

HAMPTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
HAMPTON, CT 06247  
MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018  
7:00 PM  
HAMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER

Board Chair Rose Bisson called the meeting to order at 7:09pm. Members present were Maryellen Donnelly, Mark Becker, Matthew Flegert, Ann Gruenberg, Susan Lovegreen, Staci Ropka and Wesley Wilcox at 7:22 pm. Also, present Superintendent Frank Olah, Principal Sam Roberson and Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux.

2. **Audience for Staff and Citizens - None**
3. **Written Communications to Board – None** Ann Gruenberg moved to move item 13 to 3a, item 8 to 3b, and 9 to 3c. Maryellen Donnelly seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
  - a. **Review and Possible Action on UCONN’s School of Education Request for HES to Become Part of a Study -** Sandra Flores-Gonzales and Dr. Devin Kearns provided the board with a presentation on how Hampton students can become a part of a UCONN Study of Interventions and Neuroimaging for Polysyllabic Word Reading, that would provide them with reading intervention at no cost. Sandra Flores-Gonzales and Dr. Devin Kearns fielded all the questions that the board had. **Maryellen Donnelly moved to approve the UCONN request to have Hampton Elementary School participate in the Interventions and Neuroimaging for Polysyllabic Word Reading Study. Ann Gruenberg seconded and the motion passed with the following vote:**  
**Yes: Maryellen Donnelly, Matthew Flegert, Ann Gruenberg, Susan Lovegreen, Staci Ropka, and Wesley Wilcox**  
**Abstain: Mark Becker**
  - b. **Discussion and Possible Action on Hiring Shelley Duchesne as Special Education Teacher February 15<sup>th</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> –** Maryellen Donnelly moved to hire Shelley Duchesne as Special Education Teacher at 6<sup>th</sup> year step 5 from February 16, 2018 to June 30, 2018. Ann Gruenberg seconded and it passed unanimously.
  - c. **Discussion and Possible Action on Hiring Rebecca Moran as Art Teacher from March 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> –** Maryellen Donnelly moved to hire Rebecca Jean Moran for the position of .6 Art teacher at 6<sup>th</sup> year step 12 effective February 26, 2018. Mark Becker seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **Approval of 02/08/18 Minutes –** Ann Gruenberg moved to approve the February 7, 2018 minutes. Maryellen Donnelly seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
5. **Superintendent Reports/Recommendations –** Superintendent Frank Olah reviewed his report with the board and discussed his modified schedule with the board.
6. **Principal Reports and PTO Update –** Principal Sam Roberson reviewed her report with the board and brought to the attention of the board the new teacher program called Teacher Educator And Mentoring (TEAM) program. She also shared the classroom newsletters and PTO Meeting Agenda with the board.
7. **Business Coordinator’s Report –** Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux reviewed her reports with the board and answered questions concerning the cafeteria table funding.
8. **Discussion and Possible Action on Hiring Shelley Duchesne as Special Education Teacher February 15<sup>th</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> –** moved to item 3b.
9. **Discussion and Possible Action on Hiring Rebecca Moran as Art Teacher from March 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> –** moved to item 3c.
10. **2018-2019 School Calendar –** Mark Becker moved to approve the HES calendar as presented at the January board meeting. Matthew Flegert seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mark Becker and Matthew Flegert withdrew their motions. Tabled till the next meeting.
11. **Review of 2018-2019 Draft Budget –** Superintendent Frank Olah provided the board with a draft 2018-2019 budget. The board discussed items of the budget and made adjustments to line items. Staci Ropka left at 8:55 pm.
12. **Committee and Representative Reports/Recommendations:**
  - a. **Board Committees**
    - Communications –** Nothing to report on this time.
    - Finance & Operations –** Mark Becker informed the board that the committee met and they are working on the budget.

**Policies** – Ann Gruenberg informed the board that the committee met and there are no new policies to present at this time.

**b. Ad Hoc Committees**

**Program Review** – Nothing to report

**Job Description Committee** – Rose Bisson reported to the board that the committee has met.

**c. Liaison Reports**

**CABE** – Ann Gruenberg reported to the board on recent CABE events and upcoming CABE events including “Day on the Hill.”

**EASTCONN** – Maryellen Donnelly reported to the board on the last meeting and informed the board that she would provide them with copies of the packet she received.

13. **Review and Possible Action on UCONN’s School of Education Request for HES to Become Part of a Study** – moved to item 3a.
14. **Additions to The Agenda** - None
15. **Audience for Citizens** - None
16. **Next Agenda Planning**
  - a. **Calendar**
  - b. **Budget**
17. **Adjournment** - Mark Becker moved to adjourn at 9:30 pm. and Wesley Wilcox seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Rachel Linkkila**

**3-1-18**

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