

07/27/2023 School Committee Retreat (1:00pm-4:00pm)

### **Opening Remarks**

With a quorum present, Eric Friesner called the meeting to order at 1:12pm.

People Present: Eric Friesner, Chairperson; Danielle Cooke, Vice Chairperson; Lynda Pickbourn-Smith, Member; Daniel Vieu, Jr., Member; Mark McLaughlin, Interim Superintendent for South Hadley Public Schools; Jennifer Voyik, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Business Operations for South Hadley Public Schools

### **School Committee Goals**

Conversation about our committee goals as they relate to the South Hadley Master Plan

- Administrative plans for thorough SHPS Policy Review and updates
- Improving district-wide communication
- MPIC Goal #1: Action Steps for “Creating a Thriving Community” and “Education Beyond the Classroom”
  - Planning for open forums this Fall to discuss last year’s bullying data and provide resources for how the district helps to identify, report, and investigate instances of bullying

At 2:30pm, Administrators joined the meeting. Additional People Present include: Beth Cooke, Director of Student Services; Cindy Flynn, Mosier Principal; David Gallagher, Mosier Assistant Principal; Chris Fontaine, MESMS Principal; Annie Scanlan-Emigh, MESMS Assistant Principal; Remote People Present include: Liz Wood, SHHS Principal; Pat Lemieux SHHS Assistant Principal; Carla Lussier, Plains Elementary Principal

### **Round Table with District Administration**

- Updates from each building as a continuation from their Year End Review presentations to the School Committee during the 06/15 Public Meeting.

### **Shared Goals as identified during Round Table**

Creating a shared vision for the District to best support students in our schools

- Having more district-wide open forums to distribute resources and information to the community more proactively and frequently
- Continuing to hold the school community accountable for demonstrating upstander behaviors
- Enhance the pride in being a South Hadley Public Schools member, and continue to encourage strengths-based learning and experiences.

### **Closing Remarks**

Danielle Cooke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:06pm. Dan Vieu seconded the motion. A roll call vote passed unanimously 4/0.

Respectfully Submitted, Danielle Cooke, Vice Chairperson