the remainder of the term (four years) will appear on the ballot in the November 2016 election. Mr. Costa noted that as he has known both candidates for several years, he believes they both would be excellent Board members. Mr. Gatewood noted that he was glad the Board has two really good candidates and is happy to have to make a tough decision as opposed to settling. Motion carried 5-0.

HEMEYER  
APPOINTED

Superintendent Sifferman administered the Oath of Office to Michelle Hemeyer and she took her seat at the Board table.

HEMEYER-OATH

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Kaszyca that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of August 31, 2016, and the payment of invoices totaling \$841,421.50 and payroll obligations totaling \$2,326,411.11. Motion carried 6-0.

PAYMENT OF  
INVOICES

Motion by Gatewood, supported by Costa that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, approves the proposed curriculum changes as presented and discussed. Motion carried 6-0.

15/16 CURRICULUM  
CHANGES

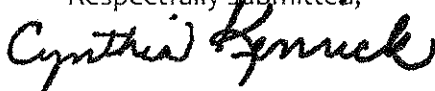
Mr. Dumond noted that the next meeting was scheduled for October 26 at 6:30 p.m.

FUTURE MTGS.

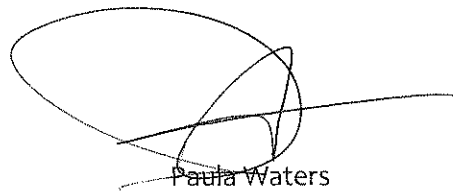
The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia Kenrick  
Secretary



Paula Waters  
Recording Secretary