

**LACONIA SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 21, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M.  
SAU BOARD ROOM VIA ZOOM**

The Laconia School Board held a regular meeting, virtually via Zoom due to the Governor's State of Emergency Order (COVID-19) Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 39 Harvard Street, SAU 30, Board Room. **PRESENT:** Aaron Hayward, Bob Champlin, Dawn Johnson, Heather Lounsbury, Laura Dunn, Malcolm Murray, Superintendent Steve Tucker, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds, and Business Administrator Christine Blouin.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chairperson, Heather Lounsbury, called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M. Chairperson Lounsbury read aloud the checklist to ensure meetings are compliant with the Right-to Know Law during the State of Emergency and conducted a roll call. The agenda was posted on Friday, April 17, 2020 at the SAU office and on the District's website, along with being sent to each of our schools, the Laconia Daily Sun, Laconia Library, and City Hall, in accordance with RSA 91-A.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion made by Malcolm Murray to amend the agenda to reflect an additional item, Ward 5 vacancy, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The roll call vote was unanimous.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Malcolm Murray to amend the minutes to reflect "The Laconia School Board held a regular meeting, virtually via Zoom due to the Governor's State of Emergency Order (COVID-19) on Friday, April 3, 2020". Seconded by Dawn Johnson. The roll call vote was unanimous.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Budget & Personnel:** Bob Champlin reported the Budget and Personnel Committee met on April 7<sup>th</sup> to follow up from the April 3<sup>rd</sup> School Board meeting regarding the bus contract. April 28<sup>th</sup> the committee will finalize the budget. The budget will be presented to the School Board on May 5<sup>th</sup> and then presented to City Council on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Facilities/CIP:** Malcolm Murray reported that the Facilities Committee met on April 20<sup>th</sup> via Zoom and reported on the auditorium, gym floor restoration, kitchen, the gym batting cage and the bleachers at LHS, the kitchen at WHS, tiling at ESS, and the tiling and sound system at PSS.

**Policy:** Aaron Hayward reported that the Policy Committee met on April 14<sup>th</sup> and will have 6 first read policies and 2 second read policies to bring forward tonight.

**Strategic Planning/Portrait of a Graduate:** Dawn Johnson reported that this committee will meet on May 12<sup>th</sup>

**Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** Aaron reported that this committee will meet on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Board Member Input:** There was no Board member input.

**BOARD CHAIR REPORT/CALENDAR**

**Policy Committee Chair:** Chairperson Lounsbury reported on the Superintendent evaluation process and the end of year activities with emphasis that the District hopes to have traditional activities but must adhere to the government guidelines of social distancing.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Community member, Cheryl Hebert asked what other districts are doing for end of year activities? Tara Shore asked if there was a way to recognize the top ten students and athletes even if it is to gather in a different way?

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Tucker reported on the social restrictions and how that may impact end of year activities, he added that the district is looking at ways to celebrate our students' achievements. Superintendent Tucker went on to report on short-and-long-term planning, and attendance.

Assistant Superintendent Hinds reported remote teaching and learning, balance of flex days, extended school year, state hourly academic requirement, teacher close out days, float days, and the plan to work through April break in order to end the school year on June 5<sup>th</sup>, and District employment positions.

Business Administrator Blouin reported on the 2020-21 Budget and the presentation timelines, the EAL negotiations this coming September and the LEA negotiations next year.

**DISCUSSION**

**1st Read Policy BEDC Quorum:** The Board read the revisions to this policy. There was no discussion on this policy.

**1st Read Policy JLD School Counselor and Guidance Program:** The Board read the revisions to this policy. There was no discussion.

**1st Read Policy DAF Administration of Federal Funds:** Aaron Hayward said this policy is a guide to distribute federal funds.

**1st Read Policy DJC Petty Cash Accounts:** The Board discussed the revisions of this policy.

**1st Read Policy DJF Local Purchasing:** Aaron Hayward said this policy came out of policy DAF

**1st Read Policy JLDBA Behavior Management and Intervention:** The Board read the revisions to this policy. There was no discussion.

**2nd Read Policy BEB Emergency Board Meetings:** The Board read the revisions to this policy. There was no discussion.

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**2nd Read Policy JLDBB Suicide Prevention and Response:** Assistant Superintendent Hinds said this is from the NH School Board Association and has minor edits.

**Memorandum of Understanding 2019-20 End of Year/April Vacation:** Superintendent Tucker said if the MOU is passed, teachers and students would work through April break and end the school year on June 5<sup>th</sup> with additional float days for students that may need extra help along with professional development opportunities for teachers.

**Ward 5 Vacancy:** Board Chairperson Lounsbury said she received Nick Grenon's intent letter on April 19<sup>th</sup> to represent Ward 5 on the Laconia School Board. Nick is a Laconia High School alumnus and is actively involved in the community.

**ACTION**

**2nd Read Policy BEB Emergency Board Meetings:** Motion made by Malcolm Murray to approve policy BEB Emergency Board Meetings as presented, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The roll call vote was unanimous.

**2nd Read Policy JLDBB Suicide Prevention and Response:** Motion made by Dawn Johnson to approve policy JLDBB Suicide Prevention and Response as presented, seconded by Bob Champlin. The roll call vote was unanimous.

**Memorandum of Understanding 2019-20 End of Year/April Vacation:** Motion made by Malcolm Murray to approve the Memorandum of Understanding 2019-20 End of Year/April Vacation as presented, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The roll call vote was unanimous.

**Ward 5 Vacancy:** Motion made by Laura Dunn to approve Nick Grenon to represent Ward 5 on the Laconia School Board, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The roll call vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Malcolm Murray to adjourn, seconded by Laura Dunn. Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Tucker  
Clerk