

RAYMOND SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
October 7, 2009, 7:00 PM
Raymond High School Media Center

- I. 7:00 PM Call to Order: Diane Naoum, Chair
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Proof of Posting: Diane Naoum, Chair
- IV. Public Input
- V. Business
- 7:20 PM A. Our Students/Our Schools..... Information
Science NECAP Results, Dan LeGallo, LRES Principal
- 7:40 PM B. New/Revised Policies - First Reading..... Discussion
CBIA Superintendent's Evaluation
CBI-R Superintendent Evaluation
EEBB-R2 Statement of Insurance on Private Vehicles
- 7:55 PM C. New/Revised Policies – Second Reading..... Action
IK Earning of Credit
KF-R Public Use of School Facilities
- 8:00 PM D. School Board Calendar..... Action
Upcoming meetings, First Deliberative Session
- 8:20 PM E. NHSBA Call for Resolutions..... Action
- 8:30 PM F. Approval of 2009-10 Bus Routes..... Action
- VI. 8:40 PM Committee Reports
- VII. 8:50 PM Superintendent's Report
- VIII. 9:00 PM Other
- IX. 9:10 PM Correspondence
- X. 9:20 PM Approval of Minutes: September 16, 2009
Manifest Signing
Adjournment

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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. Present: School Board Members Diane Naoum, Christina Vogel, John Harmon, Gretchen Gott, and Maurice Titcomb; Superintendent Jean Richards; Business Administrator Ron Brickett; Iber Holmes Gove Middle School Principal Ellen Small; Lamprey River Elementary School Principal Daniel LeGallo.

Pledge of Allegiance: All those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Proof of Posting: It was noted that the meeting was properly posted.

Public Input: There was no public input forthcoming.

Our Students/Our Schools: Mr. LeGallo presented, on behalf of the District Data Team, the results from the Spring 2009 New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) test for Science.

- At the high school level, Raymond's mean scaled score (the average) was two points below state average;
- 19% of Raymond High School students tested performed at proficient level 3; 44% performed at partially proficient level 2, and 37% at below proficient level ;
- At the middle school level, Raymond's mean scaled score was one point below state average;
- 15% of Iber Holmes Gove Middle Schools students performed at proficient level 3, 61% at partially proficient level 2, and 25% at below proficient level 1
- At the elementary school level, Raymond's mean scaled score was two points below state average;
- 50% of Lamprey River Elementary School students performed at proficient level 3, 40% at partially proficient level 2, and 11% at below proficient level 1;
- The Data Team will further review the results as well as curriculum to determine how to best prepare students to demonstrate their knowledge;
- Currently the Science NECAP's do not greatly impact Adequate Yearly Progress results;
- Dr. Richards stated that more information will be brought before the board as the Data Team continues its root cause analysis.

Lamprey River Elementary School is in its third year as a School In Need of Improvement (SINI) for reading and has the opportunity to be removed from that status for reading this year, and is in its third year as a SINI for math. Iber Holmes Gove Middle School is in its third year as a SINI for reading and has the opportunity to be removed from that status for math this year, and is in its fourth year for reading.

It was noted that at the elementary school, for October NECAP assessments, each student tested does so for nine hours spread out over several weeks, and at the middle school, all students are tested over a period of four or five mornings, dependent on the grade. Students at all schools are

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gathered in small groups and changes to the daily schedule to accommodate testing must be planned. The final third week of testing is for students who missed any part of the test during the first weeks.

Dr. Richards noted that Maine now has joined the NECAP test, so that all New England states, other than Massachusetts, take part in the New England Common Assessment Program. The cumulative total, however, on the NECAP results received by the District do refer only to New Hampshire results.

New/Revised Policies – First Reading: The Board read, in their entirety, new and revised policies CBIA, Superintendent’s Evaluation; CBI-R, Superintendent Evaluation; and EEBB-R2, Statement of Insurance on Private Vehicles. Some revisions were suggested.

Mrs. Naoum suggested that the October evaluation of the Superintendent, as directed in policy, be postponed until final approval of the evaluation policies.

Mr. Harmon noted that there is a total of 54 items of evaluation on the Superintendent Evaluation (CBI-R), which is weighted as follows: 22% Educational Leadership; 33% District Management; 9% Community Relations/Communication; 28% Relationship with Board; and 7% Negotiations.

New/Revised Policies – Second Reading: MOTION: Christina Vogel moved, seconded by John Harmon to approve policy IK, Earning of Credit, as presented at tonight’s meeting for second reading. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

MOTION: Christina Vogel moved, seconded by John Harmon to approve policy KF-R, Public Use of School Facilities, as presented at tonight’s meeting for second reading, with the following revision: II, 3, should read “14” days. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

School Board Calendar: The School Board reviewed the list of meetings scheduled for School District presentations to the Budget Committee. The School District First Deliberative Session will be held January 30th, 2010. The School Board scheduled the following budget work sessions:

- Monday, October 26, 6:45 PM
- Tuesday, October 27, 6:45 PM
- Tuesday, November 3, 6:45 PM

Ms. Gott asked that the Board schedule meetings at a consistent time for the viewing public.

NHSBA Call for Resolutions: It was the general consensus of the Board to bring this item to the next meeting in order to allow more time for members to decide on whether they wanted to bring forward a resolution.

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Approval of 2009-10 Bus Routes: **MOTION:** John Harmon moved, seconded by Maurice Titcomb, to approve the 2009-10 bus routes as presented at tonight's meeting. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Committee Reports: Mr. Harmon stated that the Facilities Committee is meeting the first and third Tuesday of each month. The Committee toured the athletic fields at the middle school and has started researching football and the use of the fields in the District.

Mrs. Vogel stated that the Public Relations Committee is still planning the Business Leader's Breakfast on October 16th. RSVP's are requested by the 9th.

Mrs. Naoum stated that the Capital Improvements Committee has reviewed the recommendation and moved forward with the proposed number from the School Board, but the Committee has not finalized their approval of the town's capital improvement plan. She stated there was some concern from the Committee for the amount of money set aside for fields, and that it was explained that the number was not a true "cost" but a placeholder until the Facilities Committee completes their work.

The School District administration presented their year-end report to the Budget Committee the prior evening. Dates were decided for Budget Committee work.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Richards stated that the Strategic Planning Committee was able to complete their first annual review in one day rather than the scheduled two days. There were many good decisions made and the plan became more strategic. Five additional strategic goals were added, five goals were designated as "operational", and some additional action items were added to some already existing goals. Three new members joined the committee. The updated Strategic Plan will be scheduled for approval at the October 21 Board meeting.

Dr. Richards has completed the first walk-through of the year at Lamprey River Elementary School and it was very well received.

The Family Engagement Action Team Action Plan has been active - parents have been surveyed at all open houses, a total of about 200 surveys, and four curriculum-focused projects have been identified for parents to participate in, including Math Night and Lego First. FEAT is meeting every three weeks or so.

October 1st and 2nd professional development days went very well. All teachers and designated paraprofessionals were brought in and all enjoyed having teacher and aide together. The two days together benefited the teachers as they comprehensively planned lessons and were especially helpful for preparing for block scheduling at Raymond High School next year.

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The State Board of Education would like to send a representative to look at what Raymond is doing regarding Alternative Learning Plans/Extended Learning Opportunities. Fred Bramante will be visiting Raymond on the morning of November 2.

Other: Dr. Richards stated that she has met with Fairpoint to discuss leasing their lines for the fiber optic installation. She hopes to bring it to the Board for further discussion on the October 21 meeting. Mr. Brickett stated that leasing the cables costs less money in total, and if any repairs are needed, they would be Fairpoint's responsibility. Our service would be seen as an essential service and wouldn't be affected by any possible reorganization at Fairpoint.

Approval of Minutes: **MOTION:** John Harmon moved, seconded by Christina Vogel, to approve the public minutes of September 16, 2009, with the following revisions: page 2 first paragraph revise to read "...Mr. Harmon stated that last July the administration stated that there was Student Services money...."; page 2 last paragraph revise to read "...reviewing locker room and storage during the time frame..."; page 3 second full paragraph revise to read "...Committee heard that the Fire Department is considering..."; page 4 motion to approve September 2, 2009 minutes change "opportunity" to "alternative." Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

MOTION: Christina Vogel moved, seconded by Maurice Titcomb, to accept and unseal the non-public minutes of September 16, 2009, sections A and B. Voted in the affirmative by Diane Naoum, Christina Vogel, Gretchen Gott, and Maurice Titcomb, with John Harmon abstaining.

MOTION: Christina Vogel moved, seconded by John Harmon, to approve and keep sealed the non-public minutes of September 16, 2009, section C. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Manifest Signing: A quorum of the Board signed the manifest.

Adjournment: Christina Vogel moved, seconded by, John Harmon to adjourn the meeting. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. .

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gillespie,
School Board Clerk