

Hermon School Committee
Minutes– Special Meeting
Monday, April 26, 2021– 6:30 p.m.
Hermon High School Room 167
Providing Leadership to Enhance the Aspirations of our Children

*** Due to Governor Mills' declaration of emergency, this meeting will be closed to public attendance. The public may join the meeting virtually by using the following link:*

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Attending

Ted Harris, Chair
Debora Farnham, Vice Chair
Deborah Langille
Kristen Shorey

Absent

Scott Hatch
Debbie CoWallis, RSU 87 Representative
Madison Despault, Student Representative
Mackenzie Stepp, Student Representative

Staff: Cindy Badger, Adam Baker, Brandi Butterfield, Jim Chasse, Hazel Chick, Kathryn Goodman, Jesse Hargrove, Laura Landry, David Nason, Melissa Overlock, Jenny Perry, Jamie Rennebu, Krystal Tracy, Brian Walsh, Jody White and Erin York

Guests:

Item I: Call to Order

Mrs. Farnham, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Item II: Personnel

A. Resignations

a. Brandi Butterfield, Assistant Director of Special Services

Item III: Old Business

A. 2nd Draft of the 2021-22 School Budget

Superintendent Chasse gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the 2nd draft of 2021-22 budget.

Discussion ensued. Mrs. Farnham suggested a reserve account for technology.

Mr. Harris motioned, seconded by Ms. Langille, to approve the 2021-22 school budget, as presented.

Unanimous (4): Mrs. Farnham, Mr. Harris, Ms. Langille, and Mrs. Shorey

B. COVID and Reopening Update (Mr. Chasse)

Superintendent Chasse explained that the principals had met with their leadership teams, then the reopening committee met regarding increases in in-person time. Parent surveys will be put out to K-8 parents to get their input on how the new plan is going, and what they'd like to see both short & long term. He is hoping to have the results for the next meeting. The goal is to somehow be in school 5 days per week in the fall.

Item IV: New Business

A. New School Bus Approval

Mr. Harris motioned, seconded by Mrs. Shorey, to approve replacing old bus #9 per DOE bus approval. The new bus will become bus 1 and old bus 1 will be activity bus 10.

Unanimous (4): Mrs. Farnham, Mr. Harris, Ms. Langille, and Mrs. Shorey

B. First Reading of Job Description

- a. Mr. Harris motioned, seconded by Mrs. Farnham, to approve the First Reading of the Assistant Director of Special Services Job Description
Unanimous (4): Mrs. Farnham, Mr. Harris, Ms. Langille, and Mrs. Shorey

Item V: Executive Session

Mr. Harris motioned, seconded by Ms. Langille, to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) Discussion of Labor Contract Negotiations with the Hermon Education Association at 7:44 p.m.

Return from Executive Session at 8:01 p.m.

Mr. Harris motioned, seconded by Ms. Langille, to ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the Hermon School Committee and the Hermon Education Association for September 1, 2021 To August 31, 2024”

Unanimous (4): Mrs. Farnham, Mr. Harris, Ms. Langille, and Mrs. Shorey

Item VI: Adjournment: Move to adjourn the meeting

Mrs. Shorey motioned, seconded by Mr. Harris to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Unanimous (4): Mrs. Farnham, Mr. Harris, Ms. Langille, and Mrs. Shorey

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Chasse
Superintendent of Schools