

**Hopedale School Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of
Friday, December 4, 2020**

Members Present: Alysia Butler, Chair
Lori Hampsch, Vice Chair
Lisa Alberto
Jennifer McKeon
Kristi Brytowski

Also Present: Karen M. Crebase, Superintendent
Brian Miller, Memorial School Principal
Kristen Poisson, Bright Beginnings Center Principal

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the open meeting law, GL chapter 30A, section 18, and the Governor's March 15 and August 7, 2020 Orders imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Hopedale School Committee was conducted via remote participation. The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:01 am under these provisions with a quorum present. She invited members of the public to monitor the meeting by using the information provided on the Town's website and announced that the meeting was being recorded and streaming live. Members of the public are welcome to email questions to schoolcommittee@hopedaleschools.org. A video of the meeting will be available on the Town website.

1. Review of 2020-2021 School Calendar - The Superintendent, in order to insure equitable instruction for students during the week of January 4th and comply with the Reopening Memorandum of Agreement with the Hopedale Education Association, recommended that the professional day on Monday, January 4th be rescheduled to Wednesday, January 6th as a remote professional day. This provides two days of in-person instruction for all hybrid students that week. Teachers and staff will return to school after the holiday break on January 4th rather than January 5th. Upon a motion by Mrs. Alberto which was seconded by Mrs. Hampsch, the Committee unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation by roll call vote as follows: Mrs. Alberto-yes; Mrs. Brytowski- yes; Mrs. McKeon-yes; Mrs. Hampsch-yes and Mrs. Butler-yes. There was no further discussion.

Prior to concluding the meeting, the Chair offered a personal reflection.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne McGuane, Recording Secretary
APPROVED: January 5, 2021