

EASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING

Virtual via Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 930 3549 0248, Password: 06612

Wednesday, June 30, 2021- 6:15 p.m.

RECORDING: <https://youtu.be/wre0QCxFu00>

Minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Stinson, Chieda, Hicks, Parker
Administration: Harrison, Pierson Ugol, Zachery

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Stinson called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kim Keil, Sweet Briar Trail: asked for details about mask policy going forward and advocated for putting mask decisions into the hands of parents.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

None.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: DONATIONS FROM THE EASTON LEARNING FOUNDATION AND THE PTO: USE OF GRANT FUNDS FOR ENHANCEMENTS TO THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AT HKMS

Beth Andrews provided details for the history of efforts to provide a shade structure over the outdoor classroom space at HKMS.

Move that the Easton Board of Education accept the generous donation from the Easton Learning Foundation for \$5,000, \$3,498.62 from the Easton PTO, and the remain balance of funds to arrive at \$22,500 for the installation of a Shade Structure for the HKMS Outdoor Classroom to be funded through ESSR Grants. (Parker, Chieda). Approved, 4-0.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: HKMS PRINCIPAL SEARCH PROCESS

Jon Stinson provided an overview of the process. Dr. Harrison introduced the Candidate. Following a vote to appoint Dr. Clapp as Principal at HKMS, Dr. Clapp briefly spoke about his enthusiasm for joining the district.

Move that the Easton Board of Education accept the recommendations of the Superintendent, HKMS Principal Personnel Search Committee, and the Easton Negotiating Committee to appoint Dr. Steven Clapp as Principal of Helen Keller Middle School, hiring at the level of "Step 4" as detailed in the Administrator bargaining unit contract, effective on or before August 1st, and

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hereby dissolve the HKMS Principal Personnel Search Committee. (Parker, Chieda). Approved, 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dana Benson, Pond Road: relayed congratulations for appointing a new principal at HKMS, directed the attention of the board to two emails related to security concerns around the DEI surveys and recommendations for the Superintendent search.

Beth Andrews, Ridgeway Road: congratulated Dr. Clapp for his appointment as principal of HKMS.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

J. Chieda commented that while Devon Wible was away from the meeting, there was broad and enthusiastic support for Dr. Clapp's appointment.

Motion: move that the Easton Board of Education Regular Meeting be adjourned. Hicks, Chieda. Approved. Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Submitted by Jon Stinson
Easton Board of Education Chair