

**HADLEY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HADLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS 01035
Minutes- May 23, 2022**

Zoom Meeting;

5:30 PM – Regular Meeting

Present: Fasihuddin, Brugger, Pipczynski, Phifer, McKenzie, Desjardins

Absent: Percy

1. Call to Order

Brugger made a motion to open the meeting at 5:30 pm. Pipczynski seconded and the vote carried 3-0-0.

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

McKenzie said that the agenda items would be rearranged.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Presentations/Discussion Items

a. Reorganization of the School Committee

Fasihuddin welcomed Pipczynski and made the following suggestions:

- i. Chair (current Fasihuddin)- Fasihuddin said she would be willing to stay on as chair.
- ii. Vice Chair (current Phifer)- Fasihuddin nominated Phifer to continue as vice chair.
- iii. Warrant Signer (current Percy)- Fasihuddin
- iv. Finance Liaison (current Percy)- Fasihuddin said she would like to serve on Finance
- v. Policy (current Brugger and Fasihuddin)- Fasihuddin suggested Pipczynski and Percy
- vi. CES (current Fasihuddin)- Fasihuddin suggested Brugger serve
- vii. Fields and Capital (Phifer)- Fasihuddin said he would like to remain on this committee due to his experience with the fields project.

Phifer and Brugger agreed with Fasihuddin's recommendations.

McKenzie read the reorganization assignments as follows

Chair: Fasihuddin

Vice Chair: Phifer

Finance: Fasihuddin

Warrant Signer: Fasihuddin

Policy: Percy and Pipczynski

CES- Brugger

Fields & Capital- Phifer

Brugger made a motion to approve the reorganization as presented. Phifer seconded and the vote carried 4-0-0.

b. 2024 Europe Field Trip Proposal

Burns shared a proposal for a field trip to Italy and Germany for 9 days. He provided reasons for changing the company, one of which was that the hotel stays were in the cities, cutting down on bus travel time. The company also offers trip scholarship assistance and cultural immersion. Fasihuddin asked about fundraising efforts. Burns responded. Brugger asked about the

participation number. Burns responded that he could take as many students who wanted to go. It was noted that students could also receive college credits for the trip. Phifer made a motion to approve the trip as presented. Brugger seconded and the vote carried 4-0-0.

c. **Capital Plan - Action/Vote**

McKenzie said that Collier, who is working on the Facilities Report, has a MSBA specialist who will be meeting with Desjardins and McKenzie.

5. Business Manager Reports

- a. **Expense-** Desjardins explained the reasoning and resolution for accounts that are under or over budget. He provided estimates for expenses for the remainder of the year. Desjardins said the district budget was in good shape.
- b. **Revolving-** Desjardins said there was an increase in the food services account and it is expected that the student activity account balance would decrease toward the end of the year. Phifer asked about the federal funds for lunch services as compared to the previous budget funds for food services.
- c. **Grant-** Desjardins mentioned the addition of a new grant. He said that many of the grants would be spent down by the end of the fiscal year. Fasihuddin asked if the grants that rollover could be stipulated with “spend by” dates.
- d. **Lunch Price Increases-** to be discussed at the next meeting

6. First Reading of Policy KF- Building Use

Brugger provided updates on the adjustments to the policies to include Cal Ripkin as a school club and removal of specific times for custodial use fee. Fasihuddin asked if there were any questions from SC members.

7. School Committee Reports/Discussion

- a. **Finance –** Percy was not present and McKenzie said there was nothing new to report. She thanked the Town for their generous support to the schools.
- b. **Policy –** Brugger informed the new Policy Committee members as to the policies next on the agenda for review
- c. **CES –** Fasihuddin asked McKenzie to inform CES that Brugger is the new rep.
- d. **Fields and Capital –** McKenzie said that Berkshire Design was aware of the CPA deadline in September and the cost estimates should be ready at that time. McKenzie thanked the Hadley Mother’s Club would be donating to the Fields Project.

8. Announcements

- a. **Congratulations and Thank You to Donald Pip - Bus Driver for Hadley Students for 50 Years**
- b. **Memorial Day Parade in Hadley –** SC members will march. McKenzie will let the Town Administrator know.

9. Action Items

- a. **Approval of Minutes of April 25, 2022-** Motion: Brugger; Second: Phifer; Vote: 4-0-0.
- b. **Approval of AP Warrants for April 2022-** Motion: Brugger; Second: Phifer; Vote: 4-0-0.

- c. Approval of Warrants for April 2022- Motion: Brugger; Pipczynski; Vote: 3-0-1. Phifer abstains.

10. Next Meeting Dates

June 20, 2022 @ 5pm - Policy Subcommittee

June 20, 2022 @ 5:30 pm - Regular School Committee Meeting

10. Convene Executive Session

Move to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; and to reconvene in open session.

Roll Call Vote: Fasihuddin X Brugger X Pipczynski X Phifer X Percy- absent

- 11. Phifer made a motion to approve President's Day and Patriot's Day as paid holidays for all Hadley Public School employees. Brugger seconded and the motion carried 4-0-0.

12. Adjourn Regular Meeting 6:23 pm

Brugger made a motion to adjourn seconded by Phifer. The vote carried 4-0-0.