

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Mal Murray, Heather Lounsbury, Stacie Sirois, Mike Persson, Aaron Hayward, Barbara Luther, Dawn Johnson, Superintendent Brendan Minnihan, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds and Business Administrator Christine Blouin.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Mal Murray called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The agenda was posted on January 12, 2018, 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 Barbara Luther, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Stacie Sirois, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the minutes of January 2, 2018. The vote was unanimous, with Barbara Luther abstaining.

PRESENTATION

PACE Update: Elementary Academic Coordinator of Teaching and Learning, Gail Bourn and LMS/LHS Academic Coordinator of Teaching and Learning, Angel Burke presented to the Board on the status of Performance Assessment for Competency Education (PACE) in the District. Gail and Angel shared about the Teacher Leader Trainings. Teacher Leaders from each buildings have been attending these and other Professional Development opportunities that have been offered since becoming a PACE District. Angel discussed the status of LMS and LHS as Tier Two schools and what that entails. Gail Bourn discussed the status of the Elementary Schools as Tier One Schools. Gail also discussed the task assessments students in grades 3-5 will be taking in the Spring. Gail also discussed the Performance Based Assessments students have been taking to show their mastery of the competencies. Gail and Angel informed the Board on the next steps in the PACE process. There were several questions from Board members on PACE.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Personnel: This committee will meet on January 25th at 8AM. They had a non-meeting last week to discuss EAL negotiations.

Facilities/CIP: This committee met with Facility Director Peter Johnson last week, they discussed the five year maintenance plan Peter has been working on.

Policy: This committee met on January 16th at 6:00PM, they have three polices coming forward tonight for a second reading and will have other policies coming forward at the next School Board meeting for a first reading.

Strategic Planning: This committee met on January 10th. They looked at College, Career and Life Ready skills. They will meet next week.

Legislative Update: There was a meeting on SB 193 at the House of Representatives Fiscal Division today. Dr. Minnihan attended for a while today. It will go to Fiscal Division II for next steps.

Board Member Input: There was no Board Member Input.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Mal Murray informed the Board the Super Saturday date is March 17th.

CALENDAR

Strategic Planning Meeting	Wednesday, January 24, 2018	6:00PM @ SAU
Budget and Personnel Meeting	Thursday, January 25, 2018	8:00AM @ SAU
School Board Meeting	Tuesday, February 6, 2018	7:00PM @ SAU

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Minnihan informed the Board he has received letters from the Governor's office saying they are recommending our grants in the area of security. Senator Hassan met with Principals, Student Services Coordinators, McKenzie Harrington-Bacote, Amy Hinds and himself on Friday, January 12th. Dr. Minnihan also informed the Board that on Thursday, January 11th Dave Levesque was awarded the Elementary Principal of the Year during a ceremony he and Amy attended. He told the Board that Coffee with the Superintendent on Friday also went well. Lastly, he informed the Board that they are in the beginning stages of looking at a new student information system.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2nd Policy Reading: EHB: Data/Records Retention; EHB-R: Local Records Retention Schedule; JLCD: Administering Medication to Students: There was no discussion on the policies.

NEASC Reports: Angel Burke informed the Board that every ten years the Laconia High School needs to be reaccredited, this will be in 2020. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) has changed their process for the accreditation. Part of that change is they start the self-study three years out, instead of two. The Board will need to approve the Mission Statement, Core Values and Vision that has been created at the Laconia High School. There were many questions on the new process and the self-study the high school is in the process of completing. The Board also discussed tabling the vote until the next meeting.

GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no general/public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

2nd Policy Reading: EHB: Data/Records Retention; EHB-R: Local Records Retention Schedule; JLCD: Administering Medication to Students: Motion made by Heather Lounsbury, seconded by Dawn Johnson, to approved policy EHB: Data/Records Retention; EHB-R: Local Records Retention Schedule; JLCD: Administering Medication to Students.

NEASC Reports: Motion made by Mike Persson, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to table the vote until the February 6, 2018 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mike Persson, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hinds
Clerk