

Hanover School Committee Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2020
Virtual Meeting

Present: Mrs. Leah Miller, Mrs. Ruth Lynch, Mrs. Kimberly Booker, Mr. John Geary and Mrs. Libby Corbo

Also Present: Matthew Ferron, Deborah St. Ives, Thomas Raab and Keith Guyette,

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 10:01am by Mrs. Miller and the Committee entered into Executive Session. A motion by Booker to enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Lynch. The motion carried.

Executive Session adjourned at 10:49am and the Committee entered back into General Session.

Public Comment: Public Comment was moved to the end of the General Session due to Executive Session.

Approval Minutes: None

Report on Teaching and Learning:

- **HTA Memorandum of Agreement -** Mrs. Miller requested the a vote be considered for the HTA MOA as written.

Motion by Lynch to approve the HTA MOA as written. The Motion was seconded by Booker. Roll call vote: Booker - Aye, Corbo – No, Geary – Aye, Lynch – Aye, Miller – Aye. The motion carried.

Mr. Geary reminded the Committee of the document they had received from the MASC regarding best practices for School Committees going forward during this crisis. He noted that the Committee as a whole had discussed this at a previous meeting and he believed the best practice for them to implement going forward would be to have all questions funneled through the Committee Chairperson and the Superintendent. Mr. Geary noted that this would limit confusion in the community and creates a unified message for all. This also allows the Superintendent to prioritize as needed.

Mrs. Miller commented that she would be the point of contact for all questions and would share them with Mr. Ferron as needed.

Mrs. Corbo asked if the HTA MOA is available for the public to view. Mr. Ferron replied no, as it cannot be posted publicly until it is voted on and ratified by the Union, but it will be posted as soon as possible.

Mrs. Lynch asked if all districts have these agreements with their unions. Mr. Ferron replied that every district is different. Some districts have much more formal agreements and other districts have much more informal agreements. Mr. Ferron noted that he is aware this plan is not perfect, but the hope is that each week will provide feedback from students and parents and we can continue to improve.

Mrs. Miller said she appreciates all that the Hanover Administration team has done during this crazy time for all of us.

Public Comment: None presented

The next School Committee meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2020. Expected agenda items: Covid-19 Preparedness, FY '20 Budget update, Donations, School Calendar Updates

Motion by Lynch to adjourn at 10:59am. The motion was seconded by Booker. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Documents Used:

HTA MOA

Appendix A