

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Stacie Sirois, Mal Murray, Chris Guilmett, Aaron Hayward, Heather Lounsbury, Barbara Luther, Superintendent Brendan Minnihan and Business Administrator Christine Blouin. Absent: Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds and Mike Persson

#### CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Stacie Sirois called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The agenda was posted on July 21, 2017, 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 Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the minutes of June 20, 2017. The vote was unanimous, with Barbara Luther abstaining.

#### BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Budget & Personnel:** This committee has not met.

**Facilities/CIP:** This committee has not met.

**Policy:** This committee met on July 25th. LMS and LHS parent/teacher handbooks are going forward tonight for approval. They reviewed the Elementary Handbook and the wellness policy.

**Strategic Planning:** This committee met on July 6<sup>th</sup>. The discussed assembling a team to create manageable goals related to the Strategic Plan.

**Legislative Update:** Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that the legislature is not in session.

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

#### BOARD CHAIR REPORT

##### CALENDAR

Strategic Planning Meeting	Tuesday, August 15, 2017	5:30PM @ SAU
School Board Meeting	Tuesday, August 15, 2017	7:00PM @ SAU
Policy Committee Meeting	Tuesday, August 22, 2017	5:30PM @ SAU
New Teacher Induction	Friday, August 25, 2017	8:00am @ LMS Cafeteria
District Opening	Monday, August 28, 2017	7:00am @ LMS

#### SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that at the Administrative Retreat, they discussed district programs that the District will focus on. The programs will include curriculum, trauma informed care, PBIS and UbD. There has been continued work on the teacher evaluation tool and they are hoping to implement this at the start of the school year. At the Retreat, they also decided to leave the District's mission statement the same but to look at it through equity and student opportunity. Dr. Minnihan also gave them an update on vacancies in the District.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

**2017-2018 LMS/LHS Parent/Student Handbook:** Chris Guilmett informed the Board of some of the changes to the two handbooks. Mr. Murray asked about the change in the plagiarism and the reasoning why. He was informed on the background of that decision.

**Nomination/Election of Staff:** Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that although they have given him the permission to hire he would still like them to know and approve who has been hired in the district.

**2017-2018 School Budget:** Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that City Council approved the Budget but thinks the School Board should also approve it. Christine Blouin distributed a summery sheet of the budget with the total appropriation amount that will need to be approved.

#### GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no general/public comment.

#### ACTION ITEMS

**2017-2018 LMS Parent/Student Handbook:** Motion made by Mal Murray, seconded by Barbara Luther, to approve the 2017-2018 LMS Parent/Student Handbook.

**2017-2018 LHS Parent/Student Handbook:** Motion made by Mal Murray, seconded by Barbara Luther, to approve the 2017-2018 LHS Parent/Student Handbook.

**Nomination/Election of Staff:** Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Mal Murray, to accept the nomination/election of staff as presented. The vote was unanimous.

**2017-2018 School Budget:** Motion made by Mal Murray, seconded by Chris Guilmett, to approve the total appropriation amount of \$38,804,429. The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hinds  
Clerk