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NEWFOUND AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**School Board Minutes**  
 For  
 Monday, March 13, 2017  
 6:00 p.m. Non-Public Session  
 6:30 p.m. Public Session  
 Location: LMC- Newfound Regional High School

- I. Call to Order by Jeff Levesque at 6:03 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Record Roll:

Sue Cheney, Alexandria	arrived at 6:11 p.m.
Vincent Paul Migliore, Bridgewater	absent
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 6:04 p.m. for the purposes of 91-A (3) (a) 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. Christine Davol seconded. Vote was by roll call:

Alexandria	absent
Bridgewater	absent
Bristol	yes
Groton	yes
Hebron	yes
New Hampton	yes
Danbury	yes

5-0-0-2 **Motion Passed** (Alexandria, Bridgewater absent)

Minutes from non-public:

Present in Non-public: Jeff Levesque, Sharon Klapyk, Chris Davol, Don Franklin, Jason Robert, Stacy Buckley (Superintendent).

Jeff made a motion to approve the leave request as presented by the Superintendent. Chris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Jeff

Levesque- yes; Sharon Klapyk- yes; Chris Davol- yes; Don Franklin- yes, Jason Robert- yes. ***Motion Passed.***

Jason Robert made a motion to leave non-public at 6:11. Jeff Levesque seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Jeff Levesque- yes; Sharon Klapyk- yes; Chris Davol- yes; Don Franklin- yes, Jason Robert- yes. ***Motion Passed***

Jeff Levesque called the public session to order at 6:30 p.m. and reminded the public that when the board enters non-public session it is not necessarily a negative personnel matter. On the contrary, the request may be something the staff member needs granted by the board.

V. Approval or Modification of Agenda

Superintendent Buckley announced there would be no school Tuesday, March 14 due to the weather.

VI. Student Presentations: NMMS Exciting School Happenings (rescheduled from previous meeting)

Stacy Buckley introduced Christina Cronin, NMMS Social Studies Teacher who had 5 students present enrichment activities from her social studies class. Emma Sawyer and Lindsay Lacasse showed videos depicting life in ancient Greece and modern Greece. Three middle schoolers, Maggie Bednaz, Mackenzie Jenkins and Zoe Davol, showed a video of a bread baking demonstration.

VII. Approval of Minutes

a. February 22, 2017- School Board meeting and public hearing

Corrections requested by Sue Cheney:

1. Alexandria Public Hearing 2/14 should read...”Sue Cheney, Alexandria, agrees with Lucille that there are *increased costs* the board has no control over so we make cuts.”
2. Danbury Public Hearing 2/17 should read...”Michael Limanni explained the 2% tax cap is on the local assessment and not on the *total* budget.”
3. Deliberative Session 2/4 p.5 bottom should read...”if it went to bond, the *payments on the* interest would also have to be added to tax cap.”
4. Deliberative Session 2/4 p.5 the moderator asked for a hand vote following a voice vote and Sue Cheney does not think the hand vote was taken by the moderator because the voice vote was “too close” to call.

Correction requested by Don Franklin:

5. 2/13 XI. g. Committee Assignment should read...”Facilities Director Interview, Don Franklin volunteered *and suggested that Paul Ciotti be added to the committee.*”

b. February 14, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, and 23, 2017- public hearings

c. February 4, 2017 Deliberative Session minutes

Placed on consent agenda with corrections.

VIII. Public Comment

Susan Colby, Bristol, supports getting the blizzard bag program.

- IX. Correspondence  
Thank you letter for retirement gift from Katie Knott-Garon.
- X. Announcements and Recognition
- a. Staff Liaison Report  
John Lellos spoke about the ice plunge fundraiser; science department is collaborating with NHCS PTO; Sheila Miller's Financial Literacy team is doing very well; Amy Doolin is in New Mexico studying how to teach Human Rights course.
  - b. Student Liaison Report  
Nick Crosby said the high school girls' varsity basketball team has been receiving just recognition for a winning season.
  - c. Superintendent Report  
"Legally Blonde" was well performed and worth seeing at the middle school.
  - d. Other  
Sharon Klapyk commented how happy she was with the student presentation by NMMS and how excited the students were about learning.  
Jeff Levesque added his congratulations to the NRHS girls' basketball team.
- XI. New Business
- a. Approval of Support Staff Handbook  
Changes are mainly for clarification purposes.
  - b. Approval of Specialist Handbook
  - c. Policy for 1<sup>st</sup> read
    - i. IMG: Service Animals  
This is a summary of the roles and responsibilities when a student arrives with need for a service animal.
    - ii. IKF: Graduation  
NRHS high school administration recommends an increase in science requirements for graduation. We currently only require two credits of science for graduation but three sciences are being recommended for the incoming freshman class of 2018.  
Jeff Levesque thinks the public should have the opportunity to provide input, look at the policy, reflect and comment on it.
  - d. Field trip request
    - Susan Moore requests a Costa Rica trip 4/20 to 4/28/17 as educational/international experience. 12-14 students. \$2600.
    - DES Sarah Roberts fifth grade requests to go to Boston 5/12/17 for Revolutionary War studies.
  - e. Strategic Planning- direction and focus
    - Jeff Levesque referred to a book that the Superintendent had previously provided to board members that can give guidance to the board.
    - Superintendent asked, "What would the board like to see as a strategic plan?"
    - New assignments will be made at the next meeting and the committee may include the facilities director, the superintendent, business manager, as well as people from the community who are committed.

- Don Franklin would like to move forward so we can think about a capital improvement plan based on it.
- Timeline was discussed; possible two year planning the five year strategic plan
- Stacy Buckley is looking for feedback and will work on who will be on the committee and bring it to the next meeting.  
Jeff noted that the Strategic Planning Committee will work to develop the plan, but the Board will ultimately approve the plan.

XII. Old Business  
None

XIII. Public Comment (on agenda items only per policy BDDH, 5 minute limit)  
Fred Robinson, Danbury commended the board for thinking about the strategic plan. He had a question about the Support Staff Handbook in regards to the professional development online system.

XIV. Motion on Consent Agenda

- Minutes with corrections
- Policy first read
- Field trips

Sue Cheney made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Sharon Klapyk seconded.  
Vote 6-0-0-1 (Bridgewater absent) ***Motion Passed***

XV. Motion on Individual Agenda Items  
Sue Cheney made a motion to approve the Support Staff Handbook. Jeff Levesque seconded. Vote 6-0-0-1 (Bridgewater absent) ***Motion Passed***

Sue Cheney moved to approve the Specialist Handbook. Jason Robert seconded.  
Vote 6-0-0-1 (Bridgewater absent) ***Motion Passed***

XVI. Financial  
a. Approval of Manifest(s)  
Sue Cheney moved to approve manifests for December 2016, January and February 2017. Jeff Levesque seconded. Vote 6-0-0-1 (Bridgewater absent) ***Motion Passed***

XVII. Adjournment  
Sharon Klapyk made a motion to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. Jason Robert seconded.  
Vote 6-0-0-1 (Bridgewater absent) ***Motion Passed***

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Whittier, School Board Clerk

District staff present: Stacy Buckley, Michael Limanni, Therese Wetherington, Paul Ciotti.  
Public present: Heather Gosson, Bristol; Jen Halliwell, New Hampton; Kellie Jenkins, New Hampton; Christina Cronin, Rumney.