

HOOKSETT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – January 17, 2017

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**HOOKSETT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, January 17, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

LOCATION OF MEETING: David R. Cawley Middle School Media Center

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Berry called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance – Isabella Santasuosso, Grade 3, Hooksett Memorial School

ATTENDANCE

Mike Berry, Chair, Amy Boilard, Phil Denbow, Lindsey Laliberte, Greg Martakos, Kara Salvas and Jim Sullivan.

Staff: Dr. Phil Littlefield, Superintendent, Marge Polak, Assistant Superintendent, and Karen Lessard, Business Administrator.

PROOF OF POSTING - Dr. Charles P. Littlefield

Dr. Littlefield provided proof of posting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTE

Approval of January 3, 2017 Minutes

*K. Salvas motioned to approve the minutes of January 3, 2017. Seconded by J. Sullivan.
Vote unanimously in favor*

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Budget Committee -G. Martakos: The Budget Committee held a public hearing on January 12th. Following the hearing, the Committee voted to recommend all the Warrant Articles.

J. Sullivan stated they are up to date on new policies and will be working to review School Board policies and procedures.

UPDATES FROM DR. CHARLES P. LITTLEFIELD, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Littlefield received a student report from Pinkerton which was a review of student accomplishments specifically for Hooksett students which included class rank, honor roll and high honor roll. The report showed Hooksett is well represented.

The Turner Group has not completed their study and will present their findings at a future meeting.

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I sent an email to the Board regarding Kindergarten funding. It made it sound like the State would be funding Kindergarten. It does give the school full funding for Kindergarten. Now we receive half for adequacy funding for Kindergarten. Even if you go into a full day Kindergarten situation, you still get half. This would correct that and you would get full funding if you had a full day of Kindergarten. The Bill is currently in committee.

PRESENTATION(S) – State of the Schools – David R. Cawley Middle School

Principal Matt Benson and Assistant Principal Brad Largy

Mr. Benson's is in his 6th year as Principal and Mr. Largy is in his 4th year as Assistant Principal.

Cawley currently has 475 students with 489 expected next year.

Cawley has Team configurations in grades 6, and 7.

The 8th grade is departmentalization which matches teaching styles with the students learning styles. This serves as a transition from middle school to high school.

Unified Arts: We give a large number of opportunities to our students.

Core Values:

- What is best for students

- Personalized education

- High expectations and create authentic learning experiences

- Writing 5 days per week so students see themselves as lifetime writers

- Reading for a variety of purposes with fluency and comprehension

- STEM

Instruction Priorities

- Math will focus on pacing through intentional lesson planning

- Staff to focus on increasing text complexity

- STEM focus on real world problem solving

NECAP 2016

- Science NECAP Data for 2016

- In 2014 we were above the State but only at 36%. In 2015 the State was low and we were above the state at 46%. In 2016 we took a step back coming in below the State at 37%.

- The Science curriculum and inquiry based and analysis is an area we struggle with. In 2014 and 2015 we made inquiry based a priority. As we moved to standards in 2016, we left some of that behind.

STEM- samples

- 7th grade – Water filtration and Distillation using solar energy

- Hooksett Drought – students had to create a structure that captures the most water being dripped by a 5 gallon bucket.

- Snowflake Study – Does the size and structure of a snowflake directly impact the falling rate? Do we get more or less snow based on the structure?

Expanding your horizons in Math and Science – we were the leading school in attending the conference which is for female students only

It promotes STEM and Engineering careers for girls. We had over 60 girls attend.

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NWEA

This measure the student's individual growth.

Students are assessed in September, January and June.

Fall Assessment establishes the baseline

Students are expected to meet their targeted growth on winter and spring.

Results from spring 2016

6th grade reading 52%

7th grade 61%

8th grade 62%

This is a district assessment. These norms are set; there is such a large pool of students, the student is only comparing themselves against themselves. I don't have data of other schools.

Math

6th grade – 65%

7th grade - 46%

8th grade - 57%

Whole School

The entire Cawley Middle School - Reading 58.6% met or exceeds their growth

Action Plans for all content Areas

All students would meet or exceed their targeted growth

Flex Time 7:50 – 8:35

Small group instruction, unified arts support and individual instruction

Keys to Literacy

Focus on argument, narrative and informational writings

3 writing activity guides

Writing coach training

This gives a black and white plan moving forward.

Summer Academy

At the end of semester we will start to identify students that are below proficiency.

Intense target instruction

STEM

In 2016, 56 students attended on of the three options

Study Skills

7th and 8th grade students will take a multiple Intelligence Survey

Middle School focuses on developing strategies in time management

ACE Bullying

Annually we train staff and students which is part of the bullying law

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Unified Sports

We are fortunate to have unified sports and have partnered with Mountain View and Rundlett.
We practice once a week and have 30 students participating.

Communications with Families

Ask teachers to do Quarterly letters to update parents on skills, units, upcoming project, and test books being read

Meet with parents once a month to get honest feedback.

Teachers are required to do weekly website updates

Monthly Principal Reports and bright Arrow email communications

Website posting, tweets, and Facebook

Ongoing parent conferences, emails and phone calls.

We are going to have a contest for students to develop and APP for Cawley.

NH “Edies” Middle School of the Year

Cawley has moved to the second part of the application process for the NH School of Excellence Award.

NH Family and Consumer Science Educator of the Year – Bernadette Olsen

Wellness

Make your mark, made a difference

Wellness Night – March 8th from 6-8 pm

Summer Enrichment

4 Programs offered with over 40 students

Technology at Cawley

75 iPad

21 displays

24 Apple TVs

100 Chrome books

More devices, more band width, increased Wi-Fi access

Students are now using Gmail.

3D Printer

Video Production classes

Google classroom

HawkNews

Technology is being used for:

Multimedia

Research

Coding

Data Analysis

Display information

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Facilities Update

Ongoing compliance inspections
Security System Update
Fire pump replacement
Replaced 25 windows in September
Plan to replace 25 more

Emergency Management Update

This fall we coordinated our window numbers with the room numbers
ICS 100 level course offered by FEMA to all staff
CPR Certification
In collaboration with Police, we keep them updated

High School Choice for 2017

Pinkerton	91
Manchester Central	20
Manchester West	3
Londonderry	30
Pembroke	4
Bow	2

After School Activities

90% of students are involved in something

National Jr. Honor Society – 21 students

Chorus – Hawkapella

Athletics

Large number of sports offerings

Safe Sports Network/NH Muculoskeletal Institute

Safe Sports Star of the Year Award-

Cawley will be awarded in March 22

PERSONNEL

No personnel

FINANCE

Review of Manifest and Action Relating Thereto

M. Berry motioned to approve the manifest for January 17, 2017 in the amount of \$826,563.58.

Seconded by A. Boilard.

Vote unanimously in favor

Budget Adjustments

A. Boilard motion to approve the Budget Adjustments in the amount of \$163,015.58. Seconded by P. Denbow.

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Vote unanimously in favor.

Amy Boilard asked when the costs went up to warrant moving money from public tuition to private tuition.

K. Lessard will provide that information.

Vote unanimously in favor

OLD BUSINESS

Hooksett School Board Goals

NEW BUSINESS

Deliberative Session #1 Discussion/Warrant Articles

Warrant Articles

Article 2 – Amy Boilard/J. Sullivan

Article 3 – G. Martakos/L. Laliberte

Article 4 – K. Salas/M. Berry

Article 5 - P. Denbow/M. Berry

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No comment

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Enrollment Reports

Future Agenda Item: Underhill Student

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: RSA 91-A:3 Section II (if needed)

ADJOURNMENT (action required) –

J. Sullivan motioned to adjourn. Seconded by P. Denbow.

Vote unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Moynihan

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Hooksett School Board is **Tuesday, February 7, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. at David R. Cawley Middle School Media Center.