



RSU 3

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MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 3

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

7:00 PM, Monday, January 11, 2021

Via Zoom

RSU 3 Mission Statement

The mission of RSU 3 is to ensure personal success through personalized learning.

"Success in Learning - Success in Life"

RSU 3 Vision Statement

Every RSU 3 learner is prepared to be academically, socially, and emotionally successful in learning and life. RSU 3 is invested in what our learners know, what they are able to do, and what kind of citizens they are becoming.

A. Call to Order 7:01 PM

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

X Ashleigh Eastham (7:08)	X Richard Frost	X Terri Church
X Eleanor Hess	X Michael Schaab	X Najean Shedyak (7:05)
X Jonathan Lorenz (7:03)	X Nicole Hubbard	X Heidi Paul
X John Wentworth	X Jesse Hargrove	
X *Joseph Grassi	<input type="checkbox"/> *Emma McPherson	*Student Board Member

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D. Adjustments to the Agenda -None

E. Public Comment (Up to a maximum of 10 minutes) -None

F. Approval of Meeting Minutes

What action will the School Board take to approve the minutes of December 14, 2020, a regular board meeting?

HP- Recommended approving with the amendment under Superintendent's report number 3, change the date of January 25, 2020, to January 25, 2021.

Motion: MS

Second: JW

Vote: Yes – 9 Abstained - 1

G. Superintendent's Report

1. Appointments: Stephen Harrington - SNP Complex Custodian

Robert Curtis - Temporary Project Manager/Maintenance Support

2. COVID-19 impacts – CB reported that there have been 8 positive Covid-19 cases associated with RSU3 since the beginning of the school year; 6 of the 8 cases have happened since the middle of December. Due to the number of positive cases at the Complex within a 14-day window, the CDC has declared it an outbreak. Plans are in place if we do have to go fully remote. The Complex is considered one facility versus 3 separate schools per the CDC.

3. Updates regarding return to school – A lot of thoughtful care and compassion has gone into the decision to stay in the yellow hybrid model by the Return to School Committee. It was not a decision that was made lightly. One of the biggest obstacles RSU 3 has in regard to returning to a 4 days a week model is the lack of substitutes. The RSC will be sending out a survey to families in the next week or so.

4. Disposal of SNP equipment – Tina Fabian and Pete Quimby worked together to go through old school nutrition equipment in storage. They will list an industrial griddle, an industrial mixer, and 3 salad bar carts to sell.

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H. Committee Reports

Finance - JW reported that the Finance Committee signed the accounts payable and payroll warrants via email. This is typically done at an in-person meeting. We have filed for an extension MDOE in regards to the audit. RSU 3 just received a draft copy of the audit and will be looking that over. They will be meeting with the auditors at the beginning of February. The CRF deadline was December 30, 2020. We were able to apply for an extension on some of the projects that were slowed by supply chain issues. There are still funds available in the ESSER grant that goes until September 2022. There is talk of another ESSER grant that would be available to apply for that would go until September 2023. The FSY2022 budget is currently being worked on.

Policy -NH reported that policy BE would be discussed under new business.

Operations -EH reported that Pete Quimby shared a spreadsheet with the committee of over 50 items that were requested using the CRF Grant. Many of the items are being installed, including touchless water features, fire door magnets, air purification systems, and generators. Eighteen computer tablets and card readers have been purchased and received to be used with the new Tyler Drive System. While starting to install a new window for the Morse Memorial secretary, an unusual substance was found. Professionals were called in, and they tested the substance to see if it was asbestos. Pete Quimby shared with the board that the test came back negative for asbestos.

I. Student Board Member Report – Joseph Grassi and Emma McPherson -JG reported that the 2nd quarter is ending on January 22, 2021. Everyone is glad to be back in school after the break, even though the break was much needed. There have been mixed feelings in regards to not moving to the 4-day model. Winter sports are going well, and basketball games are starting this week.

J. Board Chair Report – RF reported that the board is going ahead with the Superintendent's evaluation, and they should be going out next week. If a board member is interested in adding something to the board agenda, please contact Richard or Ellie the Monday before the meeting when the agenda preparations are taking place. This will ensure the agenda is the most accurate when it goes out to the community.

K. Old Business - None

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L. New Business

1. What action will the School Board take to approve the “First Reading” of the following policy as recommended by the RSU 3 Board Policy Committee?

a. Policy BE Board Meetings

Motion: **HP** Second: **TC** Vote: **Unanimous**

2. What action will the School Board take to approve the Superintendent’s nomination of Leslie Denton, as a Middle School Remote Instructor, for the 2020-2021 school year?

Motion: **HP** Second: **TC** Vote: **Yes - 10**

3. What action will the School Board take to approve the Superintendent’s nomination of Alanna Hernandez, as a Middle School Remote Instructor, for the 2020-2021 school year?

Motion: **MS** Second: **HP** Vote: **Yes - 10**

M. Adjournment

Time: 7:43 PM

Motion: **TC** Second: **HP** Vote: **Unanimous**

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