

MINUTES

Hoosac Valley Regional School Committee
School Committee Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2023 - 6:30 p.m.
Hoosac Valley High School
125 Savoy Road, Cheshire, MA

PRESENT: Mike Mucci, John Duval, Adam Emerson, Andrew Przystanski, Bethany DeMarco, Erin Milne

ABSENT: Mike Henault

OTHERS: Superintendent Aaron Dean

104089 Call to Order

Chairman Bethany DeMarco called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

104090 Public Comment or Question -

104091 Approval of Minutes - August 28, 2023

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Mucci and second by Andrew Przystanski

VOTED: to approve the August 28, 2023 School Committee minutes. The vote was unanimous.

104092 Report of Treasurer/Business Manager -

E&D sent to DOR for certification - will report on final approved number at next meeting

104093 Report of Sub Committee - None

104094 Communications -

A. Athletic Director Report - fall sports & creation of athletic advisory

See power point for talking points discussed as presented by Jeff Puleri.

Adam Emerson initiated a discussion around how all of our challenges are a result of the MIAA changes from a few years back and if we can have a voice in addressing it and bringing back a berkshire county league. Suggestion to send athletics info to middle school students for them to be aware of what is offered. Would be nice to also connect students to information regarding youth / town based sports. Mike Mucci encouraged AD to make the connection with youth programs and the importance of having the youth information to give to parents as this is what feeds athletes into our school.

*Athletic advisory committee will need to be vetted and run through the policy committee / school committee.

B. Principals - opening report - see powerpoint presentations for talking points for each school.

A Dean - spoke about focus on school culture at all schools and the continuous commonalities carrying through all grade levels

K Pallatt - discussed how the work we are doing is getting the district recognized at the state level and awarded more opportunities because of it

C. L McGinnis - overnight camping trip - 10/12-13 or 10/19-20

moved from spring semester to fall - seeking approval for trip up mt greylock and an overnight camp out

MOTION: On Motion of Erin Milne and second by John Duval:

VOTED: to approve the overnight camping trip for the outdoor leadership class. The vote was unanimous.

104095 Report of Superintendent -

A. Bus Monitor Pay Rate - move from \$15 to \$20

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Mucci and second by Erin Milne

VOTED: to approve the bus monitor pay rate to \$20. The vote was unanimous.

104096 Chairman's - None

104097 Unfinished Business -

104098 New Business - Mike Henault - requests that all committee members send in the superintendents eval to be discussed at next meeting

104099 Action Items - None

104100 For the Good of the Order

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Mucci and second by Adam Emerson

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Dean, Superintendent

Erika Snyder, Recording Secretary