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Kim Molin, Chair
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December 6, 2017 Minutes

Approved by the Board – January 3, 2018

In Attendance

- School Board members: Kimberly Molin (Chair), Rebecca Burdick, Nancy Considine
- Administration: Dr. Robert Sullivan (Superintendent), Dr. Ronna Cadarette (Assistant Superintendent), Kenneth Darsney (Principal), Matt Ferrera (Business manager), Aline Donabedian (Director of Special Services)
- Other: Nurse Kira Hayes

1. Call to Order – Nancy Considine called the meeting to order at 6:32pm. Kim Molin joined the meeting at 6:40pm.

2. Consideration of the Minutes:

   a. Rebecca Burdick made a motion to accept the November 1, 2017 Public minutes as written. Nancy Considine seconded. Vote 2 – 0 in favor.
   b. Rebecca Burdick made a motion to accept the November 13, 2017 Public minutes as written. Nancy Considine seconded. Vote 2 – 0 in favor.
   c. Rebecca Burdick made a motion to accept the November 14, 2017 Work Session minutes as written. Nancy Considine seconded. Vote 2 – 0 in favor.

3. Reports:

   a. Superintendent – Dr. Sullivan reviewed his report which included details of the scheduled holiday events and an opinion piece from Education Weekly, “Can Schools Help Change the Sexual Harassment Culture?”

   b. Principal – Principal Darsney’s report was included in the packet and reviewed by Mr. Darsney. Mr. Darsney distributed a revised copy of the census report that was included in the packet.
   c. Board – The community mailing was sent today.
   d. Finance – Nothing new to report. A budget committee hearing is scheduled for January 9, 2018 at 7:30pm at Barnard.
   e. Facilities – Nothing new to report.
   f. Board Goals Update – Nothing new to report.
   g. Other –
i. Nurse – Update – Nurse Hayes reviewed her report outlining the services she is now able to provide since the transition to becoming full-time.

4. Questions and Comments from Those in Attendance – None.

5. Continuing Business

a. Principal Search Process Update – Dr. Cadarette reviewed the input provided by community members during the November 14, 2017 meeting. Dr. Sullivan thanked Dr. Cadarette for her continuing work.

b. Superintendent Search Update – Matt Ferreira provided an update that the screening committee has begun the work of candidate review and evaluation. A recommendation will be made to the Joint School Board on December 18, 2017.

6. New Business

a. High School Vocational Education – Dr. Sullivan confirmed that Whittier Regional Vocational High School does not accept students from South Hampton. As an alternative to seeking a vocational experience at Whittier, Dr. Sullivan advocated for these students to transfer to Winnacunnet High School and attend their vocational program through Seacoast School of Technology. This option would be possible through consideration of a Manifest Educational Hardship. The decision to allow a student to take this pathway would be made by the superintendent of SAU 21 and the respective school boards.

b. 2018 – 2019 Budget Review Dates – A Budget Committee hearing was scheduled for December 8, 2017 at 7:30pm at Barnard School.


8. Policy

a. Third Read and Approval – IJOA-R2 – Approval was delayed in anticipation of potential changes to the policy.

b. Second Read and Approval – JICI – Dr. Sullivan recommends delaying approval of this policy in anticipation of the New Hampshire School Boards Association modifying a similar policy. The second read and approval were delayed.

9. Other – None.

10. Signing of the Manifests – Completed.

11. Next Meeting Date: January 3, 2018 6:30pm.

12. Non-Public (if needed) under RSA 91-A:3 II (a-e) Roll Call Vote – Not needed.

13. Adjourn – Kim Molin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm. Rebecca Burdick seconded. Vote 3 – 0 in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Callahan, School Board Secretary