

HAMPTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAMPTON, CT 06247
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020
7:00 PM
HAMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER

1. **Call to order - Board chair Rose Bisson called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Members present Mark Becker, Ann Grunberg, Susan Lovegreen, Russ Moffitt, Juan Arriola and Neal Moon. Also, present Superintendent Frank Olah, Principal Sam Roberson, Special Education Director Judy Benson-Clark and Business Coordinator Sally Lehoux.**
2. **Audience for Staff and Citizens -** Laura Sorel read a letter from Hampton Education Association (HEA). (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED) Linda Sanchini spoke to the board concerning staffing at Hampton Elementary School. Joy Becker addressed the board concerning the 20-21 Budget. Candance Morell spoke to the board concerning staffing and the impact on students and teachers. J. Marlies Thomen spoke to the board concerning the requirements of teachers and the reduction of staffing at Hampton Elementary School. Jason Lathrop spoke to the board concerning class size, staffing and transportation. Joan Fox spoke to the board concerning staff. Jake Gomes spoke to the board concerning staff. Stacey Lathrop spoke to the board concerning staffing and class size. Yancey Blanchard spoke to the board on staffing.
3. **20-21 Budget Presentation and Discussion -** Superintendent Frank Olah presented the board with multiple budgets for the Board of Education to review along with supporting documents. The board had a discussion concerning the budgets that were presented and the possible budget cuts. **Mark Becker moved to approve the budget dated 2/20/20 for \$2,186,260.00. Ann Gruenberg seconded the motion and it passed with the following vote:
Yes: Mark Becker, Neal Moon, Ann Gruenberg, Ross Moffitt, and Susan Lovegreen
No: Juan Arriola**
4. **Audience for Citizens -** Laura Sorel thanked the board for their consideration. Jason Lathrop asked the process for becoming a member of the Board of Education. J. Marlies Tomen spoke to the board concerning the 2020-2021 budget.
5. **Convene into Non-Meeting to Deliberate on Collective Bargaining Strategy with the HEA -** The board entered a non-meeting at 8:21 pm.
The board reconvened at 9:05 pm.
6. **Adjournment - Juan Arriola moved to adjourn at 9:07 pm. Susan Lovegreen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted
Rachel Linkkila
3/12/20