

HYDE PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
HYDE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY  
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017

Board members present: Richard Bailey, Lisa Barry, Patti Hayford, Raven Walters  
Others: Deborah Clark, Diane Reilly

**Note: All votes taken are unanimous unless otherwise noted.**

**1. *Call to Order***

R. Walters called the meeting to order at 5:30.

**2. *Approval of Agenda***

The agenda was approved by consent.

**3. *Take Action on Draft Town Meeting Warning***

R. Bailey suggested listing the board members' names in a different order, but it was agreed that would be too difficult to change at this point.

**L. Barry moved to approve the town meeting warning as presented, P. Hayford seconded and the motion was passed.**

L. Barry asked about the HPES budget that was presented to the MUUSD Board. What corrections were made? Deb explained that \$35,000 in cuts to personnel costs were made and an additional \$39,149 was cut from the preK budget. R. Bailey asked whether enough funding had been left in the preK budget to accommodate the cost of paying offsite providers. D. Reilly and D. Baker confirmed that there were funds left in for that.

Discussion continued around the topic of the cut to PreK being for one year only, for purposes of accommodating the construction, and that we want to be sure the MUUSD Board understands that full preK funding will be needed again in FY2019.

**4. *Take Action on Draft Town Meeting Report***

**It was moved and seconded to approve the town meeting report as presented.**

D. Reilly asked, if Waterville votes to join the MUUSD, will the whole MUUSD budget have to be revised? D. Clark said yes. D. Reilly asked if the budget vote will be May 23. D. Clark said that is just something the governor is asking for. The legislature has to take it up. D. Reilly said, so we have to plan for a budget vote on town meeting day? D. Clark said yes.

The board discussed a change to the wording of the report.

**A friendly amendment to approve the town meeting as modified in this meeting was accepted. The motion was passed.**

R. Walters asked if a MUUSD budget meeting will be held in each town. D. Clark said it is scheduled for the tech center.

D. Reilly said she will have a student highlights presentation at town meeting. R. Walters said with the exception of years when the board had special information to present (e.g. about the building project) we have typically just asked D. Reilly to present. Do board members think there is anything the board needs to report on? Board members said no.

P. Hayford brought up the article asking the voters to determine whether and how much to pay school board members. R. Walters said she also wondered if the board should address that proactively. D. Clark said central office will give the board some suggestions. This board will exist until December 31, 2017 at the longest. R. Walters wondered if we might want to give the voters information on the situation. She would hate for a motion to be passed to keep pay the same as in the current year and then have someone point out that the board is only working for 3 months. Regular meetings of this board will cease after June.

The board agreed to decide at the February meeting when to meet in March.

R. Walters mentioned she is not running for re-election. D. Reilly said it doesn't make sense to have a new board member for just 3 months. P. Hayford agreed. Board members indicated it would be helpful to have R. Walters continue and suggested she could be a write-in candidate or be appointed.

5. *Adjourn*

**P. Hayford moved to adjourn at 5:51, R. Bailey seconded, and the motion was passed.**

*Minutes submitted by Donna Griffiths*