

# Hampton and Scotland School Readiness Council

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

## Zoom Meeting

## Meeting Minutes

**Attendance:** Scott Sears, Cathy Pinsonneault, Sam Roberson, Joy Becker, Mary Geragotelis, Andrea Kaye, Ann Gruenberg, Geri White, Anne Marie Davidson, Frank Olah, Allan Cahill

- 1) **Call to order:** Scott Sears called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.
- 2) **Audience for citizens:** None
- 3) **Update agenda as needed:** Ann Gruenberg motioned to update the agenda to include item 8c, Update of Personnel. Geri White seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
- 4) **Approval of March 30, 2021 meeting minutes:** Geri White motioned to approve the March 30, 2021 minutes as amended. Amendment included a change from Scott Sears calling the meeting to order to Joy Becker calling the meeting to order. Joy Becker seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. Frank Olah abstained.
- 5) **Acceptance of financial reports**
  - a. **Hampton:** Ann Gruenberg motioned to accept Hampton's financial report. Geri White seconded the motion. Discussion included a question from Geri White, Will the SR funds be expended by the end of the year? Sam Roberson responded that they would be. The motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
  - b. **Scotland:** Mary Geragotelis motioned to accept Scotland's financial report. Joy Becker seconded the motion. Discussion included a question from Geri White, Will the SR funds be expended by the end of the year? Cathy Pinsonneault responded that they would be. The motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
- 6) **Program updates:**
  - a. **Hampton:** Sam Roberson shared that they had 3 families at the preschool screening and that she anticipates more families contacting the school about the program. It was a modified screening process but still served as an introduction to the program and staff. One family inquired about the program through email.
  - b. **Scotland:** Cathy Pinsonneault shared that Scotland has been giving virtual tours led by the Guidance Counselor. They placed an advertisement in the paper and had some responses. They are using a cut-off of July 1 for enrollment so that if they receive applications from families in other towns they can accept them. Cathy feels that the 2022-2023 school year will be a typical year for enrollment.
- 7) **SR Liaison report**
  - a) **OEC Updates:** The Liaison report is found under 8 a and b.
- 8.) **New Business**
  - a. **Hampton Grant Approval:** Anne Marie Davidson shared a summary of the FY 22 Hampton School Readiness grant application. Geri White motioned to approve the FY 22 Hampton School Readiness grant application. Ann Gruenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
  - b. **Scotland Grant Approval:** Anne Marie Davidson shared a summary of the FY 22 Scotland School Readiness grant application. Ann Gruenberg motioned to approve the FY 22 Hampton School Readiness grant application. Mary Geragotelis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
  - c. **Update on Personnel:** The Council recognized that Cathy Pinsonneault will be retiring as Scotland's principal effective June 30. Dr. Baran also retired from Scotland Public Schools as the

Superintendent. Dr. Valerie Bruneau has been hired as Scotland's incoming Superintendent effective July 1. The Council recognized the service of Dr. Baran and Dr. Pinsonneault to the School Readiness Council, program and children and families of Scotland.

**9) Old Business:**

- a. **QE spending:** Hampton has expended their QE funds. Use of the funds has included PD, virtual field trips, purchasing back packs and materials to send home to support children's learning over the summer. Scotland has also expended all of their QE funds through PD and back pack costs as well as purchasing books for Scotland Public Library's preschool section.

**10) Audience for citizens:** None.

**11) Set next meeting Agenda:**

**13) Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Geri White at 7:20 pm and seconded by Sam Roberson. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 9/28/21 6:30-8:00 pm**

**Held through Zoom**

Respectfully submitted by Anne Marie Davidson, Hampton and Scotland School Readiness Liaison  
*These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next School Readiness Council Meeting*