

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Regular Meeting-Board of Education Minutes
April 14, 2021

Members present: T. Dumond, C. Aberasturi, K. Coleman, C. Costa, B. Gatewood, M. Hemeyer, C. Kenrick

Members absent: None

Admin. Present: C. Hughes, S. VanEpps, D. Minsker, S. Usher

Guests: Allison Larson, Amy Bayerl, Andrea Kosla, Andrew Kartsounes, Anthony Lewis# MDCR, ashleylieto, Barbara Gazda, Beth Maurin, Brad Laibly, Breanne Stuart, C Wiz, Cathleen Haglund, CH, chris, Cindy, Cindy Pruitt, Cristal Briskey, Danielle Custodio, Deb Whitson, Debbie Kangas, Diane, Dorothy Hottum, Doug Fairbanks (Barbara Walker), Emily Aluia, Erin, Erin Dennis, Evan Phillips, Frank Tappen, Hartland, Heather Calabrese, Heather Zachow, Holly Childers, iPhone, iPhone (3), Jaime Ray, Janet Chodos, Jennifer Justice, Jennifer's iPhone, Jenny Ludwigsen, Jesse Brodbeck, Jessica Drager, Jill Klumpp, Jill Mosack, Joe Kenrick, Josie (Mae Pennala), Julianne Chapman-Gatewood, Justine Jovanovski, Karen Condra, Karen Quinn, Kari, Kate Gregory, KellyChapman, Kent Wabel, KJB (Jen Bour), Kristin's iPhone, Larry Justice, Laura Harrison, Laura Moore, Lauren Alter, Lauren Brynolf (Bennett), Lauren Nizol, Lauren Reck, Lauren West, Leslie Leemgraven, Lisa Ogihara, Maegan Weller, Mandy Keskes, Mandy Mach, Marisa Ganzak, Mark Frasier, Matt, Matt Conway (Jennifer Conway), Matt J (Kristen), Matt Marino, MCG, Melinda 's iPhone, Melissa Frasier, Michelle, Michelle Pearson Costa, Michelle Vincent, (15229CoachYvonne), Mikki Cheney, Nate Dorough, Nicole Matthews-Creech (Nicole Creech), parent (Jen Bour), Rachel Bois, Sarah Demgen, Scott Bacon, Scott Wissner, Shannon Setlock, Shari Russano, Shelly Shpakoff, SKellner, stacey Maffeo, Stefanie (Stefanie Furge), Stephanie Schlosser, Sue Pearson, Teri Wozny, TRVFIT P-D-F, User's iPhone, Vic Bugni, WHMI News, Zoom user

President Dumond called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4/12/21 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Hemeyer that the agenda for the April 12, 2021 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 7-0.

3/8/21 MINUTES APPROVED

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Costa that the minutes of the March 8, 2021 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 7-0.

SUPERTINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Hughes reminded everyone of the upcoming Board Tour on April 28th. The tour will start at the Middle school at 9:00, Creekside at 9:30, Village at 10:00, then Round at 10:30.

A Finance Committee meeting has been scheduled for May 4th at 7:30 am.

A Special Board of Education meeting has been scheduled for May 19th at 8:00 a.m.

BOND UPDATE

Superintendent Hughes introduced Matt Marino who gave an update on the Robotics Center and Auxiliary Field Bond projects. Matt reminded everyone that updates are posted regularly on our website. Superintendent Hughes thanked the Robotics parents for their input on the design.

Superintendent Hughes responded to questions about mask waivers for the fall and stated that there is no waiver at this time.

HCS DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION UPDATE

Superintendent Hughes addressed the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion committee information that was posted on social media and on WHMI and assured everyone that the full Board is 100% committed to having a DEI Committee. The Board is having discussions about what the subcommittee structure will look like.

Superintendent Hughes introduced High School Principal Kate Gregory to talk about end of the year activities for seniors. Principal Gregory said due to not being able to guarantee attendance numbers with Eastern for a ceremony, she is planning a drive-thru graduation ceremony like last year on Saturday June 5th, with a rain date of June 6th. Seniors last day will be May 19th and she is putting together a plan for the Senior walk. She said the High School administration is also planning a senior formal event for Friday May 14th.

EXTENDED COVID-19 LEARNING PLAN

Superintendent Hughes introduced Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Dave Minsker. Dave talked about the "Thinkstretch" Summer Learning Packets that will be provided for students, Pre-K through 8th grade to self-pace throughout the summer. The program includes literacy, science, math, stem, and engagement activities along with an awards ceremony in the fall. The cost of the program will be covered by COVID money.

Superintendent Hughes addressed parents concerned about the number of times kids must quarantine. He has been working with the HEA and Kate Gregory to come up with a plan, where students will have the opportunity to move to virtual learning with a commitment through the end of the school year.

Scott VanEpps shared that the average K-12 student attendance 3/8/21 through 4/9/21 was 93.82%.

Superintendent Hughes wished the juniors good luck on the SAT test tomorrow.

Superintendent Hughes presented the Board members with the book "The Tribe".

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Lauren Nizol, Jenny Ludwigsen, Larry Justice, Wendy Phillips, Maegan Weller, Nicole Matthews-Creech, Jill Klumpp, Lauren Brynolf, and Cathleen Haglund spoke about the DEI committee.

BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Gatewood thanked Superintendent Hughes for all of his work regarding the DEI committee.

Mr. Costa thanked the community for their emails/comments.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Motion by Costa, supported by Aberasturi, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of March 31, 2021, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,556,195.92 and payroll obligations totaling \$3,657,545.42. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF LESA PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Motion by Hemeyer, supported by Kenrick, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Director of Special Education, appoints Tara Branson and Angela Workman as the Hartland Consolidated Schools' representatives to the LESA Parent Advisory Committee. Motion carried 7-0.

"THINKSTRETCH" SUMMER LEARNING PACKET PURCHASE

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Coleman, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, approves the purchase of the "ThinkStretch" Summer Learning Packet program in the amount of \$33,390.00 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

CREEKSIDE ELEMENTARY PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT – PTO PURCHASE

Motion by Coleman, supported by Hemeyer, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the purchase of new playground equipment for Creekside in the amount of \$28,545.46 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION – EXTENDED LEARNING PLAN

Motion by Hemeyer, supported by Kenrick, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, reconfirms the Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. Motion carried 6-1.

BOARD OF EDUCATION SUB COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The Board members discussed the DEI sub committee.

President Dumond motioned to set aside policy to allow a vote on Discussion Item III.A.

Costa: yes, Hemeyer: yes, Kenrick: yes, Gatewood: yes, Aberasturi: yes, Coleman: yes, Dumond: yes
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Costa, supported by Gatewood, to establish a separate Board level DEI committee.

Coleman: yes, Aberasturi: no, Gatewood: yes, Dumond: no, Kenrick: no, Hemeyer: yes, Costa: yes.
Motion carried 4-3.

FUTURE OF VIRTUAL/LIVE STREAM BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

The Board discussed continuing to hold Board of Education meetings via Zoom or live stream after returning to in-person meetings.

FUTURE MEETINGS

President Dumond noted that the next meetings will be held May 10, 2021, regular, at 6:30 p.m., May 19, 2021, Special, at 8:00 a.m., and June 14, 2021, regular, at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Educational Support Service Center.

INFORMATION ITEMS

President Dumond noted that the Memorial Day parade has been cancelled again for this year.

Mr. Costa said the Memorial Day 5k run will take place.

Mrs. Coleman announced that the staff at Round Elementary will be doing a memorial for Mary Jo Delvero.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Hemeyer
Secretary



Renee Braden
Recording Secretary