

HAMPTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAMPTON, CT 06247
FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020
ZOOM MEETING

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01. Those in attendance were Finance and Operations Committee members Mark Becker, Maryellen Donnelly and Neal Moon. Hampton Board Chair Rose Bisson joined at 6:15. Also in attendance were Principal Sam Roberson and Superintendent Frank Olah.

2. Audience for Staff and Citizens

Kathy Donahue asked questions that Superintendent Olah addressed. Board of Education member Juan Arriola, teacher Linda Sanchini, and Dayna Arriola attended.

3. Review of June 9, 2020 Minutes

There were no recommendations for change.

4. 5 Year Plan Topics Including Parking Lot, Playground and Any Other Pressing Issues Including Septic Repair

A parking lot catch basin was replaced and another was repaired. When a lid is replaced, all will be fixed that need attention. Chair Becker will speak to First Selectman Cahill about paving. The playground replacement is on hold during the pandemic. Fund raising early next year may lead to purchase during the August 2021 sale. Septic system repair is progressing. Building modifications were discussed. Removal of walls between classrooms in order to physically space students was discussed. Building modifications due to COVID 19 will be added to the June 24 Board of Education agenda. A building plan was requested of Dr. Olah for that discussion. Dr. Olah reported that all classroom floors except two (due to humidity) have been stripped and waxed. A company was hired to mow and has also removed vines from fencing. Electrical work for the new washer, dryer and dishwasher purchased to sanitize bedding, masks and toys will be done.

5. Discussion of 2020-2021 Budget- Including Need of New Positions Based on COVID for Paraprofessionals on Bus Morning and Afternoon and a Position to Disinfect School and Wash Bedding and Plush Toys

Discussion of Superintendent Olah's budget document for June 24 BOE meeting was held. The committee requested that staffing be listed and clarification of what baseline budget was used to make changes for the 6/24/2020 document. In answer to a question about specific costs, Dr. Olah stated that costs depend on whether existing staff or new hires fill positions. Discussion of specials and their schedule was held. Future information from the State Department of Education will frame changes that will need to be made.

6. Audience for Staff & Citizens

Dayna Arriola, Juan Arriola and Kathy Donahue, asked questions and presented statements to the committee.

7. Review Next Agenda Planning including Date and Time

The next meetings will be Zoom meetings at 7 PM on Wednesday, July 8 and at 7 PM on Tuesday, July 21.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:58.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryellen Donnelly