

Hancock School Committee Meeting Minutes
June 7th, 2022

Present: Bruce Weiner, Missy Turner, Elisa Kryskow, Alex Kastrinakis

Also Present: Rebecca Phillips (Superintendent/SPED Director), Jay Merselis (Principal)

1. Call to Order - Rebecca called the School Committee meeting to order at 6:02pm. This is a Reorganization Meeting for the School Committee
 1. Rebecca motioned for Alex to be Chair of School Committee: 1st - Bruce, 2nd- Melissa. All in favor. Rebecca granted Alex permission to continue meeting as Chair.
 2. Alex motioned for Elisa to remain as Secretary: 1st - Alex, 2nd - Bruce. All in favor
 3. Melissa motioned for Bruce to continue as Vice Chair for School Committee. 1st - Melissa, 2nd- Alex. All in favor.
 4. Elisa motioned for Bruce, Alex and Melissa to remain Union members. 1st - Elisa, 2nd- Alex. All in favor.
2. Public Concerns: Special invitation from Janet Tremblay to Jan Derby's retirement party this weekend: Sunday June 12th from 1-330 - Jiminy Peak Country Inn, Clark Room. Donations are being accepted toward food and gift.
3. Glimpse Into the Classroom: 6th Grade Students Passion-Projects
4. Correspondence:
 1. Letter from Board of Selectmen re: entryway and bathrooms. Bids came in higher than the Board of Selectmen expected: ~\$200,000. Rebecca and School Committee are waiting to see the bids to have further discussion.
5. Review/Approval of Minutes: Melissa- 1st, Bruce- 2nd, to approve May minutes. All in favor
6. Principal's Report:
 1. Accolades:
 1. Music teacher Alan Livermoor for grades 2-6 for Lanesboro concert.
 2. Nurse Carol for ordering Hancock T-shirts
 3. Everyone that has participated in Jan Derby's party. Can see everyone is invested in the school community.
 2. Enrollment remains consistent. Possibility of starting with upwards of 60 students.
 3. Bought materials for fence. Planning for installation with Zach Lambert on June 25th. Hoping for an additional crew of people to help.
 4. 6th grade graduation is tomorrow, June 8th, at 4:00. Pre-K graduation is 10am on June 9th.
 5. School/Family picnic from 10a-2p at Jiminy on Friday June 10th.
 6. Summer curriculum headed by Janet Tremblay. 4 weeks (divided into two 2-week sessions). Many other staff members have shown desire to be involved - another show of how special and connected this community is.
 7. Great academic year with RTI and new reading and math curriculums. Looking forward to having more SEL (Social Emotional Learning) next year with mindfulness and meaningful connections. Jane Shiya is spearheading how to introduce and implement these skills.
 8. Last day of school is Monday June 13, 11:30 dismissal for students. Teachers' last day is June 14th
2. Superintendent's Report
 1. Reviewed Benchmarking data
 2. Extraordinary Relief Fund check arrived in the amount of \$219,000
 3. Visit from Worthington Elementary School: wanting to see how the reading curriculum could be implemented in their school which has a similar grading format as ours. Positive collaboration.

4. Hiring para's for 22-23 school year: based on more need from incoming student who has not yet committed to placement at the school. Hopeful to have this determination by the Aug meeting.
5. Policy Review:
 1. Out of State Tuition Policy, some corrections to be made with regard to wording the policy in a more robust manner re: payment schedule and following state formula for costs associated with SPED needs.
 2. Alex motioned for a first read for the three ACAB policies. 1st- Elisa, 2nd - Melissa, all in favor. Will reconvene at August meeting
6. School Committee Meeting Schedule handed out. Meetings are first Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm. Melissa motioned to accept the calendar, Bruce - 2nd, all in favor.
7. SPED report:
 1. No additional information
8. Finance Report: Reviewed.
 1. Looking for encumbered funds so as to pay bills before end of FY, June 30, 2022.
 2. Short discussion about how budget will be affected by increasing costs re: inflation.
9. New Business
 1. Will add Zoom link to agenda for next 6 meeting with hope that public will attend based on the more accessible format.
10. No executive session needed
12. Alex motioned to adjourn 7:41 - Bruce - 1st, Melissa 2nd, all in favor.