

Hartland Board of Education  
Minutes of April 8, 2024  
School Library

**BOE Present: Steve Abrahamsen, Tim Irwin, Amy Levan, Ellen Smith, Pam Weber, and Mrs. Imma Canelli**

**BOE Absent: Michelle Ferrari, Amanda Lukingbeal, Joe Penman, and Gwen Welcome**

Chairperson **P. Weber** called the Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Hartland Board of Education Mission Statement being read by **S. Abrahamsen**.

**Approval of Minutes- March 11, 2024 BOE Meeting Minutes**

- Motion to approve March 11, 2024 BOE Meeting Minutes – **E. Smith, A. Levan**, otherwise approved **unanimous**. Abstention – **S. Abrahamsen**.

**Public comment on Agenda Items- None**

**Chair Report- None**

**Superintendent Report- Mrs. Imma Canelli-**

- **Board of Finance- INFORMATIONAL ITEM- I. Canelli** reported the 2024-2025 Budget was passed by the BOF on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. She thanked both the BOF and the BOE for their support.
- **Budget Report-INFORMATIONAL- I. Canelli** reported the budget is 73.87% expended and we are closely monitoring our expenses through the rest of the school year.
- **Proposed Last Day – I. Canelli** recommended to the BOE to dismiss our students on Thursday, June 13, 2024. She shared this date would give us 180 days.
  - Motion to approve June 13, 2024 as last day of school – **S. Abrahamsen, A. Levan**, otherwise approved **unanimous**.
- **Staffing - I. Canelli** reported a letter of resignation was received from Sherice Bennett. **I. Canelli** thanked her for all that she has done for the Hartland School and Community. This will be a huge loss for our school. She congratulated her on her new endeavor and wished her much success.

## **Principal Report— Jill Skaret for Alissa Goguen**

**J. Skaret** reported that students worked with their buddies to create solar viewing masks to go along with their glasses. Students in grades 4 – 8 went outside to view the solar eclipse. Students in grades K – 3 had moon themed snacks and viewed the eclipse virtually. **J. Skaret** also reported that Hartland and Barkhamsted School are working closely together to align their professional development moving forward. In order to collaborate with Barkhamsted, we would like to switch the March 7<sup>th</sup> Early Release Day to April 4<sup>th</sup>. This would not change the number of early release days, it would just change the date.

## **Committee & Liaison Report-**

- **Shared Services-** **A. Levan** reported there was no meeting.

## **Old Business- NONE**

## **New Business-**

- **Healthy Foods Certification and Food Exemptions – MOTION ITEMS**
  - **Motion: For Healthy Food Option:** Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the board of education or governing authority certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, culinary programs, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups.
    - Motion to approve Healthy Food Option – **P. Weber, A. Levan**, otherwise approved **unanimous**.
  - **Motion: For Combined Food and Beverage Exemptions:** The board of education or governing authority will allow the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards and beverages not listed in section 10-221q of the Connecticut General Statutes provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of a regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the food and beverage items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An "event" is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice,

meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events but soccer practices, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The "regular school day" is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. "Location" means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the beverage sales.

- Motion to approve Combined Food and Beverage Exemptions- **P. Weber, S. Abrahamsen**, otherwise approved **unanimous**.

### **Public Comment on Agenda Items-**

Public comments were made by **Katie Mangione**.

### **Future Agenda Items-**

- Committee Reports
- Next Meeting- May 13, 2024

Adjournment: 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Imma Canelli**  
Superintendent

**Michelle Ferrari**  
Board Secretary

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