

The Laconia School Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 39 Harvard Street, SAU 30, Board Room. **PRESENT:** Aaron Hayward, Bob Champlin, Dawn Johnson, Heather Lounsbury, Laura Dunn, Malcolm Murray, Stacie Sirois, 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 6:30 P.M. The agenda was posted on Friday December 13, 2019 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 Stacie Sirois to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Malcolm Murray. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Heather Lounsbury to approve the minutes from the December 3, 2019 School Board meeting as presented, seconded by Malcolm Murray. The vote was unanimous.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

PRESENTATIONS:

Superintendent Tucker presented on Elm Street School's "The Three Shifts" and the work with Karolyn Wurster for K-5 and Title I Teachers. Superintendent Tucker shared the D.A.R.E (discuss, agree, record, edit) model with the Board explaining students work with a partner on a math scenario to come up with an answer statement. Superintendent Tucker said this is a high level of engagement in math that allows students to learn from mistakes and make edits.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Personnel: Bob Champlin reported that the Budget and Personnel Committee will meet on January 22, 2020 at 3:30 PM. Budget work sessions are scheduled for February 4th at 6PM and February 18th at 6PM at the SAU.

Facilities: Malcolm Murray reported that the Facilities Committee met on December 16th and reported that the Christmas Projects will be underway and that Siemens is working on the lighting automation.

Policy: Stacie Sirois reported that the Policy Committee has a couple policies coming forward tonight for a first reading and more will come forward to the Board in the coming weeks. The Policy Committee will meet again on January 9th at 4:30 PM

Strategic Planning/Portrait of a Graduate Task Force: Superintendent Tucker said there will be a report on the Portrait of a Graduate Task Force in the Superintendent's report.

Master Professional Development Plan Task Force: Aaron Hayward reported that the Master Professional Development Plan Task Force is wrapping up with external meetings before bringing the five- year Master Professional Development Plan to the full School Board. The Task Force will not have any more meetings.

Board Member Input: There was no Board input.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT/CALENDAR

Board Chairperson, Heather Lounsbury reported on the delegate assembly scheduled for January 2, 2020. Laura Dunn and Aaron Hayward will attend the assembly. January 7th will be a Board training with Barrett Christina from NH School Board Association. Bob Champlin added that Mayor elect, Andrew Hosmer, invited him to be the emcee at Mayoral inauguration on January 9th at the Belknap Mill. The inauguration will start at 7PM.

School Board Work Session

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

5:00 PM at SAU 30

School Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

6:30 PM at SAU 30

Policy Committee Meeting

Thursday January 9, 2020

4:30 PM at SAU 30

Mayoral Inauguration

Thursday, January 9, 2020

7:00 PM at the Belknap Mill

Budget & Personnel Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

3:30 PM at SAU 30

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Tucker reported that the Portrait of a Graduate Task Force added a 6th attribute to the draft plan which is creativity. The attributes are as follows: Communicate, Creativity, Collaborate, Persevere, Problem-Solve, and Self-Direct. Staff will look at a draft of the Portrait on the February 11th in-service day. Assistant Superintendent Hinds reported that the percentage of students attending a 4-year college is down while the percentage of students attending a 2-year college is up. The Board talked about ways to track students post high school graduation and also talking with seniors early on to get a sense of their aspirations and see if they are experiencing any challenges.

Superintendent Tucker reported that City Council will have a public hearing sometime in January to talk about the Vaping License of the Raven Vape Shop on Union Ave. The Board would like more information on the dangers of vaping and number of vaping related infractions in our schools. Assistant Superintendent Hinds reported that Student Services is working to increase the district's ability to support social-emotional learning through community partners and through the Office of School Wellness, they will be spearheading the work to increase our understanding and awareness of diversity and inclusion to ensure all students and staff feel safe and supported. Superintendent Tucker concluded the report informing the Board of the ESSence of Giving event at Elm Street School, The district teams at the Lakes Region Children's Auction, Family Night event at Pleasant Street School, Huot Technical Center's contribution to the annual Christmas Village at the Community Center and the Office of School Wellness' programs for district staff.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1st Policy Reading: AC- Equal Rights: Stacie Sirois said the Policy Committee omitted the procedure from this policy.

1st Policy Reading: IHBAB-Special Education Evaluation: Stacie Sirois said the change in this policy is updated law citation.

Rescind Policy EHAA- R Computer Security, E-Mail and Internet Communications Regulations: Stacie Sirois there is not a need to have this regulation as we have a policy in place. The Policy Committee is currently reviewing the policy.

NHSBA 2020 Delegate Assembly- Proposed Resolutions: The Board discussed proposed resolutions in the NHSBA 2020 Delegate Assembly handout.

Pleasant Street School/Laconia Middle School Robotics Grant: The Board discussed the Robotics Education Development Program grant that was awarded to Laconia Middle School in the amount of \$1,668.00 and to Pleasant Street School in the amount of \$991.00 for the school year 2019-2020.

AREA School and Huot Career & Technical Center Enrollment: The Board discussed the CTE AREA Agreement. The consensus was that they agree that on April 15, 2020 if there are any open seats at HTC they will open them up to AREA schools including Newfound. Schools in the current AREA Agreement will continue to have their allotted seats.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

1st Policy Reading: AC- Equal Rights: Motion made by Stacie Sirois to table action on this policy as it is a first read, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

1st Policy Reading: IHBAB-Special Education Evaluation: Motion made by Stacie Sirois to table action on this policy as it is a first read, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

Rescind Policy EHAA- R Computer Security, E-Mail and Internet Communications Regulations: Motion made by Bob Champlin to rescind policy EHAA-R as presented, seconded by Stacie Sirois. The vote was unanimous.

Pleasant Street School/Laconia Middle School Robotics Grant: Motion made by Dawn Johnson to accept the Robotics Education Development Program grant award to Laconia Middle School in the amount of \$1,668.00 and to Pleasant Street School in the amount of \$991.00 for the school year 2019-2020, seconded by Malcom Murray. The vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Stacie Sirois to adjourn, seconded by Dawn Johnson. The vote was unanimous. The Board meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Tucker
Clerk