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**Hudson School Committee
Open Session Minutes**

Meeting Date: January 23, 2024
GoogleMeet

Location: Hudson High School and

Members present: Erica Ankstus, Molly MacKenzie, Chris Monsini, Steven Sharek, Steven Smith, Mark Terra-Salomão, Christopher Yates

Members present participating remotely:

Members absent:

Others present participating: Brian Reagan, Superintendent; Kathy Provost, Assistant Superintendent; Ellen Schuck; Dan Gale; Cathy Kilcoyne

I. Call the Meeting to Order: 7:03PM

II. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting January 09, 2024

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Terra-Salomão and seconded by Ms. MacKenzie.

The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Public Participation

- none

IV. Reports and Presentations

a) Student Presentation

Julian Ehlke, Hudson High School student , shared updates from the student body with the committee:

1. Previous Sports Events
2. Previous School Events
 - a. Friday, January 19 ~ Annual HPS Choral Fest at 6:30 pm in the auditorium
 - b. January 18-23 ~ Mid-Year Exams
3. Upcoming School Events
 - a. Fuel Up with a Candy Bar During Mid-Year Exams
 - i. Freshman class officers sold chocolate bars during the mid-year exam breaks on Friday, January 19, Monday, January 22, and Tuesday, January 23 for \$1.00 each.
 - b. Youth Hockey Night
 - i. Youth Hockey Players are invited to the Hudson/Tahanto vs. Leominster ice hockey game on Saturday, January 20th at 7:50 PM at the New England Sports Center
 - c. Jr Boosters Spring Craft and Vendor fair

- i. March 23, 2024 from 9 Am to 3 Pm, over 40 different vendors, fun kids activities, rales, and more
4. Community Council
 - a. DodgeBall Tournament
 - i. The council is working to organize the annual school wide dodgeball tournament. On March 8th, teams of six will compete against each other to fundraise for a specific cause.
 - b. Kiss Your Crush Fundraiser
 - i. During the week leading up to Valentine's day, students will be able to purchase Hershey Kisses that will be delivered to a student of their choice during the school day.
 - c. ARC Enrichments
 - i. The council is working hard to establish new ARC enrichments for students in the gym. Our main ideas are a basketball enrichment and a nap time enrichment.
5. Concerns of the Student Body:
 - a. The council is creating a Community Council Newsletter where students can access information about the council and directions to where they can make suggestions.

b) Report of the Superintendent

• District Updates

Dr. Brian Reagan, Superintendent, presented updates to the committee. Topics included: Music and Theatre Spotlight, Worcester County Superintendent's Legislative Meeting, Transportation Bids, Upcoming Events. A copy of his memo and presentations were included in the packet.

Discussion ensued.

c) Subcommittee Reports:

- Budget Subcommittee**
none
- Policy Subcommittee**
none
- Strategic Goals Subcommittee**
Met with Tom Gregory, Town Executive, 1/16/2024
- Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee**
none
- Superintendent's Evaluation Subcommittee**
none
- Student Advisory Subcommittee**
none

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V. *Matters for Discussion* This section, V.a, was taken after Matters for Action

a. Old Business

1. FY25 Budget Development Update

Discussion ensued.

b. New Business

1. None

VI. Matters for Action

a. Old Business

1. None

b. *New Business* This section, VI.b, was taken before Matters for Discussion

1. Overnight Field Trip: HHS Drama Society to New York City, New York, from April 9, 2024 to April 10, 2024

A motion to approve the trip was made by Mr. Terra-Salomão and seconded by Mr. Sharek

On a unanimous vote the trip was approved.

2. Approval of Program of Studies 2024-2025

A motion to approve the Program of Studies for 2024-2025 was made by Ms. MacKenzie and seconded by Mr. Terra-Salomão.

On a unanimous vote the 24-25 POS was approved.

VII. Items of Interest to the School Committee

Mr. Smith MASC is doing a session on Proposition 2 ½ on February 2nd. If folks are interested he will share the invitation.

VIII. Executive Session

Mr. Smith made a motion to go into executive session, and not return to open meeting, pursuant M.G.L. c. 30A section 21(a) for the following purposes:

Purpose (3): to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Hudson Paraeducator Association, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares.

Ms. MacKenzie seconded the motion.

Approved unanimously.

Public Meeting Ended at 8:54PM.

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IX. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Terra-Salomão, Secretary
Hudson School Committee