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**Hudson School Committee
Open Session Minutes**

Meeting Date: January 5, 2016

Location: Hudson High School
69 Brigham Street

Members present: Jennifer O'Brien, Michele Tousignant Dufour, George Luoto, Allyson Hay, Glenn Maston and Elizabeth Hallsworth

Members absent: Brian Davis

Others present: Dr. Jodi Fortuna, Superintendent
Julia M. Pisegna, Recording Secretary

I. Call the Meeting to Order – 7:03 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair, Jennifer O'Brien.

II. Approval of Minutes:

None.

III. Public Participation:

None.

IV. Reports:

Student Representative Report:

None.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Jodi Fortuna

Dr. Fortuna wished all a Happy New Year and shared her excitement for the new year and the wonderful things happening in the District.

Due to the holiday, there was no Superintendent's Report.

Enrollment

All enrollment numbers are up to date. The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education collects enrollment data in October, March and June.

Subcommittee Reports:

Ms. Hay reminded all Committee members that their Superintendent's Evaluations were due to her by January 12th.

IV. **Matters for Discussion:**

1. MCAS Accountability – Dr. Jodi Fortuna:

Dr. Fortuna presented the MCAS and accountability data for the 2014-2015 school year and highlighted that while there was some growth and achievement gains for certain grades and cohorts, overall the scores were not all at acceptable levels despite the good teaching happening in the classrooms.

Discussion ensued.

Committee members thanked Dr. Fortuna for such an informative presentation and for her hard work in translating the data.

2. College Board – Dr. Brian Reagan and Angela Flynn

Principal Brian Reagan and Director of Guidance Angie Flynn presented a report on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and the ACT College Readiness Assessment tests. Their presentation highlighted the tests results for critical reading, math and writing overall and 5-year trends, individual student participation rate, class participation rate and score comparisons between Hudson High School students for previous years, as well as local districts comparisons.

Principal Brian Reagan and Director of Guidance Angie Flynn continued their presentation for the ACT College Readiness Assessment, a curriculum and standards-based educational and career planning tool that assesses students' academic readiness for college and consists of English, math, reading and writing. The presentation highlighted an SAT to ACT score conversion, advanced placement program, individual student participation rate, class participation rate and score comparisons between Hudson High School students and State and national test results.

3. Hudson High School Course of Studies – Brian Reagan and Angela Flynn

Principal Brian Reagan and Director of Guidance Angie Flynn presented an outline focusing on the additional courses and changes proposed for the 2016-2017 school year.

Mr. Reagan and Ms. Flynn highlighted the high school schedule, new course offerings, electives and graduation requirements.

A motion to approve the Hudson High School Program of Studies 2016-2017, as presented, was made by Mr. Luoto and seconded by Ms. Hallsworth. On a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

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VI. Matters for Action:

Reclassifications:

A motion to approve the reclassifications of funds, as presented, was made by Mr. Luoto and seconded by Ms. Tousignant Dufour. On a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

A motion to approve the reclassifications of funds, as presented, was made by Ms. Hay and seconded by Ms. Tousignant Dufour. On a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

VII. Items of Interest to the School Committee:

Mrs. O'Brien reported that Campaign Finance Report had been sent out by Town Clerk, Joan Wordell.

VIII. Executive Session/Adjournment

At 9:36 p.m., Committee Chair Jennifer O'Brien noted that there was no need for Executive Session.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Hay and seconded by Ms. Hallsworth. On a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Hallsworth, Secretary
Hudson School Committee