

Chairperson Robert Doyle 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 Rob Doyle, Vice Chairperson Dr. Chris Guiry, School Board Member Bob Hemmer and Tim Leak

Superintendent: Jim McCormick

Staff: Kristen Kivela

Accounts Payable: Brenda Wiley

Elected: Secretary Becky Partridge, Moderator Catherine Schwenk

Minutes:

*Motion by **Bob Hemmer** to accept the minutes of August 17, 2015 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded **Tim Leak***

***Aye:** Doyle, Hemmer, Leak*

***Nay:** None*

***Abstain:** Guiry*

Motion Carried 3-0, Abstain 1

Next Meeting: October 19, 2015 at 1830h, Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room
School Tour October 19, 2015 at 1800h

Business Manager's Report: Brenda Wiley

It is noted that present board members approved and signed current manifest and payroll.

Milford Student Representatives:

Mr. McCormick will discuss student representatives again with the HS Principal.

Public Communications:

None

Correspondence:

Thank You Note from Heidi regarding flowers sent from the school board.

Letter from Bob Marquis, Superintendent of Schools for the Milford District regarding attending Mason School Board meeting in Jan.

Letter to Mason Board of Selectmen regarding Mason School Board returning money to the town, approximately \$90,000.00

Recognition Letter to Mason School Club for all their support

Letter from NHDOE regarding meeting all IDEA grant requirements

Curriculum Updates:

Handwriting Without Tears; Pre-K Readiness Workshop and Pre-K Literacy Workshop attended by Michelle Alton and Elizabeth Cohen. Cursive writing included

Unfinished Business:

Kinder Morgan letter - Tim wrote a draft letter stating the boards concerns with the proposed pipeline and the safety of Mason children. Included in the letter was that the bus crosses the pipeline ten times everyday, possibility of water pollution related to the fracking involved, and air pollution.

*Motion by **Bob Hemmer** to send letter to FERC stating Mason School Board concerns with the proposed pipeline, seconded by **Tim Leak***

Mason School District
Regular Scheduled Meeting
September 21, 2015

Aye: Doyle, Hemmer, Leak

Nay: None

Abstain: Guiry

Motion Carried 3-0, Abstain 1

Superintendent goals for 2015-2016

School Board Composition - Legal advises the board work diligently to find fifth person to sit on the board. Counsel also advised that the process of going from five to three person board would begin with a warrant article.

Motion by Dr. Chris Guiry to go from a five to three person board, seconded by Tim Leak

Discussion: Tim - having a five person board is nice if people are unable to make a meeting the board can still continue with business and a five person board provides more representation.

Chris - There has been so little interest. Catherine - The board was originally established as a three person board.

Aye: Doyle, Guiry

Nay: Hemmer, Leak

Motion Failed 2-2

Dr. Guiry requested that when a fifth school board member is installed the issue of the board going from a five to three person board be discussed again.

New Business:

Replaced Hood Vendor with Milk 'N It Food Service Distributor - Thank You to Chef Deb for all her hard work to secure the new distributor

Teacher Survey - Tim - Reviewed several districts' Teacher Surveys, appeared that they either surveyed the motivation of the staff or the staff's relationship with the administration.

Chris's one concern is what to do with the results - results are usually turned into statistics and with such small numbers could show a problem that really does not exist. Rob would like to review the teacher survey that was done several years ago in the district. He would also like to design a student survey.

Superintendent's Report:

Positive first day of school

Waspgate - First and fifth day of school large wasp nests were discovered

New school bus - finally labeled Mason School District

Full Day Kindergarten article in paper

Monthly enrollment provided

Jonathan Arsenaault competed Eagle Scout project of installing sprinkler system on the playing field

Staff names on microchip going to Mars

Homework Philosophy - Kristen Kivela - Math and Reading Logs - no worksheet busy work - positive feedback

New afterschool program - Garden Club - Jill LaMontagne, funded by School Club

Girls on the Run will be run again in Spring

Competitive Rising Stars Destination Imagination run by Alexcina Leel and Kristen Kivela

Mason on the Move has begun Thursday, run by Kate Coey and Mike Parent

Writing Club to be run at lunch time with the assistance of Tammy McCracken

Puppetry with Colleen Ringer and Deb Cullen

Two BrainiArt sessions run by Michelle Jimeno

Music instrument lessons along with two other proposals TBA

Yoga after school run by Elizabeth Cohen

Smarter Balance Test Results to be published November 1st.

Budget Process has begun for the 2016 / 2017 school year - first draft at October meeting

Information signs will be installed end of September
Report Card Information Night to be scheduled before November Report Cards
Book Fair large success - \$2700.00

Committee Reports:

Policy Committee: Becky Partridge Section A Second Reading and Approval of ADC-Tobacco Product Ban (revise policy to include e-cigarettes, liquid nicotine, products containing tobacco and tobacco in any other form.) and ADD-Safe Schools (update policy to reflect that the school board does not issue the final safety report.)

The following B Policies are considered reviewed:

Board discussed the Organizational Meeting and whether the current policy of the Superintendent running the meeting continue or reestablish the originally adopted policy of the Moderator running the meeting. After a short discussion the board decided to remain with the current policy of the Superintendent running the meeting.

Non - Public:

*Motion by **Tim Leak** to enter into non-public session at 1940h for RSA 91-A:3 II (a) dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee; (c) adversely affect the reputation of any person, seconded by **Bob Hemmer***

Aye: Doyle, Guiry, Hemmer, Leak

Nay: None

Motion Carried 4-0

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Discussions:

Superintendent Contract Correction
Committees

*Motion by **Tim Leak** to come out of non-public and enter into public at 2015h, seconded by **Bob Hemmer***

Aye: Doyle, Guiry, Hemmer, Leak

Nay: None

Motion Carried 4-0

*Motion by **Dr. Chris Guiry** to seal portions of the non-public sessions for reasons of adversely affecting the reputation of a person other than school board member, seconded by **Bob Hemmer***

Aye: Doyle, Guiry, Hemmer, Leak

Nay: None

Motion Carried 4-0

*Motion by **Dr. Chris Guiry** to have the Superintendent's total contract package to be \$56,184.00 which includes \$4,752.00 for travel and \$50,000.00 salary which was incorrect in the written contract but approved as the contract for Superintendent Services, seconded by **Tim Leak***

Aye: Doyle, Guiry, Hemmer, Leak

Nay: None

Motion Carried 4-0

*Motion by **Dr. Chris Guiry** to dissolve the Policy Committee and establish a policy review which includes staff, administration, and board member, seconded by **Tim Leak***

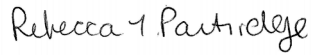
Aye: Doyle, Guiry, Hemmer, Leak

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Nay: None
Motion Carried 4-0

Bob Hemmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 2025h, seconded by **Tim Leak**
The meeting adjourned unanimously at 2025h

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Partridge". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Becky Partridge
School Board Secretary