SIPAYIK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 @ 6:00 P.M.

Community Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alberta Newell, Chairperson,

Theresa Sapiel, Vice-Chairperson, Holly Cleaves, Rachael Nicholas,

Stormi McLaughlin

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Reza Namin, Superintendent,

Dan Morang, Principal,

1. Chairperson Newell calls the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M.

2. Moment of Silence

- 3. Motion by Vice Chairperson Sapiel, and seconded by Ms. Nicholas, to approve the revised minutes of the November 8, 2022 meeting. Voted: Unanimous
- 4. Consideration of the Superintendent's Support Staff and Extracurricular Contract Recommendations:
 - Motion by Vice Chairperson Sapiel, and seconded by Ms. McLaughlin, to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Amy Francis as an RTI Coordinator with an Extracurricular Contract for the 2022-2023 School Calendar, Voted: Unanimous
 - b. Motion by Ms. Cleaves, and seconded by Vice Chairperson Sapiel to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Alexis Moore as an Education Technician I with a Written Reasonable Assurance for the 2022-2023 School Year, Voted: Unanimous
 - c. Motion by Ms. Cleaves, and seconded by Vice Chairperson Sapiel to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Mary Dana as an Education Technician I with a Written Reasonable Assurance for the 2022-2023 School Year. Voted: Unanimous
 - d. Motion by Ms. Cleaves, and seconded by Vice Chairperson Sapiel to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Judith Sudey as an Education Technician I with a Written Reasonable Assurance for the 2022-2023 School Year. Voted: Unanimous

- e. Motion by Ms. Cleaves, and seconded by Vice Chairperson Sapiel to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Bobbie Ritchie as an Education Technician II with a Written Reasonable Assurance for the 2022-2023 School Year. Voted: Unanimous
- 5. Motion by Vice Chairperson Sapiel, and seconded by Ms. Cleaves, to approve the Revised Sipayik Elementary School Athletic, Activities, and Sportsmanship Policy. Voted: Unanimous
- 6. Discussion and Review of Sipayik Elementary School Revised Draft of Fragrance-Free Policy. Following the discussion with the staff and the school committee, the revised draft will be emailed for further comments and changes to be brought back in the January School Committee Meeting for further discussion and consideration.

7. REPORTS:

Principal: Please See Attached.

Superintendent. Dr. Namin informed the school committee that the revised electric bus bid has been posted with a deadline of January 9, 2023. Sipayik Elementary School has been granted a Maine Department of Education Mobile Technology Lab Grant.

High School Community/ School Liaison: There are some concerns regarding the impact of COVID and RSV with the number of students being out of school due to the illness. There is a request by a student to be transferred from Shead High School to Calais High School. The request has been discussed and shared with the principal for consideration.

8. Community Comment.

The Community Comment started at 7:04 P.M. Vice Chairperson Sapiel wanted to recognize Ms. Carole Binette, Chairperson of the Penobscot Indian Island School for her impressive hard work and dedication to lifelong learning and acceptance into the Master's Program at the University of Oklahoma Law School and more than nine of the Sipayik Elementary School Staff who are continuing their education to better serving our students. We are very fortunate to have a such dedicated and outstanding group of professionals at our school. She also thanked Ms. Natalie Bassett for her Letters to Santa Initiative.

Ms. Cleaves also added her appreciation of the staff and being fortunate to have a such dedicated and outstanding group of professionals at our school. She would like to see a celebration of staff tenure for such as 10, 20, and 30 years of working at school.

The Community Comment ended at 7:12 p.m.

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Sapiel, and seconded by Ms. Cleaves to enter executive session at 7:12 p.m. pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) for a personnel matter where public discussion could damage the reputation or violate the right to privacy. Voted: Unanimous Resumed the School Committee Meeting at 7:33 p.m.

9. Motion by Vice Chairperson Sapiel, and seconded by Ms. Cleaves to adjourn. Voted Unanimously. Time Out: 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Reza Namin

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