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NEWFOUND AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**School Board Minutes**

Monday, May 22, 2017

Immediately following public hearing- Regular School Board meeting

Location: LMC- Newfound Regional High School

I. Call to Order by Jeff Levesque at 6:05 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Record Roll:

Sue Cheney, Alexandria	arrived at 6:13 p.m.
Vincent Paul Migliore, Bridgewater	arrived at 6:10 p.m.
Jason Robert, Bristol	present
Jeff Levesque, Groton	present
Don Franklin, Hebron	present
Christine Davol, New Hampton	present
Sharon Klapyk, Danbury	present

IV. Jeff Levesque made a motion to enter non-public session at 6:06 p.m. for the purpose of the dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Don Franklin seconded the motion.

Vote was by record roll: Alexandria-absent; Bridgewater-absent; Bristol-yes; Groton-yes; Hebron-yes; New Hampton-yes; Danbury-yes

Present in non-public: Jeff Levesque, Don Franklin, Chris Davol, Sharon Klapyk, Jason Robert, Vincent Migliore (arrived at 6:10), Sue Cheney (arrived at 6:13), Stacy Buckley (Superintendent)

The board reviewed nominations and resignations. No motions were made during non-public.

Jeff Levesque made a motion to leave non-public session at 6:25 p.m. Sue Cheney seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Groton- yes; Danbury- yes; Bridgewater-yes; Bristol- yes; Hebron-yes; Alexandria-yes; New Hampton- yes

Jeff Levesque called the public meeting back to order at 6:29 p.m.

- V. Public Hearing to legalize, ratify, and confirm the prior actions as the results of the school district election and school district meeting as outlined in HB 329. Recent elections that were held during a snowstorm forced the Town of Alexandria to vote on a different day. As a result, the Board needs to ratify, legalize and confirm the election results. Sue Cheney added that Alexandria did ratify the towns vote last week. Jeff asked if there was any public comment. There was no public comment.

Jeff Levesque made a motion to legalize, ratify, and confirm all election results for the 2017 school district elections outlined in HB 329. Don Franklin seconded. No discussion. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed.***

VI. Student Presentations:

a. Leah (BHVS): Invention Convention

Leah won first place in Mrs. Shedd's B-HVS third grade classroom Invention Convention Program. She presented at the State level Invention Convention and won first place in the category of "most unique project" and she is invited to Washington, D. C. June 1-3 to show her invention. Leah delivered an excellent presentation of her most unique project that is a "secret pet scanner."

b. BES 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade Science Fair

Mrs. MacDonald introduced several BES students who delighted the audience by showing their 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade science fair projects. Sharon Klapyk and Therese Wetherington were two of the judges for this year's Science Fair, and next year the school is looking to change the science fair into a school wide STEM fair. The 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders presented their projects and answered questions from the board. The projects were great and the Board was appreciative of the time that the students put into their projects.

Lucas McDonald, Bubble Trouble, Teacher Award

Tegan Drake, Waterproof Paper, Most Original Idea

Ian MacDonald, Coins vs. Liquids, Best Display

Whistler Broome, A Dog's Nose Knows, First Place Fourth Grade

Athena Meringolo-Hibbert, Fruit Battery, Teacher Award

Joshua Marandos, Sink or Float, Teacher Award

Sam Worthen, Does Color Affect Academic Performance? Scientist Award

Cora Sanschagrín, Understanding Absorption, Teacher Award

c. Jay Peringer-How SOLE is making a difference at NMMS

SOLE stands for Self Organized Learning Environment. Stacy Buckley introduced Jay Peringer and Jay Lewis who came to discuss focusing on student driven learning. Jay Peringer gave a brief history of SOLE, inspired by Sugata Mitra, which emphasizes whole classes breaking into smaller groups of 3-4 students working on a large question. This year's goal at NMMS was that every teacher would do at least one SOLE as part of the pilot project. Next steps are in house professional development, collaboration and expanding the number of SOLE activities.

Discussion: Jay Lewis said the question is not important; rather the depth of knowledge is most important. Students enjoy SOLE and it helps them to know what questions they can ask. Stacy Buckley likes putting technology in the hands

of students. Focusing and behaviors are positive because the students are interested and self-directed.

VII. Approval or Modification of Agenda  
None

VIII. Approval of Minutes

a. May 8, 2017

Sharon Klapyk revised the second bullet on page 3 to read, “Sharon Klapyk said ‘thank you’ to Wallace Building Products for donating the wood and volunteers to support the work of the garden boxes at Danbury, and also a ‘thank you’ to all the volunteers who helped.”

Jason Robert corrected X. c. page 3 to read, “Greg Palmer was nominated for full time elementary music teacher.”

XIV. fourth bullet on page 4 should read, “Jeff Levesque moved to accept the nomination of Greg Palmer as elementary music teacher.”

Jason Robert suggested the non-public minutes be corrected to reflect consistency with public format. The roll call that was taken during non-public minutes on page one should read, “Groton-yes; Hebron-yes; Bridgewater-yes; Alexandria-yes; Bristol-yes; Danbury-yes; New Hampton-yes.”

Don Franklin inserted a sentence on page 3, XI. Old Business. “The charge per Hill student was based on the cost per Newfound student.”

IX. Public Comment  
None

X. Correspondence  
None

XI. Announcements and Recognition

a. Staff Liaison Report

- John Lellos said Bridge Academy has 34 students signed up.
- Healthcare Expo in Laconia May 23 for 20 middle and high school students.
- Last week 20 students attended a Manufacturing Expo.
- Juniors are taking initial steps toward their senior project for next year.
- We had three Unified athletes compete in the recent track meet. Newmarket also entered a Unified athlete.
- High school staff passed final NEASC report.

b. Student Liaison Report by Nick Crosby

- Student Council held an annual Blood Drive with a lot of students and community members donating blood throughout the day.
- Three of the four foreign exchange students gave an excellent presentation to the entire high school about who they are and what their native countries are

like including school, food, hobbies and other fun facts. The cultural presentation was very well received.

- 34 seniors will be graduating as a NH Scholar having met the rigorous course requirements. NRHS delegation of NH scholar seniors went to the Fisher Cats stadium with other NH scholars around the state to watch a game of Fisher Cats versus Toronto Thunders.
  - Spring athletic programs at NRHS are off to a great start. Softball and baseball teams won their season opener games.
  - Class of 2018 put on a successful senior/junior prom at the Inn on Newfound and the theme was “Masquerade.”
  - Juniors took the Science NECAPS May 16
  - A majority of the band and chorus students went on the music field trip to Jackson, New Jersey last week and brought home many trophies for their musical performance. Band and chorus took first place in mixed band, choir, jazz ensemble, concert band, accapella choir, mixed concert choir. Ethan Pruett, Jacob Pfister, Joshua MacLean, and Julianne Buchanan received individual awards for outstanding solos.
  - Nick Crosby is proud to introduce Kaylan Santamaria who will be the new student liaison for next school year. Kaylan won the Voice of Democracy contest and is involved in clubs, field hockey and National Honor Society. Kaylan will recite her award winning Voice of Democracy speech on the observed Memorial Day, May 29, following Bristol’s Memorial Day Parade.
- c. Superintendent Report
- Ballots were emailed to staff asking them to please choose one candidate as the 2017-2018 Non-voting Faculty Member to the School Board. John Lellos may return as next year’s representative.
  - Schools are busy with standardized testing, field trips, Spring Fling, music concerts, and many other activities approaching the end of school year.
- d. Other  
None

## XII. New Business

### a. Resignations

Jeff Levesque thanked two NHCS teachers, Scott McCann, fourth grade teacher and Samantha Austin, special education teacher for their years of service.

### b. Nominations

Jeff Levesque welcomed Tracy Gagnon, Brendan Caulfield and Jacob de Boer for next school year.

### c. Handbook Approval

#### i. Elementary Student/Parent Handbook

Sharon Klapyk noticed some things that needed to be revised (such as staffing and dates). Stacy Buckley said those things will be updated as staff are hired and dates are set.

- ii. NMMS Student/Parent Handbook
- iii. NRHS Student/Parent Handbook

iv. Athletic Handbook  
Placed on consent agenda

XIII. Old Business  
None

XIV. Public Comment (on agenda items only per policy BDDH, 5 minute limit)  
None

XV. Motion on Consent Agenda

- May 8 meeting minutes
- Handbook: Elementary, Middle School, High School and Athletic

 Vincent Migliore moved to accept the consent agenda. Sharon Klapyk seconded.  
Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

XVI. Motion on Individual Agenda Items  
Jeff Levesque made a motion to accept the resignations of Scott McCann and Samantha Austin. Don Franklin seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

Jeff Levesque made a motion to accept the nominations of Brendan Caulfield and, Jacob de Boer at NRNHS, and Tracy Gagnon at NHCS. Jason Robert seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

Jeff Levesque moved to give the Superintendent permission to accept resignations until the next meeting. Christine Davol seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

XVII. Financial

- a. Approval of Manifest(s)  
Sue Cheney moved to approve financial manifests for March and April 2017. Jason Robert seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

XVIII. Adjournment  
Sharon Klapyk made a motion to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. Jeff Levesque seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Whittier, School Board Clerk

District Staff present: Stacy Buckley-Superintendent; Therese Wetherington- Curriculum Coordinator; Paul Ciotti-Tech Director; Jay Peringer-NMMS; Jay Lewis-Principal NMMS; Mrs. Shedd-BHVS; Nifty Broome-Bristol; Dana Andrews-Principal BHVS; Elise MacDonald-BES teacher;

Public present:  
Greg Worthen-Bristol, and many other parents, teachers and school aged children.

Newfound Area School District

Monday, May 22, 2017

Professional Staff Resignation:

Name	School	Position	Effective Date
Scott McCann	NHCS	4 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher	6.30.17
Samantha Austin	NHCS	Special Education	6.30.17

Professional Staff Nominations

Name	School	Position	Track/Step	Salary
Brendan Caulfield	NRHS	Social Studies	MA/2	\$38,872
Jacob deBoer	NRHS	Math	BA/4	\$39,250
Tracy Gagnon	NHCS	Guidance Counselor (.6)	MA+15/1	\$38,684 (prorated to .6)

Approved 5/22/17