

Mason School District  
Regular Scheduled Meeting  
November 18, 2013

A regular scheduled meeting of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday November 18, 2013 in the Mason Elementary School Multi - Purpose Room, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

**Recognition of Public**

Refer to sign in sheet 11-18-13

Chairperson Stephanie Syre-Hager called the meeting to order at 1900h.

**Roll Call:**

School Board Members: Chairperson Stephanie Syre-Hager, Vice Chairperson Jeannine Phalon, Bob Hemmer, Chris Guiry, and Robert Doyle  
Superintendent James McCormick  
Elected Officers: Secretary Becky Partridge  
Business Office: Accounts Payable Brenda Wiley

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

**Approval of Minutes:**

*Motion by **Bob Hemmer** to accept minutes dated October 21, 2013 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by **Jeannine Phalon***

*aye: Phalon, Syre-Hager, Guiry, Hemmer*

*nay: none*

*Abstain: Doyle*

**Motion Carried: 4-0**

**Announcements of Next Scheduled Meeting:**

- Monday December 16, 2013: 1900h MES Multi -Purpose Room – Regular scheduled meeting

**Public Communications:**

None

**Business Report:**

- Brenda Wiley submitted current manifest and payroll. It is noted that board members signed manifest and payroll
- Audit was received this afternoon, will be reviewed and presented at next meeting
- Tax rate set, school portion down

**Milford Student's Report:**

None

**Superintendent's Report:**

- Due to ObamaCare the health care debit card allowance for Para professionals has decreased from \$2,000.00 to \$500.00 annually.
- Letter from Linda Lannin stating that the Tailgate Trick or Treating was a success
- Food Service claim for October was provided
- Monthly enrollment report provided

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- Building aid received \$43,212.07. \$1137.07 higher than expected
- Updated Superintendent / Board goals; Brief discussion in regards to the original intent of the Superintendent, Principal meetings. After discussion it was decided that Mr. McCormick will still attend meeting so that parents have the ability to ask question that the Superintendent can answer
- Teacher web pages began November 1
- NH Lottery Commission Calendar – photo of school (April 2014)

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

- Becky Partridge submitted for approval the SB2 Notification Calendar

*Motion by Jeannine Phalon to accept the SB2 notification calendar as provided by Becky Partridge, seconded by Chris Guiry*

*aye: Phalon, Syre-Hager, Guiry, Hemmer, Doyle*

*nay: none*

**Motion Carried: 5-0**

- Presentation of Draft Budget – brief discussion, Superintendent asks for direction on a few line items- to be discussed in non - public

**Committee Reports:**

None

**Policies:**

None

**School Board Requests:**

None

*Motion by Chris Guiry to enter into executive session at 1945h per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee, seconded by Jeannine Phalon*

*aye: Phalon, Syre-Hager, Guiry, Hemmer, Doyle*

*nay: none*

**Motion Carried: 5-0**

**Roll Call:** Chairperson Stephanie Syre-Hager, Vice Chairperson Jeannine Phalon, Chris Guiry, Bob Hemmer, Robert Doyle, Secretary Becky Partridge, and Superintendent Jim McCormick

**Discussion:**

- Budget line item for additional custodian
- Budget line item for full day Kindergarten
- Contract terms

*Motion by Jeannine Phalon to enter back into public session at 2030h, seconded by Rob Doyle*

*aye: Phalon, Syre-Hager, Hemmer, Guiry, Doyle*

*nay: none*

**Motion Carried: 5-0**

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After a discussion about the hiring of an evening custodian on an as needed basis the board agreed that it was necessary to ensure that the building can be used for community events. Mr. McCormick stated that the budget will reflect an as needed custodian.

The board discussed and gave their opinions on whether to offer full day Kindergarten. The board did not come to an agreement on whether to offer full day or continue with half day Kindergarten. With board members 3-2 not in favor of offering full day kindergarten, Mr. McCormick stated that the budget will reflect half day Kindergarten. The board however said that they would be interested in hearing from parents and said that they could reconsider.

Contract terms discussed.

**Chris Guiry** moved to adjourn the meeting at 2035h, seconded by **Rob Doyle**  
The meeting adjourned unanimously at 2035h.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

Becky Partridge

  
School Board Secretary

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