

Hartland Board of Education  
Minutes of November 13, 2017  
Conference Room

**BOE Present: Steve Abrahamsen, Alana Bordewieck, Staci Hastey, Tim Irwin, Ellen Smith, Pam Weber, Laura H. Hollingsworth, and Dr. Anthony Distasio**

Chairperson **P. Weber** called the Board Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

The Hartland Board of Education Mission Statement read by **A. Bordewieck**.

- **Approval of Minutes- October 16, 2017**
- Motion to approve October 16, 2017 BOE Minutes with one correction (Hasti was corrected to Hastey under Committee & Liaison Report) **T. Irwin, S Hastey** with **S. Abrahamsen** abstention, otherwise approved **unanimous**.

**Communications-**

- **Senora Benedict**, Hartland School's Spanish teacher, gave a presentation on the Halloween project that was completed by the 7<sup>th</sup> graders. She stated the students had to put together a Halloween story after brainstorming a character and an idea. They also had to pick Spanish vocabulary that would later be used to help write Spanish sentences that were also translated in English. **Senora** also reported the 7<sup>th</sup> grade students were able to share their stories with the other grades. **Dylan Battistoni, Sofia Frenette** and **Anika Ryan** volunteered to share their stories with Board of Education. Senora also reported that five former students from Hartland School were inducted into the GMHS Spanish Honor Society on November 6, 2017.
- Notes from the student council reported that during the month of October for Breast Cancer Awareness Month, a school wide penny war competition was in full swing between the gold and maroon teams. A total of \$220 was raised from the students and an additional \$130 was raised from the faculty with a total of \$350 to be donated to the Susan G. Komen Fund. He reported the first middle school dance was held November 10, 2017 with a turnout of about 43 students. Liam stated that the holiday food drive began November 13, 2017 and again this will be a competition between the two teams. All donations will be donated to the Hartland Food Bank. He reported December ideas will be discussed at the next student council meeting but will probably involve donating to the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fuel Assistance Program.

**Public comment on Agenda Items- NONE**

**Chair Report- NONE**

## Superintendent Report- Dr. Anthony Distasio

- **Fall Newsletter- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**- The Board of Education Fall Newsletter was mailed out November 13, 2017.
- **Veterans' Day Breakfast- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**- Hartland School hosted local veterans for a flag raising ceremony and breakfast. The ceremony was held in the multi-purpose room due to the cold. Veterans appreciated all the effort from the Hartland School Community that was put into making it a special gathering.
- **Hartland Seniors Holiday Luncheon- December 11, 2017**- The annual Senior Holiday Luncheon will be held on Monday, December 11, 2017. We are looking forward to hosting our seniors for lunch.
- **Budget Calendar- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**- **A. Distasio** reported a change would be needed to help allot for sufficient time between the BOE and BOF approval of the budget.
- **Lunch Program- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**- **A. Distasio** reported on the number and percentage of students taking free and reduced lunches at Hartland School.

## Principal Report-- L. Hollingsworth

**L. Hollingsworth** reported that she has been meeting with principals at the surrounding small area schools to help with planning and support of the NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards) units of study. She stated they have been getting the plans put in place for the K-3 teachers to start their units. **L. Hollingsworth** reported that the state was granted a waiver that 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders no longer had to take the CMT test. She did state that the 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders would still be taking a field test; however, the data would not be the most accurate measures as the test would be based off the NGSS standards that have not yet been implemented in these grades. **L. Hollingsworth** shared that the Growth and Mindset Committee would be meeting to choose the winner of what P.R.I.D.E, our new school wide acronym will say about Hartland School students. Winners will be announced at the Writing Wall of Fame assembly on Monday, November 21, 2017.

## Committee & Liaison Report

- **Shared Services- S. Hastey** reported Shared Services has not met since the last meeting.

## Old Business-

- **BOE Goals- INFORMATIONAL ITEM- Superintendent (Second Reading)-  
MOTION ITEM**

Motion to approve **S. Hasteley, A. Bordewieck**, otherwise approved **unanimous**.

## New Business-

- **Report on Budget- A. Distasio** reported about 25% of the budget has been expended and all areas are looking solid.
- **October Bills- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**
- **Policy 6142 Wellness- (First Reading)- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**
- **Agreement with Granby BOE- MOTION ITEM**

Motion to approve a five-year agreement with the Granby Public Schools to continue having Granby Memorial High School as our designated high school. **S. Hasteley, S. Abrahamsen**, otherwise approved **unanimous**.

## Public Comment on Agenda Items—NONE

## Future Agenda Items

- Policy Review
- Committee Reports- **Special Meeting @ 6:45 on December 11, 2017**
- Next Meeting **December 11, 2017**

Adjournment: 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sherice Bennett**  
Board Recording Secretary