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## Hopewell Middle School Governance Council

3/3/2021 | 7:30am | *Location* Virtual

### SGC Members

Mr. Michael LeMoyné, Principal	Ms. Lisa Werner, Appointed Faculty Member
Ms. Geri Southall, Teacher	Ms. Lara Wagner Moore, Community Member
Mr. Chris Feldman, Teacher	Ms. Laura Phelan, Parent
Ms. Barbara Perkins, Appointed Staff (Parliamentarian)	Ms. Liz Dinnsen, Community Member
Mr. Karl Mackey, Community Member	Ms. Farah Kashlan, Parent

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Owner</b>
7:30 am	<p><b>Action Item:</b> Call to Order</p> <p>Motion: Geri Southall Second: Lisa Werner Approved: All</p>	Chris Feldman
7:32 am	<p><b>Action Item:</b> Approve Agenda</p> <p>Motion: Lisa Werner Second: Geri Southall Approved: All</p>	Chris Feldman
7:33 am	<p><b>Action Item:</b> Approve Meeting Minutes from Feb. 3, 2021</p> <p>Motion: Lisa Werner Second: Geri Southall Approved: All</p>	Chris Feldman
7:35 pm	<p><b>Informational Item:</b> Principal's Update</p> <p>Almost 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter – time for parents to choose learning environment for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</p> <p>For March 16: Federal Dept Ed – will do state testing – Milestones to 3 levels NOT virtual – students must come to building for testing.</p> <p>Hopewell budget deadline is Friday (3/5) can't unlock unless unique event after that date</p> <p>Forward with 8<sup>th</sup> grade celebration drive-through or virtual; yard signs</p> <p>Vaccination plans – all staff during the month of March</p>	Michael LeMoyné

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7:45 am

**Action Item:** Budget Approval

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Last step of the process is 4:00 this Friday – end of an extensive task  
Our challenge – balancing money for various operations vs strategy, instruction, etc.

This year – less money to work with for 21-22 due to decrease in enrollment

Drop in revenue due to COVID 19

Important to think of goals and outcomes

*8<sup>th</sup> grade ELA* 85% proficient or distinguished

*8<sup>th</sup> grade Math* 85% proficient or distinguished

...Important to share that Hopewell is the place to attend.

...Increase number of employees recommending HMS

...Increased partnerships in community

...Increase family involvement

MILESTONES – data will be fuzzy from this because of COVID testing in building and doesn't really count

Need measurable's but don't have them much this year.

21-22 enrollment down and this has been happening gradually in area.

◆ Currently we see 40,000 fewer dollars for next year and may need to set aside some of that:

◆ 90,000 – reserve requirement for 2021-2022 – to cover 1 full teaching position

◆ Eliminate the admin assist position so Jason Fiorito will teach part-time in stead of full-time as admin assist

◆ Losing 3.2 teaching positions – 1 TAG, 4.4 general ed; gain 2 connection positions

◆ More creative about connections so some teachers will teach Core classes.

◆ Gain .2 in remedial staff

◆ *Change this week* – lose 3 positions, 1 from science and 2 from social studies, none from ELA

◆ Teacher situations will be more flexible

◆ Off-set 90,000 that we must set aside

◆ 11 million earn, but spend over 10 mill just to staff the building

◆ 487,00 left and 90,000 in reserve so about 400,000 left

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4.3% other

95.7 needed to staff the building

*ELA & Math*

Hopefully more prof learning and dev. and more materials

PRIDE – not from cost center side – student activity funds

staff perks – most not from cost center side

Going through those 4 goals again that were mentioned earlier

Some flex funds from district – t-shirts, supplies, hope to have locker fee next year for more extra student activity funds

Green and blue on pie chart – paying for people to work here

Spending more than we earn on salaries actually

Other salaries – over time, supplements for club advisors, health benefits, etc.

Custodial contracts – we don't hire a full-time crew, we hire a contracted crew at night, outsourced, and we save some that way.

*Questions at bottom of chart:*

At-risk – remedial gained .2

ESOL – teachers need additional support

Counselors: Flexible position – 3<sup>rd</sup> position because it's needed here so we pay extra for that.

2 connections – will be moved to gen ed to support master schedule

**Questions?**

Laura: lost kindergarten for couple years where she lives – 2008

So we may see an uptick because her neighborhood is younger and is still in HMS district

Kindergarten was added to her area.

Elem school is reaching out to families that left to review

LeMoyne – another dept does enrollment projections, and they're spot-on.

They look at demographics, etc.

10% of our budget we can carry on now – that will help



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Goal: try to stay and maximize that 10% (45,000)

Sarah: licenses expiring? - we monitor a lot of programs; budget is year-to-year so we just re-assess each year.

**Motion:** Farah Kashlan

**Second:** Liz Dinnsen

**Approved:** All

8:15 am

**Action Item:** Flexible Fund Spending

Michael LeMoyne

1. GO formative software – last month – need to add one more person so that has been done already.

Asking for 1 extra license- 104.00

Ordered already quarter zip shirts for staff (\$3,290.00 ) – 100% joined PTA – Jeans all year– already paid through flex

Need water machine for staff room – fill water bottles & ice machine \$6,164.70

Need 360-degree media camera for creative room in media center

This would be a security camera at \$1,609.53.

Last – hand sanitizer \$2,097.75 already paid for to refill in classrooms.

Then we will have zero in our flex funds for 2020-2021.

**Motion:** Liz Dinnsen

**Second:** Karl Mackey

**Approved:** All

8:25 am

**Informational Item:** SGC Elections Update

Liz Dinnsen

Laura organized this to push out

Erin SGC support person said we have filled spots

3 parents running for 2 spots

Next – window closes tonight, get bios from parents, and we'll push those out for people to see to vote eventually

Rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents may vote as well

Voting Window: 17-24 of March

Teacher opening – Coach Hill and Mrs. Haak competition

Appointed slots – also after July 1



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8:30 am      **Informational Item:** Food Pantry Update      Chris Feldman  
Liz – update 10 kids have used pantry and 1 teacher took snacks to room for a student  
  
Rethink for future – maybe place to AP offices to use more as close to kids as possible.  
  
AP or grade-level chairs

8:32 am      **Informational Item:** Report from Superintendent’s Council      Farah Kashlan  
  
Laura  
  
Big news that teachers will be vaccinated.  
  
Milestones will be issued – super wants kids to be encouraged to take them  
  
Legislation – educational at the capital  
Summer school option – creative especially at the MS level – learning more  
Conducive to fun – more like a camp – more info coming  
Grading policy for next year – BOARD DOCS is public if you want to follow  
  
Review and share feedback.  
  
15% practice, 35% minor, 50% major ....may replace formative and summative  
  
Do grades reflect mastery of content?

**Discussion Item:** Public Comment – none in attendance      Chris Feldman

**Discussion Item:** Next meeting date & agenda      Chris Feldman  
Skip April’s scheduled meeting

**May 5 next meeting** - not much agenda

8:33 am      Staffing updates  
Thank out-going and welcome new SGC members.

8:33 am      District updates  
COVID updates

**Action Item: Meeting Adjourned**      Chris Feldman

**Motion:** Lara Moore  
**Second:** Lisa Werner  
**Approved:** All



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