

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Mal Murray, Stacie Sirois, Mike Persson, Scott Vachon, Chris Guilmett, Joe Cormier, Business Administrator Ed Emond, Assistant Superintendent Kirk Beitler and Superintendent Terri Forsten. Absent: Barbara Luther.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Joe Cormier called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The agenda was posted on May 29, 2015, at the SAU office and on the district's website, along with being sent to each of our schools, "The Citizen", Laconia Library, and City Hall, in accordance with RSA 91-A.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Board Chair Joe Cormier asked to amend the agenda to move the Non-Public Session to after the Recognitions. Motion made by Mike Persson, seconded by Chris Guilmett, to approve the agenda as amended. The vote was unanimous.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Scott Vachon, seconded by Chris Guilmett, to approve the minutes of May 19, 2015 as presented. The vote was unanimous with Mike Persson abstaining.

**RECOGNITION**

Board Chair Joe Cormier shared a few words about the retiring educators and thanked them for all that they have done while employed in the the district. He presented a gift to each of the eight educators who are leaving the district with a combined total of 246 years of teaching experience in Laconia. Superintendent Terri Forsten highlighted each of their careers with Laconia School District and thanked them for all that they have contributed to the district and students. Retirees from the school district for 2015 are: Carolyn Bordeau, Cindy Stewart, Kelly Bliss, Phillip Breton, Karen Snow, Karen Champlin, Ginny Bean and Pam Beaudoin.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Mal Murray, to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3II letters b and c. Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board went into Non-Public Session at 7:14 PM.

Motion made to come out of Non Public Session by Scott Vachon, seconded by Mike Persson. Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board came out of Non Public Session at 8:00 PM.

Scott Vachon made a motion to offer the position of interim superintendent to Dr. Philip McCormack, seconded to Chris Guilmett and approved unanimously. Scott Vachon made a motion to give Board Chair Joe Cormier the right to negotiate a one year contract which will be brought forward at the next school board meeting, seconded by Mal Murray and approved unanimously.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING**

**Public Relations:** Business Administrator Ed Emond shared with the Board that Tri-State ASBO (Association of School Business Officers) has awarded a scholarship sponsored by Siemens for \$750 to be given to a Laconia High School senior who is going into STEM related studies. This scholarship will be given out at the LHS Awards Night on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Budget & Personnel:** This group met tonight before the meeting to review items and information that the City Council had requested. This information will be sent over to City Hall tomorrow.

**Facilities/CIP:** This group has not met. Mal Murray met with Kirk Beitler and Ed Emond to review the budget for summer projects.

**Policy:** This group met on May 27<sup>th</sup> to review handbooks and will be bringing forward tonight handbooks that have been reviewed for discussion and action.

**Strategic Planning:** This committee has not met.

**Legislative Update:** None

**Board Member Input:** Arrangements for attendance of Board Members at the graduation ceremonies was discussed. Stacie Sirois attended the LHS Sports Awards and the Huot Awards ceremonies and said that they were well organized.

**BOARD CHAIR REPORT/CALENDAR**

LHS Awards Night	Thursday, June 4, 2015	6:00 pm @ LHS
Laconia Academy Graduation	Friday, June 5, 2015	7:00 am @ LHS
LHS Graduation	Saturday, June 6, 2015	10:00 am @ LHS, weather permitting
School Board Meeting	Tuesday, June 16, 2015	7:00 pm @ SAU

**SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

In the interest of time there was no Superintendent's report tonight.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

The Board discussed the LHS Student/Parent Handbook and the LHS Faculty Handbook. Scott Vachon had several points that he made. Stacie will bring the recommendations back to the Policy Committee for review.

**GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dick Coggon asked if there would be a non-meeting. Joe Cormier said that there would not be. He also said what a great idea the Construction Camp for middle school students was. He hopes that this will encourage students to attend the Huot programs.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**LHS Faculty Handbook:** A motion was made by Scott Vachon, seconded by Mal Murray to approve the LHS Faculty Handbook. The vote was unanimous.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Scott Vachon, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirk Beitler  
Clerk