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NEWFOUND AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Board Minutes
 Monday, March 26, 2018
 6:30 p.m. Public Session
 Location: LMC- Newfound Regional High School

- I. Call to Order by Superintendent Stacy Buckley at 6:34 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Record Roll:

Sue Cheney, Alexandria	present
Vincent Paul Migliore, Bridgewater	present
Heidi Milbrand, Bristol	present
Jeff Levesque, Groton	present
Jason Robert, Hebron	present
Christine Davol, New Hampton	present
Sharon Klapyk, Danbury	present
- IV. Nomination of Chair of the Newfound Area School Board
 Stacy Buckley opened nominations for Board Chair. Sue Cheney moved to nominate Jeff Levesque for School Board Chair. Christine Davol seconded. Vote 6-0-1-0 (Groton abstained) ***Motion Passed***
- V. Nomination of Vice Chair of the Newfound Area School Board
 Jeff Levesque took over the meeting as Chair. Jeff Levesque moved to nominate Jason Robert for School Board Vice Chair. Vincent Migliore seconded. Vote 6-0-1-0 (Hebron abstained) ***Motion Passed***
- VI. Appointment of District Treasurer
 Sue Cheney made a motion to appoint Michelle LaCroix for District Treasurer. Jeff Levesque seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***
- VII. Appointment of District Clerk
 Vincent Migliore moved to appoint Ruth Whittier for District Clerk. Sharon Klapyk seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***
- VIII. Approval or Modification of Agenda
 - Vincent Migliore has a few items under New Business:
 - Bracelets with an anti-bullying message

- Status of the Superintendent's evaluation
- Written reply from Café Services
- Question on the update of Mr. Auger

IX. Approval of Minutes

a. March 12, 2018

Sue Cheney, page four, XI. a.

Should read as follows: Sue Cheney is also in favor because repetition of math daily is important. (leave out the "78 minutes")

X. Public Comment

- To enhance communication, Vincent Migliore asked the board to be cognizant of being heard on the audio recording and describing the content of handouts, for the benefit of audience and those watching the video.
- Christine Davol said she watched the last meeting video and could see and hear it all. Dana Torsey, New Hampton attended the previous meeting and was dismayed that questions on the Default Budget were not answered and the Default Budget was tabled. Selectmen were present and parliamentary procedure prevented people from speaking.
- John Rescigno, Groton said the previous minutes omitted to list names of two invited people. He was also concerned that important questions were not answered. He asked about salaries of administration and about 1.6 million from last year's budget- where it went.
- Vincent Migliore explained that there are two Public Comments on the agenda. The first Public Comment is to encourage the public to come and share on any topic. We hold our discussions and before we vote, we hold a second Public Comment for additional comment based on what was heard during discussion. The public can also notify the Superintendent ten days in advance to put an item on the agenda.
- Dana Torsey reiterated that at the last meeting people waited to comment and the discussion was tabled.
- Paul Simard, Bristol would like to discuss the \$700,000 added to the Default Budget that the voters never had the chance to vote on. He said the CIP was initiated in May.
- Taxpayers and citizens have a right to know how they are taxed. He advised the board to reconsider the \$700,000 that was put in the Default Budget.
- Don Milbrand, Bristol was generally agreeable to the board's decision to table the issue until tonight's agenda but feels it is an important issue and will be given more close attention in the future by the public.
- Vincent Migliore clarified that Archie Auger was in attendance but the discussion of his concerns will be held another time, at Archie's request as he was not feeling well, on the April 9 agenda.
- John Rescigno won't be here April 9 and requested the meeting be rescheduled.
- Dana Torsey wants to discuss it tonight.
- John Rescigno says the towns want to rectify the situation and he wants to be at the meeting where it is discussed.

- Vincent Migliore explains it is not appropriate to discuss an issue that is not posted in case members of the public want to add input.
- Dana Torsey confirms with Jeff Levesque that the agenda item will be posted for the April 9 board meeting to speak with Archie Auger. Mr. Torsey says he came with one question. It was suggested that he email the question to the Superintendent.

XI. Correspondence
None

XII. Announcements and Recognition

a. Student Liaison Report
None

b. Staff Liaison Report

- John Lellos said Megan Guldner is working on a faculty/staff scholarship for a Newfound graduate.
- SAT tests were given to juniors at the high school March 21.
- Project Promise numbers in Bristol are up.
- Jacob de Boer congratulates his Destination Imagination team that made it to the State Championship.

c. Superintendent Report

- Stacy Buckley recognized Don Franklin for his long years of service (he is now on the Budget Committee) and John Larsen for his more recent tenure on the school board. She also congratulated new board members Heidi Milbrand, Bristol member, and Jason Robert, Hebron, and Ned Gordon for moderator.
- Last week students participated in a voluntary modified walkout as a respectful tribute to those who lost their lives. Thank you to John Lellos for coordinating the event.
- The eighth grade step up night at the high school was very well attended. This is where students and parents met with teachers and staff for next year.
- Sue Seaverns and the Superintendent are working together on a Project Promise one year grant that has a potential for five years.

d. Other
None

XIII. Old Business
None

XIV. New Business

a. Proposed meeting schedule

The handout that has the school board's proposed meeting schedule has two corrections: The April 19 date should be April 9. Also, May 29 is a Tuesday, not Monday.

- Vincent Migliore reminded the public that school board meetings are held the second Monday of the month with few changes.
- b. Committee Assignments
- Jeff Levesque asked the members to look over the Committee Assignments and get back to Jeff concerning this. He will sort things out and get back to members.
 - Discussion: Vincent Migliore said historically the Contract Negotiations Committee involved the entire board being part of the negotiation and maybe that should be discussed again this year. Also, why is the B-HVS Agreement Negotiations listed as being negotiated. Stacy Buckley explained the agreement expires next year. Jeff Levesque has some provisions to talk about concerning enrollments. Mr. Migliore feels neither he nor Jason Robert should serve on that committee because of their ties to Bridgewater and Hebron. Mr. Robert agreed. Jeff Levesque does not anticipate any problems.
 - Stacy Buckley would like to ask the board if Sue Cheney and Christine Davol can still attend the Policy Committee meeting on April 2 because there are a lot of policies to review. Board agrees to this. This will cover policies until the new committee assignments are completed.
- c. Manifest approval sign ups
Stacy Buckley asked board members to sign up for two months and handed out the Manifest approval sign-up sheet for them to sign.
- d. Field trip request
Shelley Doucette requests to take the NHCS third grade on a day trip to the New England Aquarium in Boston, MA that is a culminating activity of the social studies, science and class trip. Departure is June 13 at 7:45 a.m. and return is at 3:30 p.m. There will be 15 students and 8 chaperons. Cost of field trip is \$364 plus the cost of the bus, which is \$585.
- e. Review of election results
Stacy Buckley explained the election results and why there was an error in the reporting we received from one of the seven towns. The error was corrected and the results were reposted.
- Vincent Migliore asked about the process for voting. In particular, he questioned why there were zeros under the category of “other” on the election results. What are generally known as “write ins” should have been counted under “other” to show transparency of election results. Stacy will work to correct this.
- f. Motion to transfer Hebron Village School Property to the Town of Hebron
The warrant to transfer Hebron Village School Property to Hebron passed in the recent election. The board needs to make a motion to deed the property to Hebron and address the cost of legal work.

- Discussion included a history of the property, what the process was for transferring the property to Hebron, and what legal costs were incurred that may be the responsibility of Hebron.
- g. Vincent Migliore added a motion to enhance communication, “The board shall require the following notice be added to the bottom of every page of our Agenda for the meeting. *‘Notice is hereby made that Public Comments shall be made without expectation of a response by any school board members to matters raised by such commentary. The board respects the right of the public to communicate its stance of matters of interest but meetings are scheduled in advance to conduct business put forth on its publicly posted agenda only.’*”
- h. Vincent Migliore inquired about the status of the Superintendent’s evaluation because it is usually performed in February. The status is that some surveys were not yet returned but when they are the evaluation will be scheduled in non-public.

Vincent Migliore introduced a novel idea for an initiative called, “I’ve got your back.” He handed out bracelets with IGYB that are part of an anti-bullying message and movement that he was made aware of by Representative, Laurie Sanborn. He asked the faculty/staff liaison to consider introducing the initiative at school as a positive message.

Vincent Migliore received a written response from Jaime Matheson, Director of Human Resources, Café Services concerning following through on their obligation to honor employee sick days. Mr. Migliore requested the response be put in the minutes of this meeting for public record. *“...All employees with balances were told that those balances were being honored. All of the grandfathered time was loaded into our system and has been available for use. Newfound team members have utilized some of the grandfathered time: Debra Patten, Angela Irving, Brenda Corbeil, and Cynthia Adams.*

Our team members are encouraged to create an account with ADP Workforce Now where they can see special announcement, view pay stubs, view PTO balances etc...Next week we are going out with additional encouragement to create that account! I will include a notice to the grandfathered team members that details what was carried over and what they have remaining... Please share this communication as you see fit.”

- XV. Public Comment (on agenda items only per policy BDDH, 5 minute limit)
- Dana Torsey commented on write-ins. He also asked that students use something other than balloons during events because some of those balloons end up in his fields and hay and are unhealthy for animals.
 - Bob Brooks, Hebron made a point that if write ins are not recognized it looks like nobody voted for anyone but the candidates. He wrote in two people.
 - John Rescigno thinks that the responses to public questions are selective since not all questions are answered but some are.

XVI. Motion on Consent Agenda
None

XVII. Motion on Individual Agenda Items
Sharon Klapyk moved to approve minutes of 3-12-18. Sue Cheney seconded. 5-0-2-0
(New Hampton and Hebron abstained) ***Motion Passed***

Christine Davol moved to accept the request for a field trip to Boston. Jason Robert seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

Sue Cheney moves to transfer the deed of Hebron School Village Property to the Town of Hebron and authorize the board chair to sign the deed. Jason Robert seconded.

- Discussion: should Hebron pay the legal fees? Some board members felt that legal fees should not be paid out of our budget because we did not initiate it. After lengthy discussion, it was decided to leave the motion as is and have the cost negotiated in later conversations between the district and Hebron.
- Dana Torsey spoke to the board about a similar scenario that took place with the Town of New Hampton.

Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

Vincent Migliore submitted his written motion to enhance communication, with the intent that the statement on Public Comment will be read by the chair at the start of Public Comment. Jeff Levesque seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

XVIII. Financial

- a. Approval of Manifest(s)
Sue Cheney moves to approve Financial Manifests for February 2018. Sharon Klapyk seconded. Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

XIX. Adjournment

Vincent Migliore made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Sharon Klapyk seconded.
Vote 7-0-0-0 ***Motion Passed***

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Whittier, School Board Clerk

District staff present: Stacy Buckley, Superintendent; Michael Limanni, Business Administrator; Anne Holton, Student Services; Kim Sarfde, Curriculum Coordinator; Paul Ciotti, Technology Coordinator

Public present: Bob Brooks, Hebron; John Rescigno, Groton; Betsy Schneider, Bristol; Becca Boudreau, Bristol; Paul Simard, Bristol; Don Milbrand, Bristol; Wayne H. Anderson, Bristol; Rosanna Anderson, Bristol; Dana Torsey, New Hampton; Archie L. Auger, Bristol