

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2017, at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Stacie Sirois, Mal Murray, Chris Guilmett, Mike Persson, Aaron Hayward, Barbara Luther, Heather Lounsbury, Superintendent Brendan Minnihan, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds and Business Administrator Christine Blouin.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Stacie Sirois called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The agenda was posted on September 1, 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 Mal Murray, to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Mal Murray, to approve the minutes of August 15, 2017. The vote was unanimous, Heather Lounsbury and Stacie Sirois abstained.

#### PRESENTATION:

**Office of School Wellness Grant Updates:** Administrator of the Office of School Wellness, McKenzie Harrington-Bacote presented to the Board on the grants her office oversees. She updated the Board on the status of her grants and discussed the different processes to apply for grants.

#### BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Budget & Personnel:** This committee met on August 23, 2017. They discussed the end of year financials and the committee plans to meet in a few weeks.

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

**Policy:** This committee met on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. They discussed the Huot Handbook and Athletic Handbook.

**Strategic Planning:** This committee has not met. They will meet on September 12<sup>th</sup>. They have reached out to community members to join in an advisory role.

**Legislative Update:** The legislature has not met, there should be a school funding bill that will be discussed when the legislature resumes.

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

#### BOARD CHAIR REPORT

##### CALENDAR

Strategic Planning Meeting	Tuesday, September 12, 2017	5:00PM @ SAU
School Board Meeting	Tuesday, September 19, 2017	7:00pm @ SAU

#### SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Minnihan informed the Board he received a letter from Work Camp NE thanking the District. He also informed the Board that WMUR has reached out to interview him, McKenzie, and a student who is a member of Stand Up Schems. Dr. Minnihan has received a field trip request from the Laconia Middle School for a trip to Canada in 2018. Dr. Minnihan updated the Board that our Hi-Set program that is held during the day will no longer continue due to the lack of grant funding used to support this program. Lastly, he informed the Board that the start of schools has gone well.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

**Nomination/Election of Staff:** Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that there are four staff members being brought forward tonight. There was discussion on the teachers who have left that created the vacancies.

#### GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Coggon asked if there is anything else that will be discussed in non-public, he was informed there is nothing else being discussed in non-public. Mr. Coggon asked if there would be a non-meeting. He was informed there would be no non-meeting. He also informed the Board that he enjoyed watching the LHS Graduation on public access TV although the audio was bad and he could not hear it. He also asked how many people applied for early retirement. He was informed there are four requests. He also informed the Board that the curbing and parking lot look nice.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**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.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

Motion made by Mike Persson, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3II letter c. Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board went into Non-Public Session at 7:32PM.

Motion made to come out of Non-Public Session by Mike Persson, seconded by Aaron Hayward, Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board came out of Non-Public Session at 7:39PM.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Motion made by Mike Persson, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to seal the non-public minutes of September 5, 2017, because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would adversely affect the reputation of any person other than a member of this board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mike Persson, seconded by Chris Guilmett, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hinds  
Clerk