

**Hopkinton School Committee**  
**Thursday, February 1, 2024**  
**Executive Session 6:30 PM**  
**Regular Meeting- 7:00PM**  
**HCAM Studio, 77 Main Street, Hopkinton**

**AGENDA**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. 6:30: Executive Session**

- a. To comply with, or act under the authority of, M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(2) for the purpose of discussing strategy concerning collective bargaining with the Hopkinton Teachers' Association, and the Hopkinton Paraprofessional Union Local SEIU 888 because having the discussion in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the School Committee's bargaining position and to reconvene in regular session.
- b. To comply with or act under the authority M.G.L. c.30A, §.21(a)(3) specific to the review of Executive Session Minutes for the meetings of May 25, 2023, July 7, 2023 and September 21, 2023 to reconvene in regular session.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

**IV. Public Comment**

**V. Recognitions**

**VI. New Business**

- a. 7:10: [Project 351](#) - Ms. Benbenek
  - Mrs. Benbenek will introduce the HMS Project 351 Ambassador, Ryan Moore.

- b. 7:25: [Nature's Classroom](#) - Ms. Benbenek

**For Consideration:** Request approval for Grade 6 to attend Nature's Classroom November 18-20 and November 20-22, 2024 for \$400 per student.

**Motion:** Move to approve Nature's Classroom for November 18-20 and 20-22, 2024.

- c. 7:30: **Discussion with SEPAC** - Ms. Cavanaugh

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Discussion between the School Committee and SEPAC

**d. 7:45: Hopkins Project Update - Project Management Team**

**e. 8:15: [Special Education Reserve Fund](#) - Mrs. Rothermich**

**For Consideration:** Request School Committee approval to expend the Special Education Reserve Fund for the full appropriation of \$1,094,024 for out of district tuition.

**Motion:** Move to expend the Special Education Reserve Fund for the full appropriation of \$1,094,024 for out of district tuition.

**f. 8:20: [Holiday/Observances Calendar](#) - Bandi Chor Diwas - Dr. Cavanaugh**

**For Consideration:** Request School Committee approval to add Bandi Chor Diwas to be listed along with Diwali on the School Calendar.

**Motion:** Move to approve the addition of Bandi Chor Diwas to be listed along with Diwali on the School Calendar.

**g. 8:25: HHS Robotics and BPA Final Intent to Travel - Dr. Cavanaugh**

**For Consideration:** Request SC final approval for Robotics and BPA travel to competitions.

**i. [HHS Robotics trip to Bridgeport, CT](#)**

**Motion:** Move to approve HHS Robotics to attend VEX Competition in Bridgeport, Connecticut on February 25- February 27, 2024.

**ii. [HHS Robotics trip to Dallas, TX](#)**

**Motion:** Move to approve HHS Robotics to attend VEX Worlds in Dallas, Texas, April 25-28, 2024.

**iii. [HHS BPA trip to Norwood, MA](#)**

**Motion:** Move to approve HHS Business Professionals of America trip to attend the State Leadership Conference in Norwood March 2-3, 2024.

**iv. [HHS BPA trip to Chicago, IL](#)**

**Motion:** Move to approve HHS BPA to attend the National Leadership Conference in Chicago, IL from May 10-14, 2024.

**h. 8:30: [HHS Hockey Final Intent to Travel](#) - Dr. Cavanaugh**

**For Consideration:** Request SC final approval to travel to Martha's Vineyard for the Fairleigh Dickinson Hockey Tournament February 17-18, 2024.

**Motion:** Move to approve HHS Hockey travel to Martha's Vineyard February 17-18, 2024.

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**i. 8:35: School Committee Annual Report 2023 - Ms. Cavanaugh**

**For Consideration:** review the proposed School Committee 2023 Annual Report.

**Motion:** Move to approve the SC 2023 Annual Report.

**VII. 8:40: Reports:**

- a. Student Council - Jack Ianelli**
- b. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Cavanaugh**
- c. School Committee Chair Report**
- Payroll Warrant S24015 has been approved. Warrant #24-037S, #24-038S, #24-039S, #24-040S and #24-041S have been approved and included in your folder.
- d. Liaison Reports**

**VIII. 8:55: Future Agenda Items**

**IX. 9:00: Items by Consensus**

The Superintendent recommends the School Committee approve the Items by Consensus as listed below:

- a. Operating & Other Funds Warrant #24-037S in the amount of \$532,243.01.
- b. Operating & Other Funds Warrant #24-038S in the amount of \$29,054.45.
- c. Capital Warrant 24-039S in the amount of \$415,031.28.
- d. Capital Funds Warrant #24-040S in the amount of \$258,546.10
- e. Operating & Other Funds Warrant #24-041S in the amount of \$88,861.83.
- f. Payroll Warrant S24015 in the amount of \$1,947,064.08.
- g. Regular Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2023.
- h. Regular Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2024.
- i. Regular & Joint Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2024.
- j. Regular Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2024.

**Motion:** Move to approve the Items by Consensus.

**X. 9:05: Adjournment**

**Next Meetings:**

February 15, 2024

March 7, 2024

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