Hudson School Committee Open Session Minutes

Meeting Date: March 26, 2024 Location: Hudson High School and GoogleMeet

Members present: Erica Ankstitus, Chris Monsini, Steven Sharek, Steven Smith

Members present participating remotely:

Members absent: Molly MacKenzie, Mark Terra-Salomão, Chris Yates

Others present participating: Brian Reagan, Superintendent; Kathy Provost, Assistant

Superintendent; Ellen Schuck; Dan Gale; Robert Knittle

I. Call the Meeting to Order: 7:02PM

II. Approval of Minutes:

• Regular School Committee Meeting March 12, 2024

A motion to approve the 03/12/24 minutes was made by Mr. Sharek and seconded by Mr. Monsini. The 3/12/24 SC minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Public Participation

IV.

none

Reports and Presentations

a) Student Presentation

Angelina Percuoco and Julian Ehlke, Hudson High School students, shared updates from the student body with the committee:

1. Previous Events:

- a. Wednesday, March 20: Parent/Teacher Conference Sign-ups closed at 11:00 PM
- b. Thursday, March 21: Outdoor Club fly fishing lessons were held after school in the gym
- c. Saturday, March 23: Spring Craft and Vendor Fair went from 9:00 am-3:00 pm
- d. Monday, March 25: Deadline to submit Scribbler submissions
- e. Tuesday, March 26: ELA MCAS testing for Grades 8 and 10 Reverse half day for non-testers (1 more day to go)

2. Upcoming Events:

- a. Wednesday, March 27: ELA MCAS testing for Grades 8 and 10 Reverse half day for non-testers (Grades 9, 11, and 12), last day!
- b. Wednesday, March 27: Annual Trivia Night sponsored by Interact Club at 5:30 pm

- c. Thursday, March 28: Deadline to submit local scholarship applications
- d. Friday, March 29: No School Good Friday

3. School Events:

a. Joseph L. Mulready National Junior Honor Society

The Joseph L. Mulready Chapter of the NJHS inducted 29 new members during a ceremony on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. The Hudson High Faculty Selection Committee chose each new member based on their outstanding scholarship, leadership, character, service, and citizenship. Congratulations to all!

b. Senior Class Lock In

The Senior Class of 2024 is having a lock in on Thursday, March 28, 2024, from 6:30 PM to 11:30 PM. At this lock in series of scheduled events will go on at Hudson High School

c. Supporting the Senior Class

A fundraiser that is being held with JOHN'S CRAZY SOCKS, where you can shop thousands of socks at www.johnscrazysocks.com. The HHS Class of 2024 receives 10% of net sales. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

4. Concerns of the Student Body:

The council is still creating a Community Council Newsletter where students can access information about the council and directions to where they can make suggestions.

We are also still collecting suggestions both in a community council suggestion box, and on our website.

b) Report of the Superintendent

• District Updates

Dr. Brian Reagan, Superintendent, presented updates to the committee. Topics included: School Bus Storage Follow-Up, Band Fest, Legislative Breakfast, and Superintendent's Award. A copy of his memo and presentations were included in the packet.

Discussion ensued.

c) Subcommittee Reports:

- Budget Subcommittee none
- Policy Subcommittee
- Strategic Goals Subcommittee

none

• Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee

none

• Superintendent's Evaluation Subcommittee

• Student Advisory Subcommittee None

Item VI.b.1, Matters for Action, was discussed ahead of Matters for Discussion

V. Matters for Discussion

a. Old Business

1. FY25 Budget Development Update

Dr. Reagan introduced Mr. Dan Gale, Director of Finance and Operations. They shared updates and discussion ensued.

b. New Business

1. Mathematics Curriculum Update

Dr. Reagan introduced Mr. Bob Knittle, Director of Mathematics. Mr. Knittle shared the update with the committee. Copies of his topics were included in the packet.

VI. Matters for Action

- a. Old Business
 - 1. None

b. New Business

1. Approval of Field Trip: Overnight Trip for Freshmen and Sophomore Classes to Washington D.C., from October 8, 2024 to October 11, 2024.

Mr. Sharek made a motion to approve the Field Trip to Washington D. C. and was seconded by Mr. Monsini. The field trip was approved unanimously.

2. Approval of Field Trip: Overnight UNESCO Conference for 3 Young Scientist students to Santarem, Portugal in January 2025.

A motion to approve the UNESCO Conference was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Sharek. On a unanimous vote the UNESCO Conference was approved.

VII. Items of Interest to the School Committee

VIII. Executive Session

IX. Adjournment

Mr. Sharek made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Ms. Ankstitus. On a unanimous vote the committee adjourned at 9:01PM.

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