

SIPAYIK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2022 @ 1:00 P.M.

Workshop Meeting with Passamaquoddy Tribal Council at 1:00 P.M.
to Discuss Passamaquoddy Child Development Center HeadStart and Day Care
Past, Present, and Future
Community Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alberta Newell, Chairperson,
Theresa Sapiel, Vice-Chairperson,
Holly Cleaves, Stormi McLaughlin.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Reza Namin, Superintendent,
Tammy Ginn, MIE Business Manager
Chief Maggie Dana
Vice Chief Ernie Neptune
Tribal Council Ryan Currier
Tribal Council Dylan Francis
Jasmine Bassett, Passamaquoddy Child Development
Center Program Director

1. Chairperson Newell calls the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.
2. Chairperson Newell explained the purpose of the Joint Meeting to provide all the historical information regarding the original resolution adopted in 1995 and the MIE seeking to improve the program delivery at the Passamaquoddy Child Development Center and the opportunity to offer additional PK grade levels at the Sipayik Elementary School.

Dr. Namin shared the historical resolution (attached).

Ms. Tammy Ginn shared the financial information and the six-year trends.
(Attached)

There were concerns regarding the timing and transition and the Joint Board was informed that MIE in partnership with the Passamaquoddy Pleasant point Tribal Government will work closely to provide support and transition. The adoption of the PK program after the vote of the Sipayik Elementary School Committee will take place on June 24, 2022, and effective September 2022. The Maine

Department of Education has already provided tentative approval for 13 more PK students effective September 1, 2022.

The Passamaquoddy Child Development Center Head Start is in the third year of a five-year approved grant, an application extension to June 30, 2022, has been submitted to the Office of the Federal Head Start to provide an opportunity to revise the budget narrative and reflect changes such as the addition of the Fiscal Director position.

The goal is to transfer the Head Start and Day programming to the Tribal Government who is the original grantor. The total cost of transition may be offset by some of the grants and revenue in the implementation the of Day Care Program.

3. Adjournment at 2:05 P.M.