

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Ada Vadeboncoeur, John Harmon, and Tony Clements; Superintendent of Schools David DeRuosi; Business Administrator Marjorie Whitmore; Director of Student Services Michael Hatfield.

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

Pledge of Allegiance: Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

School Board Vacancy Candidates: The Board spoke with candidates for the School Board Vacancy. Dawn Leamer shared her interest in the position with the Board. Cindy Bennett also shared her interest in the position with the Board.

Non-Public Session:

MOTION: John Harmon moved to enter Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b)(c) at 6:10PM, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Upon being individually polled, Joe Saulnier, John Harmon, Ada Vadeboncoeur and Tony Clements all voted in the affirmative (4-0).

MOTION: John Harmon moved to exit the non-public session at 6:44 PM and seal the minutes, seconded by Tony Clements. Upon being individually polled, Tony Clements, John Harmon, Ada Vadeboncoeur and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (4-0). Other than the motions to enter and exit non-public, no motions were voted on during the non-public session.

Public Input: None at this time.

Appointment of School Board Member:

MOTION: John Harmon moved to nominate Dawn Leamer to the school Board member [through the March 2022 election], seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Donation Acceptance: Christina Vogel and members of the Miss Raymond Scholarship Program spoke with the Board about their program and presented a donation of \$7,466.71 toward the Student Meal Service debt. This amount covers the total amount currently due at all three schools for student meal balances. Christina Vogel read aloud the following letter to the Board:
“Dear Mr. Saulnier and Raymond School Board,
In June I wrote a letter on behalf of the Miss Raymond Scholarship Program announcing our intention to pay off all outstanding lunch balances in the Raymond School District from

Kindergarten through high school. At that time we did not have enough funds to pay off the entire debt.

However, at this time, I am pleased to announce we have enough money to pay off the entire debt. Please accept this check today in the amount of \$7,466.71. We ask that you please inform all families this impacts and let them know they do not need to worry about this debt.

We also request that you look into why we had such a high debt when lunches and breakfasts were free this past 2020-2021 school year. Can we investigate options for preventing our district from incurring such a debt again in the future?

In closing, we want you to know how proud we are of our community and the generosity shown to families and children. As a community, we demonstrated our belief that "No one should ever go hungry, especially in our town, especially the children."

Thank you for your service to our community.

Humbly Submitted by the Miss Raymond Scholarship Program,
Mrs. Christina Vogel, Executive Director"

John Harmon thanked the program for their hard work and donation.

Christina Vogel shared how the money was raised, through bake sales and multiple donors.

Both the Letter and the fundraising amounts can be found attached to these minutes.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to accept the donation from the Miss Raymond Scholarship Program to offset the student meal debt, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Principals' Year End Reports:

Mrs. Yacek presented the Board with the LRES Principal's Report, as found in the meeting agenda. John Harmon asked if in the Friday memo there could be information about any students using the bus for summer programs.

Mr. Bickford presented the Board with the IHGMS Principal's Report, as found in the meeting agenda. Joe Saulnier asked when the dates for Raymond Round Tables dates were determined. Mr. Bickford reported that it depends on who the executive director is at the time, though this year there was less communication than normal due to COVID and a change in personnel. The process normally starts right after the holidays.

Mr. Woodward presented the Board with the RHS Principal's Report, as found in the meeting agenda.

LEAP Update & Before School Program Update: Youth Program Director Patrick Arsenault presented the Board with updates on the LEAP Program and Before School Program, as found in the meeting agenda. Tony Clements asked what percent of free and reduced lunch we were at, given the new requirement of 40% free and reduced lunch. Mr. Arsenault reported that in the year they needed 30%, they worked hard to campaign for parents to apply. Ada Vadeboncoeur asked if it was possible to read the RFA online. Mr. Arseanult shared that it can be found by

putting 21CCLC in Google. Ada Vadeboncouer asked for clarification on the timeline. Mr. Arsenault reported that the RFA will come in November, application due in March, and awarded in May.

In regards to the before school program, there has been discussion about adding the 4th and 5th graders to LRES and bussing them to IHGMS. John Harmon would like to see more information from the bus company on how this could or could not work. Mr. Bickford and Mr. Woodward spoke with the Board about the problems that will arise from the 8th grade students taking the high school language class, and the problem solving that has been done so far. Ada Vadeboncouer asked for more information to be gathered on the possibility of adding the 4th and 5th graders to the LRES before school program.

Patrick Arsenault shared that for now, he can kick off registration for K-3 to start, and add 4th and 5th grade if it becomes an option. Marjorie Whitmore will reach out to the bus company to discuss.

2021-22 RHS Student Handbook Adjustments: Mr. Woodward shared with the Board some possible changes to the RHS Handbook to allow for in-school restriction students to participate remotely, given the current technology. Ada Vadeboncouer asked about the repercussions of this change on HB2. Steve shared that he was going to a training soon, and this would be a clarifying question that he can ask.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to accept the changes to the 2021-22 RHS Student handbook as presented, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Educator Effectiveness Plan Updates: Laura Yacek, Steve Woodward and Bob Bickford shared a presentation with the Board, as found in the meeting agenda. Ada Vadeboncouer asked if the walk-throughs were announced. They are not. The formal observations are announced. John Harmon asked that edits were made to update in spaces that reference the special education department to align with the new changes.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve the RSD Raymond Educator Effectiveness Plan as presented and amended, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Bid Award: PA Classroom Speakers: Marjorie Whitmore shared the bid for PA Classroom speakers broken out by school, as found in the meeting agenda. John Harmon shared that since this was not posted with the CIP notice, they would not be able to use CIP funds for this purchase at this time, which Marjorie Whitmore confirmed. Dave DeRuosi asked about the possibility of using ESSER funds for this purchase. John Harmon shared that he would not support this, as he would like to see the money go into personnel for students. Joe Saulnier asked if the state was doing the safety grant projects, such as when the front walkway was done. Marjorie Whitmore shared that she has not heard anything about that but she could look

into it. Ada Vadeboncoeur shared that she does not want using ESSER funds to affect their ability to service students. Tony Clements shared that this was a safety issue for him. Marjorie Whitmore shared that she could take the steps to look into a safety grant first, then look into ESSER III funds if necessary. David DeRuosi asked if the administration could look into the grant options and come back to the Board at the August meeting.

New/Revised Policies - Second Reading:

The Board reviewed revised Policy JIC Student Conduct.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve policy JIC, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

The Board reviewed revised policy JICD Student Discipline and Due Process.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve policy JICD, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

The Board reviewed policy JIA Student Due Process, proposed to be withdrawn.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to withdraw policy JIA, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

The Board reviewed Policy JICI-R Modification of a Weapons Expulsion, to be withdrawn.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to withdraw policy JICI-R, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

New/Revised Policies - First Reading:

The Board reviewed Policy DB Annual Budget. There were no concerns at this time.

The Board reviewed Policy DBC Budget Preparation. There were no concerns at this time.

The Board reviewed Policy DBI Budget Implementation. There were no concerns at this time.

The Board reviewed Policy DBJ Transfer of Appropriations. There were no concerns at this time.

The Board reviewed Policy JICD-R Due Process. There were no concerns at this time.

Nominations/Resignations:

David DeRuosi presented the Board with the nomination of Brittany LHeureux for IT Director.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to accept the nomination of Brittany LHeureux for the Technology Director, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

David DeRuosi presented the Board with nominations for Special education teacher Garrett Poltack at the high school, school psychologist Katie Carpenter, and Mark MacDonald for humanities interventionist at the high school.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to accept the nomination of Garrett Poltack, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

MOTION: John Harmon moved to accept the nomination of Katie Carpenter, school psychologist, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

MOTION: John Harmon moved to accept the nomination of Mark MacDonald, humanities interventionist, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

John Harmon asked for a note in the Friday memo about all the open positions in the district.

Committee Reports: John Harmon shared that the Policy committee was continuing to review many policies which will be coming to the Board.

Joe Saulnier shared that the cable committee meeting the town spoke with RCTV for prices on converting Torrent hall to a meeting space. The price to do this was hundreds of thousands of dollars. There were some that felt it was a waste of money and putting in an air conditioner to the current media center would be a better use of money. There is also a recording studio available to the Town Manager at the High School.

Tony Clements reported that the CIA Director committee met and reviewed applicants to set up interviews.

Superintendent's Report: David DeRuosi shared that it has been a busy start to the month. There is much effort working on speeding up the hiring process to get all positions hired for in a timely manner.

Correspondence/Other: None.

Manifest Signing: Marjorie Whitmore presented the Board with the Manifests. Payables totaling \$1,321,733.55, Payroll totaling \$156,005.94 for a total of \$1,477,739.49.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve public minutes of May 18th, 2021, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

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Upon reviewing the non-public minutes of May 18th, John Harmon requested that in the Motion, before the word speak they need to add the words to authorize the chair.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve the non-public minutes of May 18th as amended and unseal them, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve the public meeting minutes from June 23rd, 2021, seconded by Tony Clements. Ada abstained. Voted in the affirmative (3-0).

John Harmon has questions about the non-public minutes of June 23rd, so would like to schedule time to revisit those in a non-public session.

MOTION: John Harmon moved to approve the minutes of July 7th, 2021, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Adjournment:

MOTION: John Harmon moved to adjourn at 9:15 PM, seconded by Tony Clements. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany L'Heureux
School Board Clerk

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Approved and voted to be unsealed on August 4, 2021

Item B (minutes taken by Ada Vadeboncouer)

Present: School Board Members Joe Saulnier, Tony Clements, Ada Vadeboncoeur, John Harmon; Superintendent of Schools David DeRuosi.

The Board discussed the nominations for Technology Director, Special Education Teacher at RHS, SAU School Psychologist, and Humanities Interventionist at RHS.

Item C

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Present: School Board Members Joe Saulnier, Tony Clements, Ada Vadeboncoeur, John Harmon; Superintendent of Schools David DeRuosi.

The Board discussed the letters presented for interest in the School Board position.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany LHeureux
School Board Clerk