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**Hudson School Committee
Open Session Minutes**

Meeting Date: August 20, 2019

Location: 155 Aspley Street

Members present: Glenn Maston, Steven Smith, Adam Tracy, Nina Ryan, Matthew McDowell, and Michele Tousignant Dufour, Rebecca Weksner

Members absent:

Others present: Dr. Marco C. Rodrigues, Superintendent
Annamarie O'Donnell, Recording Secretary

I. Call the Meeting to Order: 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair, Glenn Maston.

II. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting: July 30, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes of July 30, 2019 was made by and seconded by. On a vote of , the motion passed. Michele/matt 6-0-1 nina abstained

III. Public Participation:

None

IV. Reports and Presentations

Report of the Superintendent: School Readiness Report

Dr. Rodrigues gave the following updates to the Committee:

Staff return Monday, students return Tuesday aug 27

New equipment arriving, buildings looking good- praise for staff and custodians

Hiring still going on, will continue, positions hard to find , ABA therapists are particularly hard to find

Transportation- new vendor- good start with the summer schools- bus routes will be published tomorrow, new methods of creating routes, routes will be posted with the start time of the routes, we will work with transportation the first week, hope to be able to post times for each stop the second week of school. After the routes are posted a school messenger will be sent to alert parents that the routes are posted

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Enrollment

August 13- 2597 36 new students since last Tuesday. Registration has been busy the month of August

Michele- asked if we were going to need any new staff hires Discussion ensued- monitoring enrollment very closely

New traffic patterns at HHS- first lane is now not available for drop off to leave the handicap spaces more accessible.

New Traffic pattern at Forest ave- partnered with safe routes o schools – better traffic pattern- bussess will enter through Forest and exit Woodrow- parent drop off will be the opposite

Nina asked about the sinage. Discussion ensued about the sinage.

Discussio ensued about Chaps usage of playground during drop off

Schedules and Class assignments

Elementary class assignments sent by mail last week

QMS and HHS- schedules are online- took feedback at parent forum and made some changes in Aspen. All parents are encouraged to register and have access to Aspen. We are working with parents to get them signed up.

Discussion ensued about who manages the help.

New Employee orientation for about 40 people joining HPS- 2 day event

Summer Leadership Institute last week- 32 people worked on leadership skills ad teamwork Also put together year 2 action steps. This will be presented at a future meeting

V. General Assembly on Monday at 8:30 in the morning Marco invied the SC members to join him

Marco introduced Jeff and Judy

Subcommittee Reports

Budget Subcommittee

none

Policy Subcommittee

None Meeting scheduled for Sept 10

Strategic Goals Subcommittee

none

Superintendent's Evaluation Subcommittee

VI. None State released revised evaluation guidelins for super evaluations, New field rep for MASC- tryig to schedule a workshop to go over these changes

Other:

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Discussion ensued about the terms of SC members and their start dates after an election. Glenn said it may take some time to work with the town but the super eval committee could certainly adjust timeline

Student Report

none

Matters for Discussion:

a) Old Business

1. Update of Calendar

Cycle rotation at the high school- discovered discrepancy in the rotation. Adjustment made and there is no impact on anything else

2. Petition to name the Hudson High School Library to honor former teacher Susan Menanson.

Report from buildings and grounds subcommittee- report documents th feedback we heard from people who came to speak about the petitions. Logistics were talked about, Subcommittee voted unanimously to support to move these back to the committee

Discussuion ensued about the lasting impact these individuals had on many different segments, studets, parents, colleagues

Notes from subcommittee meetings to be included in the packet. Discussion ensued about participation in the summer. And making sure we give an opportunity for all to participate.

Adam – did the subcommittee look at qualifying criteria for the future. Want to make sure there is a benchmark

Steve stated that this process followed what current policy says and would be taken up at the policy subcommittee.

3. Petition to name the Hudson High School Auditorium to honor former teacher Paul “Skip” Johnson

b) New Business

1. FY19 Q4 Student Activity Report

Reconcilitaion of the Q4 and ending of FY19 – town has certified to June 30

Matters for Action:

a) Old Business

1. Approval of School Committee Member Assignments

Glenn asked if Rebecca would want to take hisplace on strategic goals sub

Would like to have a sctmember as a laias

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Nina-HHS
Rebecca Forest
Matt quin
Adam Far
Glenn Mulready

Glenn/Nina 7-0

New Business

1. Approval of Contract with Focused Schools in the amount of \$38,725.00 for Professional Development and Executive Coaching
Discussion ensued about how we found this company Michele/adma
7-0
2. Approval of Hudson High School Grade 9 Trip to Washington D.C.
April 28, 2020- May 2, 2020
Marco-Recurring field trip
Discussion ensued about the change from grade 8-9 a few years ago
Discussion ensued about chaperones and professional expectations for chaperones- these expectations have been revised
Adam/Michele 7-0
3. Reclassification of Funds
First steve/adam 7-0
Second Michel/steve 7-0

Items of Interest to the School Committee

Nina- is there an update on the AC at Mulready- rumor that there is a problem.
Dr. Rodrigues stated he did not know of this rumor, install will be a combo of our internal people and the vendor

Steve- when will we see Year end financials for FY19. Last Thursday we received the cert from the town. This will be presented on sept 10

Michele- asked about agenda planning and if the time would stay the same- Glenn stated that all members are welcome- it's the weds prior at 4:30. Steve suggested that committee members give feedback on days/times if they're interested

Michele- asked about training for school councils. Marco said this was talked about last year but there is not new progress on that. He will look into it.

Glenn- newsletter will be sent out once again now that the summer is over. Will be looking for people to choose a month to help

Executive Session

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Not Needed

Adjournment

Motion steve/nina 7-0

At 7:56p.m. Committee Chair, Glenn Maston

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Tousignant Dufour, Secretary
Hudson School Committee

VII.

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