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*To be approved by the Rye School Board at the April 21, 2021 meeting.*

**RYE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

A special meeting of the School Board of the Rye School District was held through Google Meets on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

School Board Members: Margaret Honda, Scott Marion, Jeanne Moynahan, Matt Curtin, Heather Reed

Administrators: Salvatore Petralia, Superintendent  
Kelli Killen, Assistant Superintendent  
Brian Grattan, Director of Technology  
Mindy Green, Business Administrator  
Sarah Reinhardt, Special Education  
Marie Soucy, Principal  
Suzanne Lull, Principal

Visitors: Pamela Helfrich

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Honda called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

Ms. Honda announced that due to the State of Emergency, declared by the Governor, as a result of COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with Emergency Order 12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body was authorized to meet electronically.

Ms. Honda noted that there was no physical location for the public to attend, however public access was being provided through telephone and video electronic means via Google Meets.

Ms. Honda noted that all the members of the Board had the ability to communicate, and the public could listen, and make comment. Ms. Honda provided the meeting phone in number and meeting link information.

Ms. Honda noted that they had provided the public with notice of the meeting and she provided information for the public to alert the administration if there were problems. Ms. Honda mentioned she could be e-mailed if they had any contact problems. Ms. Honda noted that the meeting would be rescheduled if the public was unable to access the meeting.

Ms. Honda took roll call attendance, asking the Board Members to indicate if there was anyone in the room with them and all were alone, as that was required under the right to know law. All Board Members indicated they were present and alone.

## **PRESENTATION**

Ms. Jacquie DeFreze and Ms. Maggie Hanna presented information regarding Ready Math and Modern Classroom. Ms. DeFreze and Ms. Hanna thanked the Board for supporting them in taking the Modern Classroom course over the summer.

Ms. Hanna, the Math Teacher for Grade 2 at Rye Elementary School, implemented Modern Classroom from day 1 of the school year. Ms. Hanna noted that she was very happy with how modern classroom and ready math mesh together. Ms. Hanna presented slides showing what the students see in the classroom for each lesson. Ms. Hanna explained that each lesson had a different focus with 6 sessions. Ms. Hanna noted that each lesson included a parent letter, which provided great communication with parents. Ms. Hanna explained that teachers create the videos that the students watch.

Ms. Hanna said the positives included the parent communications, workbook pages, options to learn more, the public tracking, collaboration options, online piece, and it encouraged all the math practices. Ms. Hanna reviewed the session details including the must dos, should dos and aspire to do activities and the lesson quiz. Ms. Hanna said sometimes the diagnostics were not as accurate as they should be and some of the performance task and group activities could be improved, but she felt the benefits far outweighed the issues. Ms. Hanna appreciated the progressions for each grade.

Ms. DeFreze reviewed a fraction unit from her class curriculum. Ms. DeFreze explained the process for the students to work through the work, for guided notes, videos, partner discussions, vocabulary, resources for students, pair share solution discussions, and the exit ticket. Ms. DeFreze said the students appreciate working at their own pace, the collaboration, the independence, and she likes the flexibility to work with those who needed the help.

Ms. DeFreze and Ms. Hanna noted not using all the pages in the workbook. Ms. Lull noted that it allowed the students that understood the work to move forward.

Ms. DeFreze explained that there was a lot of planning work, but once the lessons were made, they were available and would only need a little adjusting.

Ms. DeFreze said the students like to see their teacher in the videos.

Ms. Honda said the presentation was helpful and allowed them to see what the students viewed and did in the classroom.

Ms. Hanna added that the videos allowed them to pause or rewind as needed. Ms. Hanna said if a student did not understand, she could work with them to provide immediate intervention.

Ms. Reed thanked the teachers for the presentation and asked if Modern Classroom was how they implemented the program iReady. Ms. Hanna and Ms. DeFreze confirmed that was how it worked.

Ms. Hanna clarified that Modern Classroom was not a program, it provided freedom to create and deliver instruction to suit the student's needs. Ms. DeFreze mentioned Modern Classroom was developed by a teacher to provide for all levels of understanding in the classroom and help replace his lecturing.

Ms. Honda asked about the preparation and instruction process for the students when using modern classroom.

Ms. Hanna explained that students gathered materials and chrome books, opened google classroom, clicked on the unit to access the slide shows and lessons.

Ms. DeFreze expressed how the students could be at a different point within the lesson watching the video, working on activity, in a pair share, etc. Ms. Hanna noted that as instructors they worked with students as needed, especially if the students appeared to be challenged by the work. Ms. DeFreze explained that when a student completed work, she corrected it in real time and could then work with the student.

Dr. Marion said he appreciated the personalized aspect but voiced concern over the public tracker. Ms. Hanna said that the tracker did not include data. Ms. Hanna said the way the tracker was presented made a difference and her students found it helpful but added with other groups of students it might be different. Ms. DeFreze explained that her students preferred not to use the tracker, which could have been due to the age difference.

Dr. Marion noted concern over lack of performance tasks. Ms. Hanna said that performance tasks were offered but added that they could be better, so she used others. Dr. Marion said that it appeared that the students were more engaged and asked if they appeared to have a deeper understanding. Ms. Hanna reviewed a St. Patrick's Day graphing project in which the students used strategies to problem solve that she had not seen used in previous years. Ms. DeFreze echoed the remarks and added that students were spending more time on word problems.

Ms. Moynahan said her daughter could have used a program like this and she would have enjoyed math had she had programs and teachers like Ms. Hanna and Ms. DeFreze.

Mr. Curtin asked about the unit length, guessing that it was about week of work for the roughly 6 hours of planning time. Mr. Curtin asked if there was more planning time needed with this program than previous years. Ms. DeFreze confirmed that it took more time, but the units were now planned and only need to be tweaked.

Mr. Curtin asked if it would be possible to use with all subjects verses the subject matter focus. Ms. Hanna explained that she would not implement this format for all subjects in the same year but add a subject a year.

Ms. Lull said four teachers were trained in modern classroom two of who were not teaching math.

Ms. DeFreze mentioned that it would work well with the reading program they used.

Ms. Soucy explained that Modern Classroom was used for all subjects at the Junior High but it lended itself to math. Ms. Soucy noted that all the teachers took the initial training and seven took the mentor program. Ms. Soucy said they did not structure it the same in every subject or class.

Ms. Reed asked about sharing the resources. Ms. DeFreze said she would share with the grade level. Ms. Hanna said they presented to the staff, but she felt the students preferred to hear their teacher on the videos.

Dr. Marion asked if all the teachers were using or was this being piloted. Ms. DeFreze said it was just being used by her and Ms. Hanna. Dr. Marion asked when the remaining staff could be trained to use. Ms. Lull said any training or transition would take place over the summer if it was decided to implement.

Mr. Petralia thanked the teachers for their presentation. Mr. Petralia asked if there was another level of training for the platform which the Administration or Board could support. Ms. DeFreze said they might be moving to a newer platform and so there could be more training for that. Ms. Hanna explained that there was a process for becoming a mentor.

Ms. Honda explained that the Board supported the training and professional development needed to implement.

### **Manifest/Financial Reports**

Mr. Petralia reviewed the Manifest of February 11, 2021 through February 22, 2021 for \$345,574.49 and Manifest dated February 23, 2021 through March 8, 2021 for \$397,058.05.

*Mr. Curtin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Marion, to approve the Manifest dated February 11, 2021 through February 22, 2021 for \$345,574.49. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

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Ms. Green said as of the end of February there was a 4% balance of \$593,318 of unexpended funds. Ms. Green explained that the over spent lines and lines with open funds available to cover those lines were listed within the notes.

Ms. Green noted that the revenue still needed to be reviewed and there would be adjustments when the Supplemental Public School Relief (SPSRF) federal funds of \$200 per students was added in.

Mr. Curtin asked if the end report was created by the system and wondered what the areas were under budget. Ms. Green explained that any areas showing open funds could change as expenses were still coming in. Ms. Green said sometimes the tuition line potentially had funds, but not for this year. Ms. Green mentioned that health insurance could have funds. Ms. Green explained that an e-mail would be sent out to close the budget. Ms. Green mentioned that there was \$20,000 from the culture study. Mr. Curtin noted furniture and language art supply lines and Ms. Green said there were plans to use the furniture funds.

Dr. Marion confirmed that the big expense areas were already included so it appeared there would be close to \$400,000. Dr. Marion noted with the changes in laws they could add up to 5% into the reserve fund.

Ms. Green said unless something breaks down or new students move into the district requiring services.

Ms. Honda voiced that it was good to have an estimate of funds available for programming. Ms. Green mentioned that another round of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency (ESSER) funds were expected and noted that the funds could be used towards HVAC and air quality.

Ms. Honda asked for a breakdown of the funds and asked what funds were available to put towards the students. Ms. Green confirmed that she could provide that. Dr. Marion mentioned the discussions regarding summer school and noted that funds could be applied to that.

Ms. Honda asked to move the approval of minutes.

### **Secretary Report Communications**

Mr. Petralia noted a communication from Ms. Papoutsy on behalf of the Association of Coastal Teachers regarding a personnel matter from 2017 and he requested that the Board review in Non-public with Ms. Papoutsy and Mr. Ross.

Mr. Petralia said there was a thank you from Ms. Papoutsy regarding the vaccine clinic and a thank you for sending the agenda out to staff each month.

Mr. Petralia noted a building use request from Lee Arthur at Rye Recreation for summer programming to be discussed later.

Mr. Petralia said he received a communication from Chief Walsh regarding renting tents for the town deliberative session. Mr. Petralia explained that the request included use of the fields and mentioned possibly sharing tent costs.

Dr. Marion asked if the school tent could be used. Mr. Petralia noted that the tent needed to accommodate 60 adults socially distanced. Ms. Honda asked if a vote was needed. Mr. Petralia confirmed that he preferred to have the request in the minutes.

Dr. Marion asked about the costs for the tent. Mr. Petralia said he would verify the costs. Ms. Honda explained that based on typical attendance the School Board would not need the tent.

Dr. Marion *made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reed, to allow the Town of Rye to use the field at Rye Junior High to put up a tent and conduct the deliberative session. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

Ms. Moynahan noted that more than 60 people typically attended the town deliberative session. Ms. Honda noted that there should be room but the spacing was for the town to consider.

### **Superintendent Report**

Mr. Petralia explained that House Bill 455, which both the New Hampshire School Administrators Association and the New Hampshire School Board Association were monitoring, had been retained in committee and would not be reviewed again until the next session.

Dr. Marion mentioned that it was in committee but could move forward.

Mr. Petralia reviewed the vaccine update, highlighting the move of teachers into the 2B group and the vaccine clinic on March 13, 2021.

Mr. Petralia noted that there would be a graduate level cohort at SNHU. Mr. Petralia explained that they collaborate with SAU 90, 21, and 52.

Mr. Petralia said he received an initial proposal for the transportation contract and discussions were ongoing. Mr. Petralia noted reasons for increases including the drivers being unionized and wage increases.

Mr. Petralia recommended that the Board approve the 2021-2022 academic calendar. Mr. Petralia explained that there was a calendar A and B for the Board to consider.

Mr. Curtin asked about the discounted rates for the cohort. Mr. Petralia explained within the CBA there were provisions and funds to cover costs.

### **Assistant Superintendent**

Ms. Killen was unavailable.

### **Central Office Reports**

Mr. Grattan said he did not have a report but noted that the Technology Coordinator would provide a report each month.

Mr. Grattan explained that the Comcast internet signal increase would take place in the coming week for both schools. Dr. Marion asked how much of speed would be gained. Mr. Grattan said the download 500 MB upload at 35 MB, but once the fiber connection was completed there would be 400 MB for both.

Mr. Petralia noted the unfortunate accident at Rye Elementary in which the school sign was destroyed. Mr. Petralia said Chief Walsh was on the case and they had a suspect. Mr. Petralia mentioned that the insurance company had been contacted and he asked if the Board wanted to change the sign. Ms. Honda suggested that they wait until the insurance claim and restitution were resolved before further discussions.

### **Principal Reports**

Ms. Soucy explained that the 4th quarter surveys were sent out regarding in-building and remote learning. Ms. Soucy explained that due to the retirement of Dr. Elwood, the STEM position was open. Ms. Soucy said Ms. Chandra Eves would be moving into that position. Ms. Soucy noted they would then have two science positions open.

Ms. Soucy said the planning for graduation began and they set the outdoor graduation for June 15, 2021 with a rain date of June 17, 2021. Ms. Soucy said they couldn't accommodate enough people inside, but they had surveyed parents to get a better understanding of the numbers.

Ms. Soucy said the high school transition activities had begun and the students had been watching videos including tours, Q&As, interactive jeopardy and they began the class selection process. Ms. Soucy noted that there was a process for parents who disagree with class placement. Ms. Soucy added that they were working on pulling together a panel of past students to discuss the transition.

Ms. Soucy explained that there was a tentative plan for the 4th grade transition starting with Ms. Dunn visiting the elementary school, a virtual parent informational night and they hoped to have the students visit the building. Ms. Soucy noted that similar activities would be provided to New Castle.

Dr. Marion said he supported having a panel of former students. Ms. Soucy said they were looking at a range of grades. Dr. Marion suggested collecting data from the group regarding the transition.

Mr. Curtin asked about the transitioning faculty before the overall plan for next year had been developed. Mr. Curtin noted concern with adjusting staff positions before having discussions about the bigger picture. Dr. Marion agreed that more discussion regarding programming was needed. Ms. Honda noted that there was an amazing woodworking shop that should be utilized and although it had been incorporated in STEM, she voiced the importance of continuing to use the equipment.

Ms. Soucy said staff discussions regarding the bigger picture and what they anticipated needing had begun. Mr. Curtin noted that he was suggesting reviewing needs before more transitions were made. They should have more discussions and decisions should not be determined by time or budget, but by the vision.

Dr. Marion said budget had to be considered but should not lead the decisions.

Ms. Lull said they would have outdoor field day and clap out for the 4th grade. Ms. Lull said there would be a Beach BBQ fun finale and annual walk to the light house.

Ms. Lull explained that she and Ms. Soucy were asking to waive the last two days for the teachers due to extra PD time done during remote days. Ms. Soucy said the teachers had done additional work and absences had been very low. Ms. Soucy reviewed the calendar and said this would be a great way to say thank you for all they had done.

Ms. Lull noted that the PTA summer camp also started on the Monday following the student's final day and this allowed the teachers to be involved in that. Ms. Lull emphasized that the PTA needed time to plan so they needed a decision soon.

Dr. Marion said the teachers had certainly earned the time and asked what the plans were for summer school. Ms. Honda supported.

Mr. Petralia voiced support of the idea and added that the schools had been given flexibility regarding filling the 180 days so there would not be a penalty for supporting this idea.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Solar Panel Contract**

Dr. Marion said he was reviewing the contract changes and would discuss the sticking points with Revision. Dr. Marion said they would vote on the contract in April.

### **2021-2022 Academic Calendar**

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Moynahan, to approve Calendar A as presented. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

The Board discussed Portsmouth Schools calendar. Ms. Reed asked if the two teacher workdays were off days for students, could they be remote days for students. Ms. Soucy explained that they were not certain if the state would allow remote days and Ms. Lull noted they could be conference days.

Ms. Honda noted this was a typical calendar as seen in the past.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Rye Recreation**

Ms. Lee Arthur presented a request for the use of for the Gymnasium for the Basketball Camp for a maximum of 15 and use of rooms 100 and 200 for the Horyezons Day Camp. Ms. Arthur explained that the Day Camp was a thematic camp which was normally held at the Recreation Area, but the Recreation area would not meet the needs of the re-opening guidance. Ms. Arthur explained that the camp would be following guidelines including wearing masks, hand washing, distancing, screenings, etc.. Ms. Arthur noted that they completed a successful soccer season with no incidents.

Ms. Honda noted that the academic summer programming had not been decided, so determining space needs was difficult. Ms. Honda also mentioned that the summer cleaning and facility work could conflict with using the rooms at the elementary school.

Ms. Lull said she had approved the Basketball camp but was reluctant to approve the day camp because of the Extended School Year (ESY) program which often takes 2 wings and uses the downstairs. Ms. Lull noted that they also had summer camp and facility work to do. Ms. Lull mentioned that she had offered tents as an option as well as suggested the use of the Junior High.

Ms. Reinhardt explained that they were still waiting on the guidance from the state about who will qualify for ESY and hoped to hear in the upcoming week. Ms. Reinhardt said the number of attendees was the next variable which was difficult to determine yet.

Ms. Arthur expressed that the department had been hit hard by the pandemic.

Ms. Honda suggested using Rye Junior High.

Ms. Arthur explained how the elementary space was the only space that would work given the age, protocols and resources.

Ms. Lull explained that supplies could be moved to the Junior High. Ms. Arthur said she would need to view the space.

Dr. Marion said he could not make a decision until the summer programming needs were determined. Ms. Moynahan deferred to Ms. Lull's recommendation.

Ms. Reed asked if the tent space could be used. Ms. Arthur said to follow protocols like hand washing, spacing and provide the type of programming planned, an indoor space was needed.

Ms. Honda asked when Ms. Arthur needed to know. Ms. Arthur explained the process for announcing dates and staffing. Ms. Honda suggested creating a subcommittee to gather information, determine options and problem solve. Mr. Curtin volunteered. Ms. Honda noted who else should be involved in the committee. Ms. Lull proposed handling on a building level and Ms. Honda said there should be Board Representation.

Mr. Petralia suggested scheduling a tentative special meeting to review this subject. Mr. Petralia pointed out that in addition to waiting on the state's guidance for ESY, it was too early for our schools to be assessing students for summer enrichment to determine what will be needed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Honda opened the meeting to public comment.

Ms. Pamela Helfrich, Rye resident and parent, explained that her children enjoyed the Rye Recreation Camp. Ms. Helfrich said that many camps are full, and the Recreation camp provided a program that both of her children could attend together. Ms. Helfrich noted programs like this were important for families like theirs, where both parents work. Ms. Helfrich said she supported the use of the school rooms for the camp. Ms. Helfrich expressed hope that the aftercare program would be running in the fall. Ms. Helfrich shared sincere thanks for how the school had provided full in person school.

Ms. Honda read the comments of Ms. Lisa Jacobis, Rye resident, regarding looking forward to her daughter entering kindergarten but they were concerned about how the 2021-2022 school year would work and what the after-school options would be. Ms. Honda reviewed Ms. Jacobis list of comments and questions regarding the need for the camp to use the space at Rye Elementary. Ms. Honda said that it seemed that most of her questions had been addressed.

Ms. Honda read the comments of resident Ms. Paula Tsetsilas, commending the Administration and Board for keeping the schools open and asked about the potential for considering in-person Friday learning after the break.

## **Letter of Support**

Ms. Honda reviewed the Board letter of support for the Town of Rye regarding an application for Transportation Alternative Grant to help with downtown improvements.

## **Summer Programming**

Ms. Soucy said they were still in the discussion phases for Summer Programming. Ms. Soucy explained that they wanted to provide what was both wanted and needed. Ms. Soucy mentioned that they were piloting the

IXL programming through the end of the year in Math and Science. Ms. Soucy said they could determine gaps with iExcel and it was possible to extend the use through the summer. Ms. Soucy expressed that a parent survey could be helpful. Ms. Honda said it could be beneficial.

Ms. Lull said she was confident there would be in-building support, but they did not have a plan yet.

Ms. Honda voiced that the Board needed to know the summer programming needs to determine funding support. Ms. Lull noted having some funds designated for the summer and felt by May she would know what was needed. Ms. Honda expressed envisioning something more comprehensive. Ms. Lull said they had discussed bigger programming, but the teachers were tired, and she was not sure who would be available.

Ms. Honda explained that this could be a partnership and did not necessarily need to include the teachers. Ms. Soucy noted that students might also be tired.

Mr. Curtin said the survey idea could be helpful to determine who would want help and who planned to take a break. Mr. Curtin suggested offering online curriculum.

Dr. Marion noted concerns regarding IXL. Ms. Soucy said the program had changed.

Dr. Marion suggested deeper learning opportunities. Dr. Marion suggested partnerships that provide investigation and interdisciplinary activities.

Ms. Honda reviewed how to present the questions in a survey to determine the direction. Ms. Reed noted that surveying was a good idea as camp registrations had been open and many may already have plans. Ms. Reed said having a list of options on the survey would help.

Mr. Curtin asked if other districts were offering things. Ms. Reinhardt noted that other districts were also asking what schools are doing and who had staffing. Ms. Reinhardt said districts are looking to work together and voicing that they are tired.

Mr. Petralia noted the importance of deciding interest and staffing. Ms. Petralia said a survey would be helpful but needed to include a menu of activities and dates.

Ms. Reed asked if there was funding for students who did not have resources. Ms. Honda said the PTA could be approached.

### **Academic Planning**

Ms. Honda asked for updates on the planning. Ms. Lull said they were reviewing what lessons had been learned this year but what the classroom configuration and protocols were still up in the air. Ms. Lull said the Rye Recreation after school would probably be an option.

Ms. Honda suggested bringing both school's staff members together to work on a cohesive district plan.

Dr. Marion asked if all the staff got vaccinated. Mr. Petralia said there were 151 registered for the clinic but that did not include all the staff. Mr. Petralia said some individuals were in the cue for getting vaccinated and others may be exempt due to religion or underlying health issues. Mr. Petralia said discussion regarding exemptions and what could be asked regarding vaccinations had begun. Mr. Petralia said the state would not force vaccination.

Dr. Marion asked to investigate and discuss the ramifications and obligations to an unvaccinated employee.

## **Re-Entry Plan**

Ms. Soucy explained that the state guidelines regarding traveling and quarantining had changed. Ms. Soucy said that quarantining was no longer required for domestic travel and she asked if the Board approved making those changes.

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reed, to approve the changes to the Re-entry Plan as noted by Ms. Soucy. Discussion: Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

Mr. Curtin asked if the travel revision were also changed at the CDC level and both Mr. Petralia and Ms. Soucy confirmed yes.

## **2020-2021**

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reed, to grant the Principals' request to shift the number of teacher working days to 178, decreasing their contract day obligation by two days. Discussion: Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

## **Approval of Minutes**

*Ms. Moynahan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Curtin, to approve the Public Minutes of February 17, 2021, as amended. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 4-0, 1 - abstention*

Ms. Moynahan mentioned that at the bottom of page 2 the last paragraph noted the Rye Educational Support Staff, but it should be Rye Education Support Personnel Association. Ms. Moynahan noted that under administrator Ms. Mindy Green's name appeared but on the following pages her name was list as Ms. Ryan, which should be changed.

Ms. Honda asked to defer the Non-Public Minutes.

Dr. Marion asked about in person School Board meetings and noted that the virtual meeting provides for more participation.

Ms. Moynahan mentioned that Ms. Honda may not be able to distribute the Non-public minutes. Mr. Petralia suggested that Ms. Honda review and the Board could approve based on her recommendation.

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Moynahan, to defer the approval of the Non-Public Minutes until the School Board is able to meet in person. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

## **Standing Committees**

### **REF**

Ms. Reed had nothing to mention.

## **Portsmouth High School**

Ms. Honda explained that the High School was reviewing in-building learning. A sub-committee has been created by the Portsmouth School Board to focus on both year-end and next year planning.

### **PTA**

Mr. Curtin said nothing specific, but they were working on spring events.

## **Rye Recreation**

Ms. Honda noted that was covered.

## **Budget Committee**

Dr. Marion noted that they are in between.

## **Technology Committee**

Ms. Curtin said he would connect with Mr. Grattan.

## **Special Issues**

Ms. Honda explained that she received a communication from Ms. Papoutsy asking for more communication between the Board and Staff. Ms. Honda said they would investigate more regular communication.

## **Policies**

Ms. Moynahan noted that GBCD - Background Record Checks was up for second reading and explained the changes.

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Moynahan, to adopt policy GBCD - Background Investigation and Criminal History Records Check. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

Ms. Moynahan reviewed the change for required policy IJOC for Volunteers. Dr. Marion expressed the concern over this policy being a hurdle for volunteers and Mr. Curtin explained how simple the process was.

Ms. Moynahan explained the options for second reading or adopting.

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Mr. Curtin, to adopt policy IJOC. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

Ms. Moynahan explained that policies DGD - School District Credit Cards and DID - Fixed Capital Assets related to business policies and were recommended by auditors. Ms. Green confirmed that the auditors did recommend and said DID changed the capitalizing of over \$25,000 down to \$5,000.

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Mr. Curtin, to adopt policy DGD - School District Credit Cards. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

*Ms. Moynahan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Curtin, to accept policy DID - Fixed Capital Assets, for first reading. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

Ms. Moynahan explained that EHAC was up for second reading but noted some confusion about including it in the drive. Dr. Marion expressed the desire to review before voting. Ms. Honda suggested tabling EHAC.

Ms. Honda said EB - Work Place Safety Program was the next policy but noted that Dr. Marion may not have seen. Ms. Moynahan explained that it came back due to concerns over establishing the committee. Ms. Moynahan explained that some districts adopted, and some did not. Ms. Moynahan said that Mr. Petralia would establish the committee for the board.

Mr. Petralia said he would administer the committee if the Board approved the policy. Dr. Marion suggested deferring. The Board discussed options. Dr. Marion and Ms. Honda voiced preferring not to have unnecessary policies. The Board agreed to defer.

## **OTHER**

None

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Mr. Curtin, to recess into a Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3(c) for matters of personnel at 8:35 p.m. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

**RE-ENTER PUBLIC SESSION**

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Moynahan, to re-enter into public session and seal the minutes of the non-public meeting minutes at 9:15 p.m. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Dr. Marion made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reed, to adjourn the regular School Board Meeting at 9:16 p.m. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: 5-0*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Samantha Panek  
March 26, 2021*

*Matt Curtin*

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Matt Curtin, Secretary

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