



**Haverhill Public Schools - School Committee
Hybrid Regular Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2022**

Roll Call - Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Wood, Chairperson Pro Tem called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and requested a roll call of the members:

Attorney Rosa	Present in person	Ms. Sullivan	Present in person
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Present remotely	Attorney Magliocchetti	Present in person
Mr. Wood	Present in person	Mrs. Sapienza Donais, Vice Chair	Absent
Mayor Fiorentini, Chair	Absent		

Dr. Margaret Marotta, Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Michael Pfifferling, Assistant Superintendent of Schools were also in attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Wood read an act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency was signed by Governor Baker and allows for remote meetings and hearings by public bodies through July 15, 2022. This meeting will be available via live streaming over HCTV and WHAV. The full meeting recording will be posted on the HCTV website.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the attendees.

Communications/Reports.

Public Comment (In-person & Remote).

Ms. Alicia Smolar, 2 Edwin Street, Haverhill, MA, a parent addressed the committee regarding safety and Alice drills and the ineffectiveness of the safety protocols in our schools. She did not want pandering regarding these issues.

Mr. Stephen Costa, 18 Laurel Avenue, Haverhill, MA a parent was pleased with the recent budget approval and the increased funding. He was appalled by the manner in which a case of harassment of a transgender student was handled by the high school principal and/administration. Mr. Costa related that the student involved was a friend’s child. He expressed concern regarding the upcoming Consentino School Building Project and recommended the hiring of a project manager.

Student Advisory Council Report ~ Sean Wynn. Sean stated that summer school would begin on July 6, 2022 and the track team was having a very successful season. The committee wished Sean a happy summer break.

Superintendent Comments/Reports.

COVID Update.

Dr. Marotta related that the cases were down since it was summer break.

Consentino School Building Committee Update.

The superintendent reported that the MSBA had voted to advance the project to the schematic design phase. She was pleased with the project’s progress and noted ongoing meetings including school building committee meetings that continued to be held on a regular basis. Dr. Marotta expressed excitement with the project and would provide dates for future meetings.

Scholarship Recommendations.

A motion was made by Attorney Rosa to approve the scholarship recommendations [School Committee Scholarship Awards Listing Approved 06.23.22.pdf](#). Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion.

Mr. Wood asked for a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
0 members voted in the negative
0 members abstained

Motion passes

School Committee Reports/Communications.

Mrs. Sapienza Donais: 2022 MASC Conference Attendance and Registration.

Mr. Wood commented Mrs. Sapienza Donais was in quarantine and unable to attend tonight’s meeting. He related that this was an excellent conference and asked members to consider attendance.

Mrs. Sapienza Donais: Facilities Update on the Tilton School bathroom doors and air conditioning at Pentucket Lake Elementary School (room 313).

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to table this item until the next meeting. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Wood asked for a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
0 members voted in the negative
0 members abstained

Motion passes

Attorney Rosa: Introduction of Deborah Ibanez, executive director of student support services, to discuss the findings of the Tiered Focus Monitoring Report from DESE in the areas of Special Education and Civil Rights. He acknowledged the 100% implementation in this program.

Ms. Ibanez indicated that Special Education Supervisor Matthew Scanlon was also present to assist with the presentation to the school committee [TFM.6.23.22.pdf](#).

Ms. Sullivan congratulated Ms. Ibanez and thanked her for the hard work.

Dr. Marotta extended appreciation to Ms. Ibanez, Mr. Scanlon and the entire special education team on the monitoring report results and commended their diligence over the past few years in redesigning the department along with providing the best possible services for the students. She acknowledged the committee’s commitment through allocation of resources to these improvements.

Attorney Magliocchetti commended Ms. Ibanez and her team for the fantastic results.

Ms. Ibanez extended her gratitude to Dr. Marotta for her leadership, guidance and contribution to the positive results.

Mr. Wood acknowledged Ms. Ibanez’s effectiveness in her role and recognized Dr. Marotta’s expertise in this area.

Subcommittee Reports.

Finance Subcommittee Update ~ Mr. Wood.

Mr. Wood referenced the request from Assistant Superintendent Pfifferling for approval of end of year financial transfers [FY22 Budget Closeout Transfers 6-23-22.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve the financial transfers. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained

Motion passes

Mr. Wood noted that the finance subcommittee was recommending a per diem contract through the month of July for the assistant director of facilities.

A motion was made by Attorney Rosa to approve the per diem contract (July 2022) for the assistant director of facilities. Attorney Magliocchetti seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained

Motion passes

Maintenance Subcommittee Update ~ Attorney Magliocchetti & Mrs. Sapienza Donais.

Attorney Magliocchetti stated there was no report at this meeting, but with regard to Tilton School bathroom doors the installation had been delayed and there would be continued follow-up at a future meeting.

New Business.

Superintendent’s Recommendation to approve Warrant Number EV20220610 & and EV20220610B totaling \$1,700,297.14 as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve Warrant Number EV20220610 & and EV20220610B [SC WARRANT EV20220610 .pdf](#) totaling \$1,700,297. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained

Motion passes

Superintendent’s Recommendation to approve Warrant Number EV20220624 & and EV20220624B totaling \$1,181,142.33 as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve Warrant Number EV20220624 & and EV20220624B [Detail Warrant EV20220624 and EV20220624B.pdf Combined Warrant EV20220624 and EV20220624B.pdf](#) totaling \$1,181,142.33. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
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Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained
 Motion passes

Superintendent’s Recommendation to declare items surplus (as indicated in the agenda material) and dispose of in accordance with city ordinances.

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to declare items surplus as indicated in agenda material. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion.

Attorney Magliocchetti withdrew the motion since the item had inadvertently not been included in the printed meeting materials (only in the electronic version).

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to table this item. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained
 Motion passes

Items by Consensus.

Superintendent’s Recommendation for Approval of Items by Consensus as indicated in the agenda material:

the Hybrid FY23 Budget Public Hearing & Regular Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2022, [Final Edit Hybrid School Committee FY23 Budget & Hybrid Regular Meeting 06.02.22.pdf](#);
 Use of Facilities [UOF 06.23.22 \(1\) \(1\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve the items by consensus. Attorney Rosa seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained
 Motion passes

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to go into executive session (7:34 pm) to hear a level 3 grievance from a member of the custodial unit and to discuss the contract renewal for a non-unit staff member. The committee will reconvene in open session to confirm any actions taken in executive session. Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello seconded the motion. Mr. Wood requested a roll call vote:

Attorney Rosa	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes	Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes
Mr. Wood	Yes		

5 members voted in the affirmative
 0 members voted in the negative
 0 members abstained
 Motion passes