

Hartland Consolidated Schools  
Special Meeting - Board of Education  
May 23, 2011

Members present: K. Kaszyca, C. Sinelli, T. Dumond, C. Aberasturi, M. Hutchinson  
Members absent: E. McPherson-Brown, R. Perkins  
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, L. Mayes, S. VanEpps, C. Hughes, G. Waldrup, B. Cain, S. Usher, M. Otis, M. Cheney, L. Smither, D. Minsker, T. Sahouri, K. Evenson, S. Livingway  
Guests: K. Pigott, L. Cressey, B. Benford, B. Green, A. Killingbeck, T. Rogers, M. Rutherford, S. Quinn, A. Boulanger, B. Wolf, L. Hatfield, D. Lonergan, A. Neu, M. Wood, T. Knasiak, S. Swann, M. Frasier, M. Shahan, R. Nelson, K. Raap, J. Albany, A. Lobbestael, M. Watson, N. England, C. Lee, R. Sharpe, C. Kenrick, J. Stone, C. Newcomb, T. Weeks, K. Orr, D. Schneider, K. Hull, K. Barbee, J. Gust, B. Shepard, J. Daratony, S. Schmitt, A. Werth, L. Clift

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 Aberasturi, supported by Sinelli that the agenda for the May 23, 2011 special meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Items II.C. and II.D. to be treated as action items, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 5-0. 5/23/11 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Dumond, supported by Aberasturi that the minutes of the May 9, 2011 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 5-0. 5/9 MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Jeff Bain spoke during Call to the Public regarding how funds were allocated for coaches of the various sports offerings. Mr. Bacon will follow-up with him. CALL TO PUBLIC

Superintendent Sifferman introduced Principal David Minsker from Round Elementary School. Mr. Minsker gave a presentation highlighting the building's "Literacy Blocks". Teachers and educational support staff discussed how the Literacy Blocks have impacted their students and their teaching strategies. Mr. Minsker noted that the success of this program is directly tied to the commitment and dedication of his staff, who have all worked together as a team in conjunction with the students and parents. SUPT. REPORT: ROUND ELEM.

Mrs. Sifferman then introduced Mikki Cheney, Principal of Farms Intermediate School and chairperson of the Support Person of the Year Committee. Mrs. Cheney introduced the other members of the committee and then presented Laura Cressey, para-educator at Round Elementary, with the 2011 Support Person of the Year award. Ms. Cressey received a standing ovation. SUPPORT PERSON OF THE YEAR

Mrs. Sifferman read an update from the ESA Legislative Group regarding the Governor's budget proposal for public schools. The update noted that though the Governor is now proposing a smaller reduction per pupil, it will still have a significant impact on students.

Ms. Hutchinson congratulated the LEGACY graduates as she will be unable to attend this year's graduation ceremony. She also thanked Principal Smither and the BOARD REPORTS

staff at Lakes for including her in the various classroom activities during her recent visit to the building.

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Aberasturi that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the 2011-2014 Technology Plan as presented and discussed. Motion carried 5-0. TECH PLAN APPROVED

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopts the updates and revisions to the Policy Manual as presented and discussed. Motion carried 5-0. UPDATES APPROVED

The Board discussed the three candidates vying for two seats on the LESA Board of Education. The Board noted that while all of the candidates had excellent credentials, keeping a balance among the five districts was important. They selected LuAnn Loy from Brighton and Daniel Cortez from Howell. LESA CANDIDATES

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education directs its chosen representative or alternate to cast votes for LuAnn Loy and Daniel Cortez to fill two seats on the LESA Board of Education. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Sinelli, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the LESA Budget for 2011/2012 as presented. Motion carried 5-0. President Kaszyca thanked Mike Hubert, LESA, and Scott Bacon for their help in clarifying several points for the Board. 2011/12 LESA BUDGET APPROVED

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie McPherson-Brown  
Secretary

Paula Waters  
Recording Secretary