

**Hartland Special School Board Meeting**  
**Draft Minutes**  
**July 18, 2019**

**Present:** David Baker, Christine Bourne, Nicole Buck, Scott Richardson, Colleen Spence, Beth Roy, Sarah Stewart Taylor

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 a.m.

David Baker reported that Hartford and Woodstock are not interested in pursuing a policing contract with Hartland. The Windsor Police Department said that a policing contract that does not include a School Resource Officer would cost the same as one that does.

In response to a question from the public about jurisdiction, Nicki Buck and David Baker explained that dispatch would decide who responds.

It was asked how much we paid last year for policing services. Christine Bourne mentioned we paid about \$100 for each no trespass order delivery, and that we have been charged extra by sheriffs for various policing actions.

Sarah Stewart Taylor made a motion (amended from original version) that:

“The Hartland School Board approve a ten month contract with the Windsor Police Department for policing services at the Hartland Elementary School, as described in the amended Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The contract shall not exceed \$35,000.

This MOU is signed with the understanding that the officer assigned will have completed NASRO training by the time he/she begins regular SRO duty in the school. The parameters and nature of the officer’s interactions with students will be approved by the principal, in consultation with a committee of staff, administrators and community members to be appointed by the administration. These parameters around the SRO’s interactions with students may be different from those in other school buildings and may include parental opt out agreements, guidance around types of activities offered, and additional training requirements (for example, attending anti-bias or trauma-informed-classroom training with staff.)”

Colleen Spence seconded.

The board agreed to add a line to the MOU making it clear that the SRO serves at the pleasure of the principal.

There was a discussion about the motion. There was consensus that the motion is not intended to prevent the principal from calling on law enforcement in emergency situations or to prevent the officer from being present at school in the course of carrying out law enforcement duties and ensuring school safety. The committee will be chosen to reflect a variety of voices and viewpoints and will help guide the parameters of the officer’s presence in the building as an

educator and non-emergency responder. The officer, with input from the committee, may be present at beginning-of-the-year assemblies. The administration will make plans to introduce the officer to the community, perhaps at a recreation center even, and to work with the committee on the scope of the job going forward.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Stewart Taylor, Board Clerk

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