

**HADLEY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HADLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS 01035
July 22, 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, P. Phifer, C. Pipczynski, A. McKenzie, Chris Desjardins

Student Representative: N/A

Absent: None

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

1. Call to Order: 5:31pm:

Motion: Percy

Second: Pipczynski

Vote: 5-0-0

Due to internet outages throughout the country, Chair Fasihuddin suggested an abbreviated agenda.

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

A. McKenzie informed SC members that they will be voting on items 5C, 5E & 5F. She will give an abbreviated review of the remaining items, reorganizing the SC will be discussed at a future 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. School Committee Reorganization – tabled until next meeting

b. [Capital plan](#) is due to the town by Aug 6, the capital plan has not changed significantly since the last review. Adjustments made would reduce the amount of the town capital requests from the previous ten-year plan. The School Committee will have time to review and remove items before Special Town meeting.

c. [MTA Press Release](#) - speaks to recent negotiations and demonstrated good working relationships between labor and management. C. Pipczynski requests to add a statement from the School Committee saying that the SC recognizes, respects and values the work of our Educational Support Professionals and want to recognize them. SC supported adding this statement in the press release.

d. [NEASC Membership](#) – more discussion at a future meeting.

e. [Superintendent Updates](#) – linked here and sent to School Committee on a regular basis and always available for public view via the SC agenda and minutes.

f. Acceptance of in-kind donation (time, equipment, and expertise) from Valley Excavating for Playground Project in the amount of \$26,070 – this is for site prep work to the playground area. SC thanked the Fill family for the donation. SC also thanked the Town of Hadley Department of Public Works for their work.

Action Item: Approve in kind donation from Valley Excavating for the playground project in the amount of \$26,070. Motion: Pipczynski Second: Percy Vote: 5-0-0

g. [CPA Request](#) for HES Playground – an application will be made to CPA to cover expense of matts for playground equipment.

h. First Reading District Policy [IHGB](#) (Homeschooling) – This will be brought back to School Committee for second read, discussion and vote.

i. [Green School Works Grant Program](#) and [Select Energy Proposal](#) – A. McKenzie has attended informational sessions and is tracking when we can apply for this grant, if eligible.

j. Business Manager Report – No report

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

a. Approval of 2024-2034 School Department Capital Plan – passed over.

b. Acceptance of donation from Valley Excavating – as noted above

c. Withdrawal from NEASC – passed over.

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- d. Approval of CPA proposal – No Action
- e. Approval of payroll and expense warrants
 - Payroll Warrants: Motion: Pipczynski Second: Brugger Vote: 5-0-0**
 - Expense Warrants: Motion: Percy Second: Pipczynski Vote: 5-0-0**
- f. Approval of SC Minutes ([May 20, 2024](#) and [June 24, 2024](#)) taken as a group
 - Motion: Pipczynski Second: Percy Vote: 5-0-0**
- 6. School Committee Updates and General Announcements – None
- 7. Executive Session – No executive session
- 8. Next Meeting Date – August 27, 2024 @ 5:00 pm School Committee Retreat Location TBD
- 9. Adjourn Regular Meeting: (6:00pm)
 - Motion: Pipczynski Second: Percy Vote 4-0-0 (Phifer left meeting prior to adjournment)**

Approved 09.23.2024