



HAVERHILL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, December 12, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.

This meeting was recorded.

Mayor James J. Fiorentini opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Present were: Mr. Joseph Bevilacqua, Attorney Magliocchetti, Mr. Scott Wood, Mr. Raymond Sierpina, Mr. James F. Scully, Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Mary Malone, Assistant Superintendent. Mr. Shaun Toohey (arrived at 7:30 p.m.) and Mrs. Susan Danehy (arrived at 7:09 p.m.) were recorded as absent.

Mayor Fiorentini moved up Item 3B, Commissioner of Education Mitchel Chester.

Commissioner of Education Mitchell Chester regarding PARCC

Commissioner Chester recognized Superintendent Scully for his programs, the work the faculty is doing, and where we are headed with our curriculum frameworks. He discussed the newly adopted standards or curriculum frameworks and what it means to be literate in English, Math and Science. He explained the new pilot program of testing which they will reevaluate after two years of field testing to see if they prefer it over MCAS. The tests are designed to make sure the students graduate from school and are ready for success after high school to pursue a higher education. It will make sure students are on track for employment or higher education. He expressed how he is impressed with our schools and the high school program.

Public Participation

None at this time.

Communication and Reports:

Student Advisory Council Report – Jillian Zuber

Emma Yates informed members of the high school play "The Ghost of Christmas Past", the coffee house held last week and of winter sports beginning.

Hillie Fuel Check Presentation by John Maddox, M.D. and Thomas O'Brien

Dr. Maddox and Mr. O'Brien discussed the program which encouraged physical activity. Four teams competed that were comprised of two high school students and four staff members. The program was fully funded through a grant from a foundation that puts an emphasis on health and physical well-being. St. James placed first receiving a \$1,000 prize with Golden Hill placing second receiving a \$500 prize. Haverhill High and Consentino came in third and fourth respectively. Wrist bands provided by Nike were worn to track daily exercise. Expansion of the program is being discussed. A check was presented to St. James Principal DePaolo.

Superintendent Comments/Reports

Mr. Scully recognized High School Principal Bernard Nangle for his service these past seven years. A portrait of the Golden Gates at the high school was presented to him in recognition of his service to the students. Mr. Scully announced he has appointed Beth Kitsos as Acting Principal

Acceptance of Anonymous Donation

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mrs. Danehy to accept the anonymous donation in the amount of \$25,000. A verbal vote indicated all in favor with a request to send a letter of appreciation.

Motion passes.

Approval of Submission of PARC Grant to benefit the Stadium - Thomas O'Brien, Director of Athletics, Physical Education and Health

Moved by Attorney Magliocchetti and seconded by Mr. Bevilacqua to table this item indicating with a delay there will be no impact on funds. A verbal vote indicated all in favor.

Motion passes.

Presentation and Acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report (ending November 30, 2013)

Mr. Scully reviewed the monthly financial report provided by Mr. O'Connor. He explained the impact from the previous year's deficit and requested actions taken to ensure the budget remains balanced. Line items discussed were transportation increases, special education, and the substitute program. He discussed alternatives of layoffs if these transfers were not approved.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Bevilacqua to approve the additional City Council appropriation in the amount of \$339,000 which includes additional School Medicaid (\$89,000) and Chapter 70 (\$270,000). A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Bevilacqua to approve additional School Revenue from Circuit Breaker in the amount of \$405,361. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mrs. Danehy to approve the City Council Appropriation Reduction in the amount of \$500,000. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mrs. Danehy to approve the November 30, 2013 Budget Report as presented. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mrs. Danehy to approve the amended FY14 budget appropriation totaling \$90,754,156. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Mr. John Sullivan of Melanson Heath and Company P.C. discussed the plan laid out including the cuts to the substitute line item. Accounts are being monitored and reviewed on a monthly basis to see that the budget is in balance. Mayor Fiorentini indicated if there were to be a surplus at year end he would ask the City Council to put funds in a reserve account.

Mr. Scully informed members of the Kahn Academy at the high school which is a pilot study in Algebra I.

School Committee Communications

Approved 01.09.14

Mr. Bevilacqua

- Recognition of Haverhill High School Graduates.
Marc Benedetti was recognized as a HHS graduate who received a Small Business Award from Steve Harvey as the best deli in America.

Subcommittee Reports

None at this time.

Old Business:

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to remove from the table the minutes of the Regular Meetings of June 27, 2013; July 25, 2013; August 15, 2013; September 12, 2013; September 26, 2013; October 17, 2013 and the August 29, 2013 Joint Meeting of the Hunking School Building Committee and the Haverhill School Committee. A verbal vote indicated all in favor.

Motion passes.

Mr. Bevilacqua asked to remove the August 29 minutes and correct as he indicated. He would forward the correction.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to accept the change in the minutes. A verbal vote indicated all in favor.

Mr. Wood requested of the Superintendent to receive the minutes more timely.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve all the minutes. A verbal vote indicated all in favor.

Motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the invoice for Melanson Heath and Company, P.C. in the amount of \$12,000 as part of the financial review of the school department. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

New Business:

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve Warrant Number EV20131213A totaling \$413,584.63 and EV20131213B totaling \$3,578.00. A roll call vote was held with the following results.

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Not Present	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve a contract for Melanson Heath & Company, P.C. in the amount of \$7,800 for completion of the school district's end of the year report. A roll call vote was held with the following results.

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Not present	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Items by Consensus

Approval of use of facilities:

Approved 01.09.14

- Requested by Sensei Marc T. Hicks of the 5 Dragons Martial Arts Academy for the use of the Haverhill High School Gym on April 6, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for Karate Tournament.
 - Process Fee: \$ 10.00
 - Utility Fee: \$ 20.00 per hour
 - Custodial Fee \$ 45.00 weekend rate per hour
 - Rental Fee: \$100.00 per event
- Requested by Sensei Marc T. Hicks of the 5 Dragons Martial Arts Academy for the use of the Haverhill High School Gym on February 23, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for Martial Arts Seminar.
 - Process Fee: \$ 10.00
 - Utility Fee: \$ 20.00 per hour
 - Custodial Fee \$ 45.00 weekend rate per hour
 - Rental Fee: \$100.00 per event
- Requested by Lauren Sprague of the Spotlight Playhouse for the use of the Haverhill High School Auditorium on June 8, 9,10,11,12, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for Dress Rehearsal and June 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 22, 2014 for performance of Music Man Play.
 - Process Fee: \$ 10.00
 - Utility Fee: \$ 20.00 per hour
 - Custodial Fee \$ 30.00 per hour
 - Custodial Fee \$ 45.00 weekend rate per hour
 - Rental Fee: \$100.00 per event

Moved by Mr. Bevilacqua and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the Use of Facilities. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Bevilacqua	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. A verbal vote indicated all in favor.

Motion passes.

List of Documents: School Committee Agenda; Hillie Fuel Program Information; PARCC background information; News Article on "Best Deli in America" Award to Benedetti's Deli; Minutes; Invoice from Melanson Heath & Company P.C.; Warrants; Contract for Melanson Heath & Company P.C.; Use of Facilities