

**LACONIA SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M.  
HTC MVSB DINING ROOM**

The Laconia School Board held a regular meeting, at the Huot Career and Technical Center on Tuesday, September 1, 2020.

**PRESENT:** Aaron Hayward, Dawn Johnson, Heather Lounsbury, Joe Cormier, Laura Dunn, Malcolm Murray, Nick Grenon, 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, August 28, 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 Board Member Cormier to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Board Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Board Member Murray to amend the minutes to reflect that Joe Cormier reported out on Budget & Personnel Committee on August 18<sup>th</sup> and not Bob Champlin, seconded by Board Member Cormier. The vote was unanimous. The amended minutes were approved as presented.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**Remote Learning-** Academic Coordinators, Angel Burke and Gail Bourne presented on remote learning. The presentation highlighted work with Jim McCollum, the weekly schedule, learning platforms, staffing, curriculum, instruction and assessment, the pros and cons of remote learning, and the September 14<sup>th</sup> start date.

**Air Quality Update-** Bob Champlin and Bill Caruso presented on the air quality proposal highlighting Rist Frost Shumway engineers, the ongoing ventilation work, how the air systems work, and the short-term and possible long-term solutions.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Budget & Personnel:** Board Member Cormier reported that this committee met on August 24<sup>th</sup> and discussed COVID-19 expenditures, staffing, bussing, safety and cleaning materials, technology, and support for custodial staffing and remote learning.

**Facilities/CIP:** Board Member Murray reported that this committee will meet next week and invited the Board to take a tour of the new bleachers and auditorium at Laconia High School.

**Policy:** Board Member Hayward reported that there are a few policies up for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> read tonight and the committee will meet on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 PM.

**Strategic Planning/Portrait of a Graduate:** Board Member Johnson reported that this committee will meet on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** Board Member Hayward reported that this committee is on hold until the end of October.

**Board Member Input**

Board Member Hayward made statement regarding a recent post on Facebook and cited policies BBAB and BCA.

**BOARD CHAIR REPORT /CALENDAR**

Board Chairperson Lounsbury reported on New Teacher Induction, In-Service days, the Primary Election on September 8<sup>th</sup> which includes the School Board election for Ward 4 and 5, the NHSBA legislative summary that was sent via email and the upcoming webinars. Board Chair Person Lounsbury also informed the Board that the City Council is exploring the option to use HTC for City Council meetings.

**Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

**School Board Meeting**

**6:30 PM at HTC MVSB Dining Room**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Assistant Superintendent Hinds reported that the August 27<sup>th</sup> PD day had 19 teachers in attendance that included teachers from the following departments; music, band, library, nurses and administrators. September 2<sup>nd</sup> there was a meeting with nurses about PPE and those supplies will be distributed to building in a couple days. The kindergarten screenings were well attended and the Office of School Wellness is pushing out updated resources for COVID-19.

Superintendent Tucker reported on New Teacher Induction, Seamless Summer Options being extended to January possible later, Opening Day with the virtual welcome, cleaning protocols, student and staff wellness, Fatsbridge assessment tool, transportation, and Project EXTRA perusing a significant grant and their delay start of afterschool programming of October 5<sup>th</sup>.

**DISCUSSION**

**Remote Teacher Proposal:** Superintendent Tucker said there is a need for 13 teachers which will be up to \$54,000 per quarter for the remote division and that Budget and Personnel is comfortable to support the proposal.

**Custodial Support:** Business Administrator Blouin reported the need for additional custodial help which would be \$125,000 for 8 custodian 5 hours a day, 5 days a week for 180 days.

**1<sup>st</sup> Read Policy IKFLA Credit from Laconia Academy:** The Board discussed this policy and the credits and the approval process.

**1<sup>st</sup> Read Policy IKFLB Laconia Academy:** The Board discussed this policy and the 20 credit diploma versus the 26 credit diploma.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Read Policy GBEA Staff Ethics:** Board Member Hayward reported that this policy coincides with the adoption of the NH Code of Ethics.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Read Policy GBEBD Employee Use of Social Networking Sites:** The Board discussed this policy and the changes.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**ACTION**

**Remote Teacher Proposal:** Motion made by Board Member Murray to approve the Remote Teacher Proposal as presented, seconded by Board Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

**Custodial Support:** Motion made by Board Member Murray to approve the Custodial Support Proposal as presented, seconded by Board Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

**1<sup>st</sup> Read Policy IKFLA Credit from Laconia Academy:** Motion made by Board Member Hayward to table this policy, seconded by Board Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

**1<sup>st</sup> Read Policy IKFLB Laconia Academy:** Motion made by Board Member Hayward to table this policy, seconded by Board Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Read Policy GBEA Staff Ethics:** Motion made by Board Member Cormier to approve policy GBEA as presented, seconded by Board Member Murray. The vote was unanimous.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Read Policy GBEBD Employee Use of Social Networking Sites:** Motion made by Board Member Cormier to approve policy GBEBD as presented, seconded by Board Member Murray. The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Board Member Murray to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous. The Board meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Tucker  
Clerk