

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Regular Meeting - Board of Education
February 14, 2011

Members present: C. Aberasturi, K. Kaszyca, M. Hutchinson, T. Dumond, E. McPherson-Brown, C. Sinelli, (arrived 6:35 p.m.)
Members absent: B. Perkins
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. VanEpps, S. Bacon, C. Hughes, D. Petish, S. Livingway, A. Howerton, B. Cain, D. Minsker, L. Smither, L. Pumford, G. Waldrup, M. Otis
Guests: N. Spranger, S. Otto, M. Ansbro, S. Swann, S. Reinhardt, S. Reinhardt, R. Reinhardt, C. Kenrick

President Kaszyca called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the media center of Hartland Middle School. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by McPherson-Brown that the agenda for the February 14, 2011 regular meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVED

1/24 MINUTES
APPROVED

Motion by Dumond, supported by Aberasturi that the minutes of the January 24, 2011 special meeting and closed session be approved. Motion carried 5-0.

CALL TO PUBLIC

There was no response to Call to the Public. (Ms. Sinelli arrived here - 6:35 p.m.)

SUPT. REPORT

Superintendent Sifferman noted that the deadline for submitting applications to be on the May 3, 2011 regular school election ballot had passed and Cyndi Kenrick will be the only candidate for the Board seat being vacated by Ms. McPherson-Brown. Ms. Sifferman then introduced Principal Livingway from Hartland Middle School. Mr. Livingway presented a binder to the Board that included assessment and program data for the middle school. He then introduced Sandy Otto, middle school counselor, who gave a presentation on the various functions of the counseling office, including academics, assessment, student interaction and social issues, as well as scheduling and career counseling. Ms. Otto introduced student Sarah Ansbro, who described several activities produced by the "Mix It Up" club, whose primary goal is to shake up various social groups and cliques and get students to interact with other students they might not normally approach. Ms. Otto then introduced Roxanne Reinhardt and Morgyn Woodruff who chair the "Media Center Committee". They discussed the various activities they are involved in, including an upcoming book drive to bring new titles to the media center. Mr. Livingway noted that Ms. Otto is the only counselor for 900 students and does an amazing job of making them all feel involved, connected and cared for, providing a better and more productive middle school experience.

Ms. Sifferman introduced Principal Hughes and Assistant Principal Debra Petish from Hartland High School to talk about the upcoming NCA/AdvancEd accreditation review. Mr. Hughes explained the various factors that go into establishing the high school's mission and academic plan, including input from students, staff, parents, the community and the school board. Ms. Petish explained the AdvancEd Quality Assurance Review (QAR), and what the QAR team would be

looking for, noting that for each of the seven areas, Mr. Hughes and his

administrative team have compiled extensive data points and examples. The AdvancEd QAR team will be conducting community interviews on March 30 at 8:40 a.m. at the high school and will hold a staff meeting with the results of their review at 2:30 p.m.

Assistant Superintendent Scott VanEpps updated the Board on the February 9 student count day numbers. He noted that the unofficial count shows an increase of 9.3 students from the fall count and an increase of 71.15 students from the 2010 February count.

Ms. Hutchinson noted that she is continuing to meet with the building PTOs regarding school financing and participation in the Grassroots Network. She also noted that there will be a fundraiser at Outback Steakhouse on March 19 with all of the proceeds going toward Challenge Day. Mr. Kaszyca wanted to recognize the high school administration, staff, and the wrestling and band boosters/parents for working together so beautifully last weekend when both groups had major competitions scheduled at the high school facility. Everything went smoothly and everyone left with a very favorable impression of Hartland Schools. Mr. Dumond seconded Mr. Kaszyca's comments and also thanked Principals Hughes, Livingway and Minsker for the tours they provided him last Friday.

Motion by Sinelli, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of January 31, 2011 and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,638,844.40 and payroll obligations totaling \$1,907,684.12. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopts the regular school election resolution for the May 3, 2011 school election as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by McPherson-Brown, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education adopts the proposed goals for 2011 - 2014 as presented and discussed. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Sinelli, supported by Dumond 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 2010/11 MSBO/MAPT Bus Purchasing Program and authorizes the purchase of 10 buses through said program for a total of \$895,259.80 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Dumond, supported by Sinelli that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, amends the resolutions adopted October 11, 2010 and November 8, 2010 additionally authorizing the sale of bonds by private placement or negotiation as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Sinelli, supported by McPherson-Brown that the Board of Education authorizes the registration of Thom Dumond and Michelle Hutchinson for the MASB/MASA Joint Legislative Conference on March 16, 2011 at a cost of \$125.00 each. Motion carried 6-0.

SUPT. REPORT
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BOARD REPORTS

PAYMENT OF
INVOICES

ELECTION
MAY 3, 2011

BOARD GOALS
2011 - 2014

BUS PURCHASE

REFINANCE
BONDS

CONFERENCE
REGISTRATION

President Kaszyca noted that the special meeting scheduled for February 28, 2011

has been canceled as it falls during the mid-winter break. Ms. Sifferman noted that the date for the LCASB Annual Meeting was incorrect - the meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at the Educational Support Service Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie McPherson-Brown
Secretary

Paula Waters
Recording Secretary

UPCOMING
MEETINGS -
CHANGES