

Hancock School Committee Meeting Minutes
June 2nd, 2025

Present: Kayt Turner, Jim Rodda, Elisa Kryskow, Ana Bradbury, Bruce Weiner

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

1. Call to Order - Dr. Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:02pm
2. Reorganization:
 1. Nominations for:
 1. Chair: Jim nominated Kayt, Bruce 2nd, all in favor. Dr. Phillips turns meeting over to Chair.
 2. Secretary: Jim nominated Elisa, Kayt 2nd, all in favor
 3. Vice Chair: Kayt nominated Bruce, Jim 2nd, all in favor
 4. Union Representatives: Jim nominated the same representatives as last year (Kayt, Bruce). Kayt nominated Ana as the third representative, Elisa 2nd, all in favor
3. Public Concerns:
 1. Jim informed us that the bus company has Go-Pro on the school bus on loan now, and they have identified a number of driver's breaking the rules of the road.
4. Correspondence: None
5. Approval of minutes:
 1. Bruce motioned to approve 5/6/25 minutes. 2nd- Kayt. All in favor.
6. Principal's Report:
 1. Accolades and Happenings
 1. Springfield Museums was a successful field trip day
 2. Enrollment remains at 48
 1. Consistent inquiries - 6 in the last month; 5 school choice and one PreK
 3. MCAS/Aimsweb tests have been completed.
 1. Public results are expected to be shared at October meeting
 4. Building projects:
 1. Roof will be evaluated now that weather has a improved (is it just the drain or is it the rubber membrane).
 2. Septic system will be pumped before new school year
 3. Accumulation of various items in the shed will be sorted and disposed of over the summer
 5. Upcoming Events/Schedules
 1. Dental Hygienist coming to school tomorrow (6/3)
 2. June 12th, 6th grade graduation will start at 12:30
 3. June 16th, last full day, Jiminy Pool Party
 4. June 17th, 180th day of the year, dismissal at 11:30
 5. Faculty at school on June 18th.
 6. Summer program from June 23rd - July 18
7. Superintendent's Report:
 1. Home Run Bill Update
 1. Testimony tomorrow (6/3). Rebecca will attend in person, Kayt and Ms. Lincoln testifying virtually. Please write a letter in support of exemption from subsection (k) by June 10th.
 2. Out of state/out of district preschool tuition policy: Second Read. Bruce motions to move this policy to a 3rd read, Kayt 2nd, all in favor.
 3. Out of state tuition policy and contract: Second Read. Bruce made a motion to move this policy to 3rd read. 2nd - Kayt. All in favor.

4. Staffing Update: have been interviewing and are in contract negotiations with chosen applicant for 3rd/4th grade teacher.
5. Summer Activities:
 1. Dr. Phillips will be updating Staff and Employee Handbook and Student and Parent Handbook over the summer.
 2. Wilson Reading Training
 3. Special Education Retreat - on school grounds with appropriate staff
 4. Lending Library: school based project over the summer
8. SPED Director Report:
 1. Ms. Alden has been working on a waiver and has completed all necessary requirements to have the proper certification. She is also working to complete the Wilson Reading Training Program.
9. Financial Report - Reviewed
10. New Business:
 1. Kayt inquiring if anyone is interested in Teacher Negotiation Committee
11. Kayt motioned to adjourn at 7:25, Elisa - 2nd. All in favor.