

WINCHESTER SCHOOL BOARD
FEBRUARY 16, 2023
WINCHESTER SCHOOL LIBRARY

Board Members Present: L. Hildreth, L. Picard, J. Hadler, J. Blake; Absent: J. Rokes
Administration Present: L. Carey, M. Pouliot, T. Taylor

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm. by School Board Chair, L. Hildreth.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

None.

L. Picard MOVED to approve the Public and Non-Public Minutes of 2/2/23 and the Public Minutes of 2/4/23; SECONDED by: J. Blake, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – M. Pouliot:

*There has been so much sickness going around the building in the past couple of weeks. Four to five teachers have been out each day. M. Pouliot wanted to acknowledge the substitutes, Jen McDaniels, Jenny Rhodes, Ryan Dooley, Sara Dingman, and Beth LaPoint, who have stepped up when and where they were needed. She also acknowledged the teachers for stepping up to help, too.

*M. Pouliot advised she sent an all-staff e-mail today to remind staff to disinfect everything before leaving tomorrow for vacation.

After discussion, **L. Picard MOVED that the Board do an appreciation luncheon at the Teacher Workshop on 3/14/23; SECONDED by: L. Hildreth, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.**

The Board will discuss details further.

BUSINESS MANAGER – T. Taylor:

L. Hildreth MOVED to approve the Accounts Payable Manifest dated 2/8/23, in the amount of \$197,114.35; SECONDED by: L. Picard, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

L. Hildreth MOVED to approve the Accounts Payable Manifest dated 2/8/23, in the amount of \$4,627.48; SECONDED by: L. Picard, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

L. Hildreth MOVED to approve the Payroll Manifest dated 2/17/23, in the amount of \$220,315.69; SECONDED by: L. Picard, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

T. Taylor spoke with the auditors; they had just a few questions for the 6/22 audit. She got the answers to them today. Hopes in a couple of weeks to have the draft of the audit.

L. Picard asked if everything from the Deliberative session is all signed and ready to be filed.

T. Taylor – Yes.

L. Picard advised it would be helpful if Board members can be at the polls on March 14th to help on voting day. J. Hadler, L. Hildreth and L. Picard will be there, along with three Selectboard members; which includes L. Picard.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – L. Carey:

*L. Carey received a request from Christy Frazier to hold Sr. Night on June 1st which would be a scheduled Board meeting night.

After discussion, the Board agreed to meet on the 8th and the 22nd of June.

L. Picard advised Tina Perkins was very active with Sr. Night. She will loop her in with Christy Frazier.

*The Board received a copy of the Strategic Plan and L. Carey reviewed the highlights. Advised it is a living document. The Board will review the Strategic Plan and bring it back. L. Carey is looking for approval.

L. Hildreth asked about feedback from staff.

M. Pouliot advised most comments were around the first goal and Orton Gillingham. L. Carey made revisions and the committee added more in Orton Gillingham instruction.

L. Carey plans to bring the Strategic Plan back to the Board on an annual basis. The Board will be informed of the progress. Wants to let the Board know what is working, not working, etc. There will be annual meetings to update the living document. She would be happy to have a meeting, including the Board, to work on updates. Advised there are different grant sources to fund from.

L. Hildreth and L. Picard held a Policy Committee Meeting. There will be a second reading on four policies with just minor changes. M. Braley will send copies to the Board and at the next meeting the Policy Committee will look for them to be adopted. There are also new policies to look at; will bring them from the Policy Committee to the Board for a second reading, at a future meeting.

L. Picard advised the NH Democrats will hold a *Meet the Candidates Night*. More information will be coming.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

None.

L. Hildreth MOVED to go into non-public session under 91-A:3II(c) at 6:56 pm; SECONDED by: J. Blake, VOTED: J. Blake – yes, L. Hildreth – yes, L. Picard – yes, J. Hadler – yes, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

L. Hildreth MOVED to leave non-public session at 7:45pm; SECONDED by: L. Picard, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

L. Hildreth MOVED to seal the non-public minutes; SECONDED by: L. Picard, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

L. Hildreth MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm; SECONDED by: L. Picard, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Higgins
School Board Secretary