Lyme School District School Board Special Meeting Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Approved w/ changes 4/27/21

Board Members Present: Phil Barta, Vincent Berk, Jen Boylston, Yolanda Bujarski, Sarah Glass, Elizabeth Glenshaw, Hayes Greenway. Administrators: District Administrator Jeff Valence, Coordinator of Business Services Janet Mitchell; 2+ public on line. Recorded by Roger Lohr

1. Call to Order

Chair Yola Bujarski called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and announced that the Board's special meeting was intended to develop and review the drafted presentation for the school district business meeting. The special meeting was also on line but there would not be public comment. The next Board meeting on April 27 would include time for public comment.

2. First Readings

The Board had first readings for two policies including GBRIA – School Year Support Staff Benefit/Leave Policy and GBRIB – Year Round Support Employee Benefit/Leave Policy. There was a mistake and some other edits that were reviewed by Coordinator of Business Janet Mitchell. These policies will be changed so they'd be in effect for contract renewals and they will be considered for approval at the April 27 Lyme School Board meeting.

3. Staff Nominations

The Board received the staff nominations slate. The slate is intended to inform the Board that the nominees have completed the evaluation process.

4. Presentation for the Annual School District Business Meeting

A document was distributed to the Board that outlined the presentation for the school district business meeting and DA Valence prepared slides to review. The presentation will include an overview of last year and background on school district operations, and the proposed 2021-22 district budget. There will be an overview of costs and grants associated with COVID. The anticipated ESSER III funds (expected to be spent in FY22) is an estimated \$159,000 and it would be for addressing the learning loss and compensatory services and the social/emotional impacts that are associated with COVID.

It is expected that families who want to continue remote learning in the school year 2021-22 would use the VLACs program as there would not be Lyme School remote learning offered. The proposed budget would convey controllable and noncontrollable expenditures for the proposed budget, which has a 3.8% increase. The Board discussed the length of the presentation and how much detail was necessary for the business meeting attendees. Many slides would be available to provide information related to specific questions that might be asked at the meeting.

Board member Jen Boylston presented slides regarding the NH statewide education funding mechanisms and taxes as they pertain to Lyme. The Board briefly discussed the value of education and how to convey this value to Lyme taxpayers. The Lyme School data points will be identified to help understand the quality of education.

The Board will review the next draft of the annual school district business meeting presentation at the next board meeting.

5. Non Public Session

A motion was made and seconded (Greenway, Glenshaw) to enter nonpublic session in accordance with NH RSA 91-A:3 II (c and l) to address confidential matters. The motion was unanimously approved with Phil Barta, Vince Berk, Jennifer Boylston, Yolanda Bujarski, Sarah Glass, Elizabeth Glenshaw, Hayes Greenway in favor.

The roll call was conducted and the Board entered nonpublic session at 9:44 PM. The public session reconvened at 11:55 PM.

6. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded (Greenway, Barta) to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 PM. The motion was unanimously approved with Phil Barta, Vince Berk, Jennifer Boylston, Yolanda Bujarski, Sarah Glass, Elizabeth Glenshaw, Hayes Greenway, in favor.

The next Lyme School Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM.