

HADLEY SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
HADLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS 01035  
June 24, 2024

Zoom Meeting: 5:30 PM – [Regular Meeting recording](#)

***Hadley Public Schools – We are guided by the mission to provide a safe and supportive environment that fosters cooperation, critical thinking, creativity, and integrity; and educating students to contribute positively to a global society.***

Present: H. Fasihuddin, T. Brugger, E. Percy, C. Pipczynski, A. McKenzie, Chris Desjardins

Student Representative: N/A

Absent: P. Phifer

Guests: Hadley Media representative; David Fill, Select Board member and liaison to the SC,

**1. Call to Order: 5:31pm:**

***Motion: Pipczynski                      Second: Percy                      Vote: 4-0-0***

**2. Adjustments to the Agenda**

A. McKenzie informed SC members that there are no minutes for approval, they will be provided at the July meeting

**3. [Public Comment](#)** – Chair Fasihuddin asked for any public comment. She noted that there were no requests to make a statement or comment.

**4. Presentations/Discussion Items**

a. [Superintendent Summative Evaluation 2023-24](#). School Committee members thanked Superintendent McKenzie for her work and as required by law evaluated her performance on the four standards as follows

Standard 1: Instructional Leadership - Exemplary

Standard 2: Management and Operations - Exemplary

Standard 3: Family and Community - Exemplary

Standard 4: Professional Culture - Exemplary

Overall Rating: Exemplary

Chair Fasihuddin stated that even with an overall exemplary rating, Dr. McKenzie continues to strive for continuous improvement.

***ACTION: Move to rate Hadley School Superintendent Anne S. McKenzie at an “Exemplary” rating for four performance standards and include Exemplary overall rating for 2023-2024:***

***Motion: Pipczynski                      Second: Percy                      Vote: 4-0-0***

b. [2024-25 SY Calendar Adjustments](#).- The School Committee considered adjustments to the 2024-25 School Year calendar, moving the Hopkins Academy open house to September 19, 2024 with a half day comp time for teachers on September 20<sup>th</sup>.

***ACTION: Approve the 2024-25 School Year calendar as presented:***

***Motion: Pipczynski                      Second: Percy                      Vote: 4-0-0***

c. Business Manager Report: C. Desjardins reviewed the linked reports, stating that the end of the fiscal year is approaching. There were no concerns voiced by SC members.

i. [Expense](#)

ii. Revolving

iii. [Grants](#)

iv. [Geothermal Project](#) Update: Mr. Desjardins summarized that the drilling ended up at 170 of clay before hitting bedrock at 210 feet. Total drilling was 800 feet. He explained that going deeper would result in the need for few holes to provide heating sources, ultimately saving money. They now have enough information to begin the study. A.McKenzie is working with Sara Ross to set up a visit to the Smith College geothermal project. She also reminded the community in general that a workbook is accessible via the link ([Geothermal Project](#)). This provides updates to the project that is easily accessible to all.

**5. Action Items (other than those covered in previous discussions.)**

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- a. Approval of payroll and expense warrants – these have been reviewed by SC member Percy

**ACTION: Approve payroll and expense warrants:**

**Motion: Percy      Second: Pipczynski      Vote: 4-0-0**

**6. School Committee Updates and General Announcements**

- a. Playground – T. Brugger gave an update on the progress of the playground project. Donor recognition is being worked on. Information can be found on the link: [Playground](#)  
SEPAC – no update  
CES - Todd Gazda will stay on as Executive Director
- b. Finance – Chair Fasihuddin – no news
- c. Fields – Mr. Desjardins stated that the a final punch list of work has been submitted to Omasta.
- d. Capital – Pipczynski – no report
- e. Policy – Percy – Policy Subcommittee is reviewing the Home School policy. The final version will be brought to the full SC in the near future.
- f. General Announcements
- i. [Outstanding Alum HA](#) A. McKenzie shared the linked flyer.
- ii. Summer Reads - The Coddling of the American Mind and The Anxious Generation – copies are available for SC members in the Central Office
- iii. Chair Fasihuddin introduced new Selectboard member David Fill who will act as the Selectboard Liaison to the School Committee.

5. **Executive Session (6:19pm)** – The Chair entertained a motion to enter executive session to discuss contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and to return to open session.

**Motion: Pipczynski      Second Brugger**

**Roll Call Vote: Pipczynski-yes; Percy-yes; Brugger-yes; Fasihuddin-yes**

6:49pm – Return to open session:

Approve all recommendations pertinent to salary adjustments, as presented.

**Motion: Pipczynski      Second Brugger**

**Roll Call Vote: Pipczynski-yes; Percy-yes; Brugger-yes; Fasihuddin-yes**

6. **Next Meeting Date** – July 22, 2024 is the next regular school committee with policy subcommittee meeting at 4:30

7. **Adjourn Regular Meeting: 6:55pm**

**Motion: Percy      Second: Brugger      Vote 4-0-0**