

HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, March 22, 2021 – 7:00pm

Virtual Location:

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The mission of the Hillsboro-Deering School Board is to articulate and develop the educational goals of the community and to allocate community resources effectively and responsibly. It strives to create with educational professionals, a dynamic learning environment in which all students are inspired to realize their individual potential, learn critical academic skills, develop intellectual curiosity and moral courage, and prepare to be active citizens.

MINUTES

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Herla Iadonisi
Chris Bober
Jessica Morris
Paul Plater
Heidi Welch

Administration:

Patricia Parenteau, Superintendent
Jennifer Crawford, Director of Curriculum Instruction and Assessment
Mary Henry, Business Administrator
Stacey Vazquez, Director of Student Support Services
Jeni Laliberte, Lower HDES Principal
Donna Furlong, Upper HDES Principal
Jim O'Rourke, HS Principal
Marc Peterson, MS Principal
James Bailey, Facilities Director

A. Call Public Budget Hearing to Order

- a. Chair Iadonisi called the Meeting to order at 7:00pm
- b. As Chair of the Hillsboro-Deering School Board, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:

1. Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means:
 - a. We are utilizing Zoom for this electronic meeting.
 - b. ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone # 888 475

4499 and Meeting ID: 930 5243 6124, or by clicking on the following website address:

<https://zoom.us/j/92695515546?pwd=Y2wOZzd0dE1CMjNveVdOVUZOUY2JmQT09>

c. Meeting ID: 926 9551 5546

d. Passcode: 192383

2. Providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing the meeting:
 - a. We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, including how to access the meeting using Zoom or telephonically. Instructions have also been provided on the website of the Hillsboro-Deering School Board at: <https://www.hdsd.org/>
3. Providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access:
 - a. If anybody has a problem, please call Carol Fogarty or email at: cfogarty@hdsd.org.
4. Adjourning the meeting if the public is unable to access the meeting:
 - a. In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.

Roll call attendance - each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law.

i. Roll

1. Herla Iadonisi - Present
2. Chris Bober - Present
3. Jessica Morris - Present
4. Paul Plater - Present
5. Heidi Welch - Present

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

1. Chair Iadonisi led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence

B. DHHS Travel Guidance

1. We are holding this meeting to exclusively discuss the new updated travel guidance from DHHS.
2. Parenteau
 - a. Commends the students and families for their cooperation to date for their vigilance during the pandemic.
 - b. Wanted to bring this to the attention of the Board
 1. Families who would like to travel would be able to do so under the new guidance.
3. Questions
 - a. Bober

1. What we are being asked to approve are the current guidelines that DHHS came out with on March 16?
 - a. Yes
 2. If a staff member has questions, they can reach out to the building/district nurse?
 - a. Yes
- b. Welch
1. Is there any risk we will be going back to remote if we don't have enough staff after April vacation?
 2. Are we foreseeing any negative impact to keeping the kids in school?
 - a. The new guidance does not require a quarantine period when traveling outside of New England in the US.
 3. Looks fine, this is the DHHS Guidance.
- c. Plater
1. Are we talking about going 4 days a week?
 - a. No, this is exclusively discussing the travel guidance for the school community
- d. Iadonisi
1. We have always gone with the DHHS Guidance.
- e. Morris
1. If this is what DHHS advises, we should go with this.

C. Public Comment

1. None

D. School Board Response to Public Comment

1. None

E. Action Items

1. District Travel Guidance
 - a. Bober moved to approve adopting the updated DHHS Travel Guidance as presented. Welch presented. Motion passed 5-0
 - b. Roll Vote
 - i. Herla Iadonisi - Yes
 - ii. Chris Bober - Yes
 - iii. Jessica Morris - Yes
 - iv. Paul Plater - Yes
 - v. Heidi Welch - Yes

F. Adjournment

1. Morris moved to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0 @ 7:13pm
2. Roll Vote
 - a. Herla Iadonisi - Yes
 - b. Chris Bober - Yes
 - c. Jessica Morris - Yes
 - d. Paul Plater - Yes
 - e. Heidi Welch - Yes

Respectfully Submitted,
Megan Fleagle