Raymond School Board Meeting March 21, 2018 Raymond High School Media Center Minutes Page 1 Approved April 4, 2018

<u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Michelle Couture, Maurice Titcomb, and Beth Paris; Student Representative to the School Board Jeffrey Rivard; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy; Business Administrator Ron Brickett; Raymond High School Principal Steve Woodward; Curriculum Coordinator Mike Whaland.

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

<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>: All those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Election of Officers

School Board Chair: Maurice Titcomb nominated Joseph Saulnier as Chair. There were no other nominations forthcoming. Voted unanimously in the affirmative for Joseph Saulnier as Chair.

School Board Vice Chair: Michelle Couture nominated Janice Arsenault as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations forthcoming. Michelle Couture and Joseph Saulnier voted in the affirmative for Janice Arsenault as Vice Chair, Maurice Titcomb and Beth Paris abstained.

School Board Secretary: Maurice Titcomb nominated Beth Paris as Secretary. There were no other nominations forthcoming. Maurice Titcomb, Michelle Couture, and Joseph Saulnier voted in the affirmative for Beth Paris as Secretary, with Beth Paris abstaining.

Non-Public Session: MOTION: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b) "The hiring of any person as a public employee" and (c) "Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting." Upon the Board members being individually polled, the motion was voted in the affirmative by Beth Paris, Michelle Couture, Joseph Saulnier, and Maurice Titcomb. The Board entered into non-public session at 7:03 PM and resumed public session at 7:19 PM. Other than the vote to exit non-public session (which was moved by Maurice Titcomb, seconded by Beth Paris, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Beth Paris, Michelle Couture, Joseph Saulnier, and Maurice Titcomb), no motions were voted during this non-public session.

<u>Open Public Hearing</u>: Mr. Saulnier opened the public hearing to consider the acceptance and expenditure of unanticipated funds from state, federal, and/or private sources under 198:20-b of \$46,261.41 Title I, Title IIA, IDEA, 21st Century, NH Department of Health and Human Services, NH Society for Technology in Education, NH Charitable Foundation, and NH Public School Infrastructure Fund.

There was no public input forthcoming regarding the public hearing. Mr. Saulnier closed the public hearing.

Public Input: There was no public input forthcoming.

<u>Our Students/Our Schools</u>: RHS students E.H., Savannah Cooney, Karlyn Berry, and Jackson Dyer talked with the Board about the schedule at the high school, which was revised this year. They each felt positively about the schedule, saying that it gives teachers more time to talk with students, and that the block scheduling allows for

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more intensive work in class and allows a full lesson to be taught in one class session. They recommended that the Monday schedule be reconsidered, as classes are cut short that day due to morning meeting and students find the schedule that one day each week to be confusing. They also expressed concern for SST students returning to school in the middle of second period, which doesn't allow for that time to be filled with a class.

### During discussion:

- Mrs. Couture asked if it's possible for SST students to do some work during that ½ period of time. Mr.
  Woodward stated that some students carry a study hall, and online courses are offered as an option. He
  stated that they may consider the possibility of holding a class that most students take, such as English,
  on a more traditional schedule every day for those students.
- Mrs. Paris commented that this schedule is similar to and good preparation for a college schedule. She
  asked if students can go other places during study hall, to which Mr. Woodward responded that they can
  go to the computer lab or the library.
- Mr. Woodward stated that they may consider removing Ram Time as part of the Monday schedule.

<u>School Board Committee Assignments</u>: The School Board named the following representatives to Boards and Committees:

Policy Committee Michelle Couture, Beth Paris

Technology Committee Joseph Saulnier

Strategic Planning Committee Moe Titcomb, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris (Alternate)

Survey Committee Beth Paris, Janice Arsenault

Competency Based Education Comm. Michelle Couture
Library Media Workgroup Joseph Saulnier
REA Sick Leave Bank Beth Paris

Seacoast School of Technology Moe Titcomb, Beth Paris (Alternate)

Transportation Committee Joseph Saulnier, Moe Titcomb (Alternate)

Wellness Committee Michelle Couture, Beth Paris

Budget Committee Moe Titcomb, Joseph Saulnier (Alternate)

Cable Committee Joseph Saulnier

Capital Improvements Committee Joseph Saulnier, Beth Paris

Conservation Commission re LRES Michelle Couture
Recreation Advisory Board Joseph Saulnier

Raymond Coalition for Youth Janice Arsenault, Moe Titcomb (Alternate)

Mentor for Student Representative Janice Arsenault

RESS Negotiations Joseph Saulnier, Michelle Couture

NH School Boards Association Beth Paris

Acceptance and Expenditure of Funds: Mr. Brickett reviewed the unanticipated funds for which a public hearing was held this evening, totalling \$465,261.41 from Title I, Title IIA, IDEA, 21st Century, NH Department of Health and Human Services, NH Society for Technology in Education, NH Charitable Foundation, and Nh Public School Infrastructure Fund. MOTION: Moe Titcomb moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to accept the grants in the amount of \$465, 261.41 and to expend those funds. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

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<u>Nomination</u>: Dr. McCoy discussed her nomination of Bonnie Sandstrom as Business Administrator as of July 1, 2018. <u>MOTION</u>: Beth Paris moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept the nomination of Bonnie Sandstrom as Business Administrator. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Board Member Input: Possible Future Agenda Items</u>: Mr. Saulnier proposed the following topics for future agenda items: blizzard bags, possible move of the high school, incorporating another SAU into the district, aligning IHGMS and RHS start times, social media policies, and configuration of the RHS media center. (It was noted that the Library Media Workgroup is addressing the use of the media center.)

Mrs. Paris added: self defense and basic life support for school aged children, especially considering AED's in schools.

Mrs. Couture added: expanding Unified Arts at LRES, funding for snack time at LRES and IHGMS, how the end of the school year is being calculated for students and if snow days will be made up, and moving graduation.

Mr. Titcomb added: moving the 4th grade to IHGMS and the 8th grade to RHS because of declining enrollment.

<u>Special Education Director Job Description</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to accept the updated job description of the Special Education Director. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Special Education Director Search Committee Membership</u>: Mr. Titcomb volunteered to serve on the Special Education Director Search Committee. <u>MOTION</u>: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to accept as parent/community representatives Danielle Karcz and Kimberly Bates. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Monthly Financial Report: Mr. Brickett reviewed the financial report for months ending February 28, 2018. Areas of largest variance include salaries, health insurance, course tuitions and workshops, professional services for students, and transfers - food service. During discussion, it was suggested to review sales and what can be done regarding the loss in food service, including looking into the meal offerings. Mr. Brickett noted that the Board has already decided to increase meal prices 15 cents beginning next school year.

MS-22 Signing: MOTION: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to accept the MS-22 [Report of Appropriations As Voted]. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. The School Board signed the MS-22.

Non-Public Session: MOTION: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (i) "Consideration of matters relating to the preparation for and the carrying out of emergency functions, including training to carry out such functions, developed by local or state safety officials that are directly intended to thwart a deliberate act that is intended to result in widespread or severe damage to property or widespread injury or loss of life." Upon the Board members being individually polled, the motion was voted in the affirmative by Beth Paris, Michelle Couture, Joseph Saulnier, and Maurice Titcomb. The Board entered into non-public session at 8:37 PM and resumed public session at 9:09 PM. Other than the vote to exit this non-public session and seal the minutes (which was moved by Michelle Couture, seconded by Moe Titcomb, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Beth Paris, Michelle Couture, Joseph Saulnier, and Maurice Titcomb), no motions were voted during this non-public session.

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<u>Public Infrastructure Fund Application</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to authorize the District to submit the security grant application with required matching funds to be taken from the maintenance capital reserve fund contingent on grant approval. It was noted that this grant is for safety purposes. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Committee Reports</u>: Mr. Rivard reported that the SAT's were held today and that most students seemed happy with how it went. Scores will be back in 14 days.

<u>Superintendent Report</u>: Dr. McCoy provided an update on LEAP - the Learning Enrichment After School Program. She noted that LEAP is one of the grants that the Board accepted funds for this evening. There are 98 students enrolled in the program at LRES with an average daily attendance of 70. There are 81 students enrolled at IHGMS with an average daily attendance of 40. This program is grant funded at 65%.

On April 10th, an assembly will be taking place at IHGMS and RHS with a parent component that evening at the high school at 7:00 PM. This program is regarding bullying, cyberbullying, and dealing with teen depression.

Dr. McCoy reviewed some of the professional development activities happening around the district. Consultant Shannon Harkin has been working with the student intervention teams and the literacy intervention teams to plan and implement improvements to the Response to Intervention model to identify when students need help. Also, science training has been conducted at all levels with Next Gen Science Standards, a joint grant with some other districts, to see where they need to change instruction. Dr. McCoy noted that it was disappointing to have to cancel the teacher workshop day due to snow, and that some of the topics to be covered that day can wait until the end of the school year but some cannot. She is working with administration and the REA on a plan to reschedule the missed time.

<u>Correspondence/Other</u>: It was noted that Rafflemania is taking place on Friday night (March 23) at IHGMS, and the Monster Choral Concert is taking place Thursday night (March 22).

<u>Manifest Signing</u>: A quorum of the Board signed the manifest. Accounts Payable total \$369,224.08. Payroll total \$415,643.70.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to approve the minutes of February 10, 2018. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Moe Titcomb and Beth Paris abstaining.

<u>MOTION</u>: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to approve the minutes of March 8, 2018. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Moe Titcomb and Beth Paris abstaining. Mrs. Couture amended her motion to include keeping the non-public session minutes of March 8, 2018 sealed. The amendment was seconded by Beth Paris. The amended motion was voted unanimously in the affirmative with Moe Titcomb and Beth Paris abstaining.

<u>Adjournment</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to adjourn the meeting. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jennifer Heywood, Raymond School Board Clerk

# Raymond School Board Non-Public Session March 21, 2018

Not voted to be kept confidential.

## Non-Public Item A

<u>Present</u>: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Michelle Couture, Maurice Titcomb, and Beth Paris; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

The School Board reviewed the letters of interest received by parents and community members to serve on the Special Education Director Search Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Heywood, Raymond School Board Clerk

## Raymond School Board Non-Public Session March 21, 2018

Not voted to be kept confidential.

## Non-Public Item B

<u>Present</u>: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Michelle Couture, Maurice Titcomb, and Beth Paris; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

Dr. McCoy reviewed this evening's nomination for Business Administrator with the School Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Heywood, Raymond School Board Clerk