

NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Administrative Unit 50
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The regular monthly meeting of the Newington School Board took place on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Newington Public School.

PRESENT:

School Board Members: Dr. Mark Joyce (Chair)
Mr. Chris Russo

School Board Members

Not Present: Mr. Jack O'Reilly

Administrators:

Salvatore Petralia, Superintendent
Kelli Killen, Assistant Superintendent
Amy R. Ransom, Assistant Business Administrator
Sarah Reinhardt, Special Education Director
Peter Latchaw, Principal

Other Staff Present: None

Visitors: None

CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Joyce called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence in honor of the victims of September 11, 2001.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce, the public minutes of July 31, 2018 were approved. Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)

COMMUNICATIONS – None

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce, the manifest for July 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018 was unanimously approved in the amount of \$143,646.62 Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)

On a motion by Dr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Russo the manifest for August 1, 2018 through August 13, 2018 was unanimously approved in the amount of \$19,060.79 Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)

On a motion by Dr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Russo the manifest for August 14, 2018 through September 7, 2018 was unanimously approved in the amount of \$150,484.88. Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Petralia shared that a new staff orientation was held on Monday, August 20th at Greenland Central School. Fourteen new staff members attended the orientation which included presentations from central office staff, opportunities for new staff members to meet with their assigned mentor, an overview of the revised Plan for Effective Teaching, and training on PowerSchool.

The Opening Day Ceremony was held on Monday, August 27th at Greenland Central School. First day for students was Tuesday, August 28th. Members of the central office staff were assigned to a school building on opening day Tuesday morning to greet families and ensure a smooth opening.

Aside from a couple of busing questions from parents, the first week of school proceeded very smoothly.

Mr. Petralia shared that the New Hampshire State Legislature began to address the issue of Data Security and Privacy Rights over the last year.

Mr. Russo disclosed some potential resources regarding this issue.

Dr. Joyce asked if there will be action items regarding technology at the Joint Board meeting in October. Mr. Petralia responded that there will be action items in the future.

Information was provided on House Bill 1612 which requires the State Department of Education to establish "minimum standards for privacy and security of student and employee data" for local education agencies. A copy of the Bill is attached to member packets for reference.

Mr. Petralia indicated as approved by the SAU 50 Joint Board, the District-Wide Technology Audit began in early July and a final report will become available within the next two weeks. It is anticipated that the final audit report will contain some insightful information along with recommendations that parallel the requirements in HB 1612. Mr. Petralia looks forward to discussing the legislation along with the final audit report in the upcoming weeks.

The Board thanked Mr. Petralia for his report.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

Ms. Killen provided the Board with results of the New Hampshire State Assessments conducted in the spring of 2018. Also, Ms. Killen provided the Board with an update on her school visits to Portsmouth High School last year.

Ms. Killen asked Dr. Joyce to sign program assurances for the Title II Grants.

The Board thanked Ms. Killen for her report.

Business Administrator's Report

Ms. Ransom reviewed the FY 2020 budget timeline and indicated that it had been reviewed by Martha Roy at Newington Town Hall.

Principal's Report

Mr. Latchaw highlighted key areas of his report and mentioned the successful Fox Point Road Race held on Saturday afternoon, September 8th.

Mr. Latchaw thanked Dr. Joyce and Mr. Petralia for volunteering on the grilles and also to Mr. O'Reilly and Mr. Russo for attending the event.

Mr. Latchaw provided the Board with an update on 2018-2019 goals.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Nomination of Professional Staff

Mr. Petralia placed into nomination Mr. Bowden as Physical Education Teacher (10%) and Health Teacher (10%) in accordance with RSA 189, 39A, 39B. Vote: 2-0.

Non-Resident Tuition Applications

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Latchaw, Mr. Petralia asked the Board for approval of two non-resident tuition applications for the 2018-2019 school year. On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce, to approve the two non-resident tuition applications as presented. Vote: 2-0.

FY 2020 Budget Timeline

On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce the board approved the budget timeline. Vote 2-0

School District Moderator

On a motion by Dr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Russo, the board accepted the appointment of Ms. Hebert to the position of School District Moderator. Vote 2-0

Internet Content Filter

On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce, the board approved the request for an internet content filter to be installed by 2 Way Communication. Vote 2-0

NON PUBLIC

On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce, the Board entered non-public session at 5:55 p.m., in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (c) Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)

RECONVENE

On a motion by Mr. Russo, seconded by Dr. Joyce, the Board returned to public session at 6:07 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (c). Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)

ADJOURNMENT

*On a motion by Dr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Russo, the Board adjourned their meeting at 6:08 p.m.
Vote: 2:0 (1 absent)*

Respectfully Submitted,
Samantha Fuller,



Secretary