

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING,  
MASON NH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OCTOBER 24, 2011**

A Public Hearing of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday October 24, 2011 at approximately 1900h in the Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose room, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

**Recognition of Public**

Bob Bergeron, Emily Daniels, Christine Greenwood, Sue Rysnik, and Rick Griffith

**Roll Call:**

Superintendent Jim McCormick, School Board Members: Chairperson Bob Hemmer, Robert Doyle, Stephanie Syre-Hager, John Diefenbach, Secretary Becky Partridge, Treasurer Sue Wagoner, Business Manager Brenda Wiley, and Mike O'Neill of MRI were present. Absent: Vice Chair person Dr. Donald Hodges and Moderator Catherine Schwenk

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent Mr. McCormick presented information on the REAP Grant. Mr. McCormick recommended to the board to accept the \$12, 059 REAP Grant and disperse it in the following ways:

- a. Improve Teacher quality
- b. Title I materials
- c. Title II (Career Ladder)
- d. Title III D (Technology)
- e. Title IVA (Responsive Classroom training)
- f. Title V (supplemental material – Singapore Math)

*Motion by Robert Doyle to authorize the Superintendent to utilize the REAP Grant as stated above, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Diefenbach  
nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to adjourn the public hearing at 1910h and enter into the regular scheduled school board meeting, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Diefenbach  
nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

A Regular Meeting of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday October 24, 2011 at approximately 1910h in the Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose room, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

**Roll Call:**

Superintendent Jim McCormick, School Board Members: Chairperson Bob Hemmer, Robert Doyle, Stephanie Syre-Hager, John Diefenbach, Secretary Becky Partridge, Treasurer Sue Wagoner, Business Manager Brenda Wiley, and Mike O'Neill of MRI were present. Dr. Donald Hodges joined the meeting at 1940 h.

Absent: Moderator Catherine Schwenk

**Recognition of Public**

Bob Bergeron, Emily Daniels, Christine Greenwood, Sue Rysnik, and Rick Griffith

**Approval of Minutes:**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to approve minutes dated 9/12/2011 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by John Diefenbach*

aye: Syre-Hager, Doyle, Diefenbach  
nay: none  
Abstain: Hemmer (did not attend 9/12/11 meeting)

**Motion carried 3-0**

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*Motion by Robert Doyle to approve minutes dated 9/26/2011 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by John Diefenbach*

aye: Syre-Hager, Doyle, Diefenbach, Hemmer  
nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

**Announcements of Next Scheduled Meetings**

Monday November 14, 2011: Regular School Board Meeting at 1900h, MES Multi-Purpose Room

**Public Communications:**

No public comments

**Business Manager:**

Brenda Wiley submitted current manifest and payroll. It is noted that present board members signed current manifest and payroll sheet. Mr. O'Neill presented the board with a letter from Plodzik & Sanderson dated September 23, 2011 in regards to the financial audit they performed. Mr. O'Neill also submitted his response letter dated October 20, 2011.

**Superintendent's Report- Mr. McCormick:**

Cafeteria revenue for September – looking fine  
Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth Recognition Certificate – Mason Student qualified to take test  
Scholastic Book Fair – Thank you to Danielle Carrier and volunteers – MES grossed \$1449.37  
NH Schools Critical Shortage List is growing  
Letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting MES participation in future audit and DRA meetings  
IPASS Cancellation System is now operations  
Bus Safety Week was October 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Three after school programs underway  
Thank you to Rick Griffith and MVFD for activities during Fire Prevention Week  
Staff input for Term 2 will be implemented

**Presentations:**

Emily Daniels and Christine Greenwood presented information on Responsive Classroom  
Rick Griffith presented changes that have occurred and will occur inside and outside of building

Dr. Donald Hodges joined the meeting

**New Business:**

none

**Unfinished Business:**

none

**Committee Reports:**

Building Committee: Mr. Hemmer informed the board that Mason still owes the contractor money however it is being held until items on the punch list are complete. Although Mason is not completely satisfied with the work Jordon Institute performed Mason will pay the final bill as they provided the services stated within the contract. There was a long discussion regarding Mason's displeasure of the architect design and the failure of the courtyard roof.

Superintendent requests Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3 II. (a) dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee and (e) negotiation of pending claims and litigation

*Motion by Dr. Donald Hodges to enter into Non-Public Session at 2030h under RSA 91-A: 3 II. (a) dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee and (e) negotiation of pending claims and litigation, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager.*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Hodges, Diefenbach  
nay: none

**Motion carried 5-0**

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Superintendent Jim McCormick, School Board Members: Chairperson Bob Hemmer, Robert Doyle, Stephanie Syre-Hager, Dr. Donald Hodges, John Diefenbach, and Secretary Becky Partridge were present.

**Discussion:**

- (a) dismissal, promotion or compensation of employee
- (e) pending claims or litigation

*Motion by Robert Doyle to enter back into Public Session at 2040h, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager,*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Hodges, Diefenbach

nay: none

**Motion carried 5-0**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to approve executive session minutes dated 9/26/11 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Hodges, Diefenbach

nay: none

**Motion carried 5-0**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to accept Mr. McCormick's recommendation to allow the stipend of \$500.00 as part of Deb Cullen's career ladder, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Hodges, Diefenbach

nay: none

**Motion carried 5-0**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to add Stephanie Hurley to the MES substitute teacher list, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager*

aye: Hemmer, Syre-Hager, Doyle, Hodges, Diefenbach

nay: none

**Motion carried 5-0**

Bob Hemmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 2043 h, seconded by Robert Doyle.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Partridge  
School Board Secretary