

PENOBSCOT INDIAN SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

August 23, 2021
Community via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Carole Binette, Chairperson
- Naomi Neptune, Vice-Chairperson
- David Sapiel, Sr.
- Jo-Ann Lolar
- Elisha Sockbeson

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Annemarie Swanson, Principal
- Dr. Reza Namin, Superintendent

1. Chairperson Binette called the meeting to order at 5:03 P.M.
2. Motion by Ms. Lolar , and seconded by Mr. Sapiel, Sr. to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2021 meeting. Voted: Unanimous.
3. Motion by Ms. Lolar, and seconded by Vice-Chairperson Neptune to approve the Principal Swanson's School Opening Plan as presented. Voted: Unanimous. (EXHIBIT A)
4. Motion by Mr. Sapiel, Sr., and seconded by Ms. Lolar to approve the hiring of a Full-Time Nurse. Voted: Unanimous.
5. Reports:
 - Report of Principal's: (EXHIBIT B).
 - Report of Superintendent:

Superintendent. Dr. Reza Namin informed the board that the Summer Professional Development was very successful and thanks MIE Curriculum Coordinator Ms. Clifford and Principal Swanson for their leadership. MIE will have three major focuses for the 2021-2022 Academic Year as Wabanaki Studies, Blended Learning, and RTI/PBIS. Dr. Tonemah will be giving a presentation at the September Board Meeting regarding the MIE initiative to address our students and family's emotional needs and the impact of Pandemic.
6. Community Comments:

Dr. Namin expressed his appreciation and impressive work by Chairperson Binette in significant collections of donations including over 79 student backpacks and supplies. Saturday August 28 and Monday August 30 scheduled to distribute the donations to the parents.

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7. A motion was made by Ms. Lolar, and seconded by Mr. Sapiel, Sr. to adjourn.
Voted: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Reza Namin, Superintendent of Schools
Maine Indian Education
Penobscot Indian School Department