

Mason School District
Regular School Board Meeting
March 12, 2012

A regular scheduled meeting of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday March 12, 2012 at approximately 1900h 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 dated 3/12/12

Roll Call:

Superintendent Jim McCormick, School Board Members: Chairperson Bob Hemmer, Robert Doyle, Stephanie Syre-Hager, John Diefenbach, Secretary Becky Partridge, Moderator Catherine Schwenk, District Treasurer Sue Wagoner, MES Principal Kathryn Wyman, and Business Manager Brenda Wiley were present. Vice Chairperson Dr. Donald Hodges joined at 1940h.

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Robert Doyle to approve minutes dated 2/04/2012 as submitted by Becky Partridge, Seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

aye: Syre-Hager, Doyle, Hemmer, Diefenbach

nay: none

Motion carried 4-0

Announcements of Next Scheduled Meetings

Monday March 26, 2012: 1900h MES Multi-Purpose Room – Organizational meeting

Public Communications:

Treasurer Sue Wagoner: Said good bye and thanked everyone

Angela Leak: Asked the board what is the best avenue to voice objections to the direction of the school. Chairperson Hemmer stated that she is doing it now and reinforced that participation in school board meetings is the best avenue. Or if it is a private matter to schedule a non – public session or meeting with the Superintendent or Principal.

Patricia Cross: Stated to the board that she still feels that the communication between school and the parents is lacking. Chairperson Hemmer stated he agreed and that they are working on that.

Business Manager:

Brenda Wiley submitted current manifest and payroll. It is noted that present board members signed current manifest and payroll sheet.

Superintendent's Report:

- Cafeteria revenues thorough January – holding steady
- Information of last years drop out rate for New Hampshire (refer to NH DOE)
- Summary of education issues at the State House
- January enrollment report - less one elementary student
- Paper retriever score card – still doing well
- Terracycle points card – Magazine recycle drive
- NHDOE Statewide Census by Disability (refer to NH DOE)

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Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 registration: March 15, 2012

- March School Calendar
- Three Mason students invited to NH Art Educator's Association Youth Art Month Exhibit
- Thank you to Mason Highway Department for fixing doors
- Mason held a community Reading Day
- Children's Literacy Foundation Sponsoring a Story Telling Presentation
- Classroom water fountains installed
- Significant amount of illness – night and weekend cleaning

Unfinished Business:

Superintendent's mid – year goals / School board goals (attachment 1)

- Web page – almost ready to be reviewed by school board before launch

New Business:

- Superintendent recommends accepting check for \$1, 224.00 from State of New Hampshire regarding FEMA reimbursement from October storm.
- Tuition for 2012 / 2013 Preschool will remain the same as 2011 / 2012.
- Presentation by Principal Wyman on NECAP results (attachment 2)
- Staff training on iPass report cards will take place for 3rd quarter to reported via iPass
- Superintendent requests input on School Calendar for 2012 / 2013.

Dr. Donald Hodges joined meeting

Motion by Robert Doyle to accept the 2012 / 2013 School Calendar as presented, Seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

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

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Robert Doyle to approve minutes dated 1/23/2012 as submitted by Becky Partridge, Seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

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

Abstain: Diefenbach, Hemmer (not present at meeting)

Motion carried 3-0

Policies:

- IGE – Parental Objection to Specific Course Material – First Reading
School Board unanimously agreed to waive the verbal reading of policy. There were no changes to the policy.

Committee Reports:

None

School Board Requests:

None

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*Motion by **Robert Doyle** to enter into Executive Session at 2025h per RSA 91-A:3 II (e) pending claims or litigation, Seconded by **Dr. Donald Hodges***

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

Motion Carried: 5-0

Roll Call: Present: Chairperson Bob Hemmer, Vice Chairperson Dr. Donald Hodges, Robert Doyle, John Diefenbach, Stephanie Syre- Hager, Secretary Becky Partridge, Superintendent Jim McCormick

Discussion:

- Building Committee Update (legal)
- Auditor Update (legal)
- Superintendent's Contract
- Appointments and Non – Renewal Recommendations
- Evaluation form of Superintendent per School Board Policy

Mr. McCormick informed the board that the State has admitted that they calculated the 33% reimbursement of the CHPS program incorrectly and will make additional payments to Mason by 2014.

Mr. McCormick provided the board with the Superintendent's evaluation per School Board Policy. Mr. Hemmer requested that members provide him with the completed evaluations before the next school board meeting.

Mr. McCormick recommendation the following staff changes for school year 2012 / 2013:

*Motion by **Robert Doyle** to accept the Superintendent's recommendations on the above stated contract renewals and non – renewals for school year 2012 / 2013, Seconded by **Dr. Donald Hodges***

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

Motion Carried: 5-0

*Motion by **Robert Doyle** to enter back into public session at 2115h, Seconded by **Dr. Donald Hodges***

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

Motion Carried: 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

*Becky Partridge
School Board Secretary*