

**WINCHESTER SCHOOL BOARD  
WINCHESTER SCHOOL LIBRARY  
DECEMBER 4, 2014**

Board Members Present: E. Jackson, K. Bazan, J. Cardinale, R. Horton, T. Croteau arrived at 6:30 pm.

Administration Present: J. Lewis, L. Spencer, L. Schmidt

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm. by Chair, R. Horton.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS:**

Nancy Dziedzic in Food Service advised they have been told they can't use the elevator in the fifth grade wing. She asked if they can use it in the Winter for the food cart. She is concerned it is going to get slippery going back and forth from the kitchen.

R. Horton advised overloading the elevator is a big concern along with wear and tear. We have to have it for the students.

Nancy Dziedzic advised it wouldn't be every day; a couple times a week. It will get tough to transport things in the Winter.

J. Lewis advised it is supposed to be for the kids; no secret to that.

J. Cardinale advised to use it sparingly, he doesn't see an issue; but every day is another thing. He can understand if it's rainy or snowy.

R. Horton – As long as it is not overloaded or being used for everything.

Nancy Dziedzic advised she was also asking for Jessica and Jason.

The Board agreed to leave it up to J. Lewis.

Nancy Dziedzic – That's a yes?

J. Lewis – Yes.

**MINUTES:**

**J. Cardinale MOVED to approve the public minutes of 11/13/14 as amended, near the bottom of Page 4, adding a comma after If the faucet is pulled out for whatever reason, it needs to be back in,... SECONDED by: K. Bazan, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.**

**J. Cardinale MOVED to approve the 11/17/14 minutes as printed, SECONDED by: K. Bazan, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.**

The Board will continue review of the 11/20/14 minutes at the Board meeting recess.

J. Lewis advised there has been no answer on the pipe yet.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**MANIFEST:**

The Board reviewed the Manifest.

**E. Jackson MOVED to approve the first Payroll Manifest in the amount of \$213,942.67; SECONDED by: J. Cardinale, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.**

**E. Jackson MOVED to approve the second Payroll Manifest in the amount of \$4,770.77; SECONDED by: J. Cardinale, VOTED: 4-0, MOTION PASSED.**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

\*The Board has been invited to attend the NHSBA Delegates Assembly on January 10<sup>th</sup> in Concord – Hot Topics; need to register for it. J. Lewis is planning to attend. R. Horton and E. Jackson plan to attend. If anyone else is interested they should let J. Lewis know.

\*J. Lewis advised the Blackbaud system made calls on Wednesday due to snow. It seemed to work well. J. Lewis advised if the Board gets a phone call, but they don't see a postponement/cancellation on WMUR, he does continue to call the station; the lines get busy.

\*J. Lewis advised Thanksgiving morning the neighbor called angry. Felt the school deliberately pushed the snow on to his property. He feels the snow should be moved to the third telephone pole or trucked away.

R. Horton – Were we on his property?

J. Lewis advised we might be, a little.

R. Horton advised if there are any further issues, the neighbor should contact the Town.

D. Chamberlain doesn't see that it's on his property. Advised it was way away from the fence.

R. Horton advised the plow guy does the best he can. If there is nowhere else to put the snow, it is on our property, need to put the snow there. Feels we have definitely done what we needed to do by putting the pipe in.

J. Lewis advised did threaten legal action.

The direction of the Board was that we will touch base with the Town and if there is still an issue, J. Lewis should advise the neighbor to contact our Attorney.

\*J. Lewis heard from Danielle Milde. He distributed a handout from her outlining what her position does.

R. Horton advised it needs to be accompanied by the job description and put on the agenda for discussion. The Board will take it into advisement.

**T. Croteau arrived at 6:30 pm.**

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – L. Spencer:**

The Board received L. Spencer's report.

J. Cardinale advised he is scheduled to attend the next Selectboard meeting, but can't be there.

R. Horton will check to see if he is free or K. Bazan will go.

R. Horton discussed the e-mail from J. Lewis regarding Girls Basketball.

J. Lewis advised the issue is should the Girls' team shirts say Tigers or Lady Tigers (like they do now). The vast majority of people he has talked to don't care. J. Lewis feels it should go to the coach level; they could do a survey.

R. Horton feels there is a lot of reference to gender labels; feels it has the same effect as racial slurs. Other teams are all uniform; our boys are in black and the girls in white. Feels it should be the same. Advised if we are trying to be part of a league, will be at a different level; need to show professionalism.

T. Croteau thinks the decision should be made at the coach level. If they think we don't have the money for new uniforms, we do.

J. Cardinale wanted to make sure if we change the uniforms, we don't have to change them next year when we go into the league.

R. Horton advised kids find them offensive, feel like they're in the 1950's. They don't look like they are one team.

J. Lewis will get to the Athletic Director and see what is required for league play and do a survey.

R. Horton would like some research done. He doesn't think it is up to the sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls to decide.

Feels it is almost embarrassing.

**J. Cardinale MOVED to go into non-public session under RSA-91A:3II (c) at 6:40 pm.; SECONDED by: K. Bazan, E. Jackson – yes, T. Croteau – yes, R. Horton – yes, J. Cardinale – yes, K. Bazan – yes, VOTED: 5-0, MOTION PASSED.**

**E. Jackson MOVED to go leave non-public session at 6:48 pm.; SECONDED by: K. Bazan, E. Jackson – yes, T. Croteau – yes, R. Horton – yes, J. Cardinale – yes, K. Bazan – yes, VOTED: 5-0, MOTION PASSED.**

While in non-public session the Board accepted Ruby Perrin's retirement at the end of the school year.

**J. Cardinale MOVED to recess the meeting at 6:50 pm. until after the Budget Committee meeting; SECONDED by: E. Jackson, VOTED: 5-0, MOTION PASSED.**

The meeting reconvened at 9:10 pm.

The Board discussed the Non-Resident policy as a first reading.

The Board discussed the Concussion Policy as a second reading.

**T. Croteau MOVED to accept the Concussion Policy as a Second Reading; SECONDED by: J. Cardinale, VOTED: 5-0, MOTION PASSED.**

**J. Cardinale MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm.; SECONDED by: E. Jackson, VOTED: 5-0, MOTION PASSED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Higgins  
School Board Secretary

