# Mason School District Regular Scheduled Meeting December 20, 2021

School Board Chairman Dr. Chris Guiry called the meeting to order at 1830h.

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

#### **Roll Call:**

Chairperson Dr. Chris Guiry

Board Members: Tim Leak, Jason Jannuzzo, and Nancy Richards

Absent: Vice Chairperson Bradley Gilbert Superintendent / Principal: Kristen Kivela

Accounts Payable: Brenda Wiley

Secretary Becky Partridge

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by **Nancy Richards** to approve the minutes of November 15, 2021 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by **Jason lannuzzo** 

Aye: Guiry, Iannuzzo, Leak, Richards

Nay: None Motion Carried 4-0

## **Next Meeting:**

January 10, 2022 Regular Scheduled Meeting and Budget Hearing at 1830h at Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room

## **Business Manager's Report:**

Current manifest and payroll approved and signed by board members.

Audit: All OK. One suggestion - audit company would like districts to obtain long term projections for retirement and health funds. As in previous years board unanimously agreed that the cost to hire consulting firm to do a long term projection of such funds is not justifiable

Milford Student Representative: None

#### **Public Communications:**

Chairman Dr. Chris Guiry recognized Colin Robinson:

- Expressed concern regarding doing business and votes in secret.
- Would like board to promote more public participation.
- Concerned with the board's decision to give authorization to the administration to make decisions without a board vote.
- Would like the board to create a pro-vaccine policy.

Chairman Dr. Chris Guiry rejected the assumption of doing business in secret as unfounded. Board members discussed that in the absence of controversial topics public attendance at meetings are low (often zero). The board appreciates the dialog and public participation.

#### **Correspondence:**

- US World News Report Rating: Top 30 in NH, A- in testing, A+ teaching, C+ diversity
- Niche Rating: 2 out 0f 264 teachers, 23 out of 266 best elementary
- Well Inspection: All OK

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**Curriculum Updates: None** 

Unfinished Business: None

#### **New Business:**

- 2022 / 2023 Draft Budget Highlights budget hearing Jan. 10. Regular Education down, medical insurance increase, General Education Para increase, SPED Tuition decrease, School Board expenses increase due to legal costs, food / milk increase, student support service (pre-K) decrease only because half salary reflected in SPED
- Warrant Articles SPED (\$20,000.00), Health insurance fund (\$30,000.00), Building Maintenance (\$10,000.00), Unexpected Tuition (\$25,000.00)
- Board Positions Two School Board Members (3 years) Treasurer (3 years)

#### **Superintendent / Principal's Report:**

- Important Dates:  $23^{rd} 2^{nd}$  Vacation,  $10^{th}$  Budget Hearing and Meeting
- September 2021 Food Service Claim Breakfast \$1276.11, Lunch \$3341.75
- October 2021 Food Service Claim Breakfast \$1552.83, Lunch \$3661.24
- November 2021 Food Service Claim Breakfast \$1500.489, Lunch \$3256.76
- Covid Updates Before Thanksgiving 12 Students, 2 staff (Household Transmission no school clusters), Current – 1 staff
- Camera / Paging System Update: Motion via email due to time sensitive action to
  proceed with paging system upgrade along with security camera upgrade. Yay Guiry,
  Gilbert, Iannuzzo, Leak, Richards. Nay None, Motion carried. (copies of email vote
  available). Paging system up and running, cameras should be complete Wednesday.
  Final Report next meeting
- Dr. Chris Guiry suggests motion to reiterate the boards position on giving the Superintendent authorization on day to day scheduling and PPE actions based on most recent information

Motion by **Tim Leak** to affirm the Superintendent's authorization to make decisions on day to day scheduling, learning, and PPE actions based on the most recent information without boards approval, seconded **Nancy Richards** 

Aye: Guiry, Iannuzzo, Leak, Richards
Nay: None
Motion Carried 4-0

Committee Reports: None

## Non-public:

Motion by **Tim Leak** to enter into nonpublic at 1925h for RSA 91 – A:3 II. (a) dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee, seconded by **Jason lannuzzo** 

**Aye**: Guiry, Iannuzzo, Leak, Richards **Nay**: None

Motion Carried 4-0

## Roll Call

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Elected: Secretary Becky Partridge

**Discussion:** Personnel

Motion by Jason lannuzzo to leave non-public and enter public at 1945h, seconded by Tim Leak

**Aye**: Guiry, Iannuzzo, Leak, Richards **Nay**: None

**Motion Carried** 4-0

Motion by **Nancy Richards** to seal non - public minutes of December 20, 2021 due to contractual

negotiations and reputation of any persons not a school board member, seconded by Jason

lannuzzo

Aye: Guiry, Iannuzzo, Leak, Richards
Nay: None
Motion Carried 4-0

**Tim Leak** moved to adjourn the meeting at 1950h, seconded by **Jason lannuzzo**. The meeting adjourned unanimously at 1950h.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca T. Particleze

**Becky Partridge** 

**School Board Secretary**