Hingham School Committee Joint Meeting with HPS Student Advisory Committee (SAC) November 1, 2023 7:00PM Remote meeting via Zoom

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order:

School Committee Chair Nes Correnti called the meeting to order at 7:00PM, and began by reading the following statement:

This meeting is being offered remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. Attendees were advised that the meeting and all communications during the meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. Any participant who wished to record the meeting was asked to notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.

School Committee members present: Chair Nes Correnti, Jen Benham, Matt Cosman, Kerry Ni, Tim Dempsey, and Alyson Anderson

School Committee members absent: Michelle Ayer

HPS Student Advisory Committee members present: Alex Doggett, Tony Cicerone, Slater Fairfield,

Reese Studebaker, Arianna Sood

Central Office Members present: Superintendent Dr. Margaret Adams, Assistant Superintendent Kathryn Roberts

To hear an update from the Student Advisory Council:

Nes Correnti thanked the members of the Student Advisory Committee for their dedication and service in their role on the SAC.

Alex Doggett reported on how the start of the school year is going. The SAC will hold their first meeting this evening to discuss goal setting and then will meet monthly going forward. They will come up with an action plan and will report back on their goals.

Tong Cicerone and Arianna Sood shared information on the students survey they sent out. There plan is to use the results to help guide them in setting their goals for the year. They have 87 responses. The students survey asked, what can they work on and how it effects the students? Arianna reported that based on the preliminary results some suggestions were infrastructure based such as more hydration systems, more pep rallies, and more social events for the school.

Dr. Adams went over the results from a short survey that was given to students last year as part of the Wellness Committee. Results showed that some students had concerns over the level of homework students were receiving and that the level of homework was causing anxiety. Dr. Adams asked the SAC members for their perspectives on those results.

Each member of the SAC gave their insight and gave some suggestions.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Jen Benham and seconded by Kerry Ni, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM

Kerry Ni -aye Alyson Anderson-aye Jen Benham-aye Nes Correnti-aye Tim Dempsey-aye Matt Cosman-aye

Respectfully submitted by: Jen Benham