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<u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order at 5:48 PM. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Janice Arsenault, and Moe Titcomb; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy; Curriculum Coordinator Michael Whaland; Technology Director Kevin Federico.

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.

<u>Non-Public Session</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, 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 Janice Arsenault, Moe Titcomb, and Joseph Saulnier. The Board entered into non-public session at 5:49 PM and resumed public session at 6:00 PM. Other than the vote to exit non-public session (which was moved by Janice Arsenault, seconded by Moe Titcomb, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Janice Arsenault, noe Titcomb, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Janice Arsenault, noe Titcomb, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Janice Arsenault, noe Titcomb, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Janice Arsenault, noe Titcomb, and Joseph Saulnier), no motions were voted during this non-public session.

<u>Public Input</u>: There was no public input forthcoming.

<u>Overnight Field Trip Request</u>: RHS Teachers Mike and Davinney Brazeau, along with students Jeff Rivard, Tovah Duffaut, Olivia Furtado, and Nick Brazeau, presented to the School Board their request for a senior class trip to Florida in April, 2019. They reviewed the itinerary including Universal's Grad Bash, SeaWorld, and Disney Springs. It was noted that the class vote was unanimous to go to Florida from the four options presented. Fundraising is in place to help students earn the funds. Security is hired for the floor, so security will always be present. <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to approve the senior class trip to Orlando, Florida for April 2019. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Legislative Changes in the Default Budget Development Process: Mrs. Whitmore reviewed recent changes to the law regarding the default budget. The definition of the default budget has been revised to include that contracts now have to be "previously approved, in the amount so approved, by the legislative body in either the operating budget authorized for the previous year or in a separate warrant article for a previous year." The default budget must now be presented for questions and discussion at the first budget hearing. Line item details for reducts and increases must be available for inspection by voters, and they must identify the specific items that constitute a change and the reasons for each change.

<u>Copier Bid</u>: Mrs. Whitmore and Mr. Federico reviewed the summary of bids that were received for copier services throughout the District and presented their recommendation to award the bid to Canon. During discussion:

• Mr. Federico noted that the number of units that would be in used under the contract with Canon is 19, a reduction. It was determined at the walk-through that 16 was the minimum number of copiers needed.

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- Mrs. Arsenault inquired as to whether a copy center in each building was considered. Mr. Federico replied that it was discussed, but not yet pursued as that may mean additional staffing. They'd like to track the data of what is being produce annually to better judge the cost effectiveness of a copy center.
- The proposed contract with Canon is for 48 months.
- The different in price among the bidders is due to the number of units and their software. Mr. Federico noted that they Canon and Conway's history with the District and customer service were factors in their consideration of the bids.
- The District would be locked into the lease unless the choice was made to buy out.

<u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to accept the bid for lease for copiers from Canon for four years for \$47,052 per year. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Renovation Estimates</u>: Dr. McCoy stated that there has been discussion of the possibility of using the RHS building as an elementary school if Raymond students went to a different high school. She asked for clarification as to whether the School Board wanted her to look into that, and to what extent.

Mrs. Arsenault stated that at this point, they are looking into the feasibility of moving high school students at some point to another high school. They wouldn't want to put money into finding out how much it would cost to renovate the high school for anything, other than an inexpensive estimate. She also noted that the town voted for the new middle school as a middle school and she would never be in favor of moving the middle school here and the elementary school to the middle school. <u>MOTION</u>: Moe Titcomb moved, seconded by Janice Arsenault for discussion, to look into the feasibility, if it ever came to that, of making [Raymond High School] into an elementary school. It was noted that it's okay to just search for preliminary information, no more detail needed. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Donation Acceptance</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault move,d seconded by Moe Titcomb, to accept the donation of \$1,000 from NHIAA to be given to the RHS Life of an Athlete program. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to accept \$1,904.65 from the Knights of Columbus to LRES special education. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Nominations/Resignations</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to accept the nomination of Carolyn Malo as a grade 1 teacher with a salary of \$34,173. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jance Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to accept the nomination of Katja Peltzer-Becksted as a case manager at LRES with a salary of \$34,173. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>New/Revised Policies - Second Reading</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Maurice Titcomb, to accept policy EBCB Fire Drills as read. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Maurice Titcomb, to accept policy EBCB-R Fire Safety and Prevention Program as read. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

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<u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Maurice Titcomb, to accept policy ECA Buildings and Grounds Security as read. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>Committee Reports</u>: Mr. Titcomb reported that he attended the Budget Committee meet at which they set up some future meeting dates, including those with the School Board and the Selectmen. Mr. Saulnier added that they set a meeting date of October 9th for the District presentation of the year-end budget review. He added that the Budget Committee discussed attending School Board meetings, as well as Selectmen meetings.

<u>Superintendent's Report</u>: Dr. McCoy reported that Laura Yacek is Acting Principal at LRES. All teaching positions as of this evening have been filled. Some classroom reorganization has been taking place and some teachers have already come in to set up. Dr. McCoy thanked LRES teacher Maureen Desrosiers, who provides Responsive Classroom training to Raymond teachers. IHGMS security projects are moving along and the District has been assured that the building will be fully secure by the time students return. At RHS, 40 students participated in the Jumpstart program and fall sports have begun. Dr. McCoy noted that there have been some last minute resignations of para-educators and she encouraged interested persons to apply.

Dr. McCoy provided an update regarding inquiries to area schools as to whether they would accept Raymond high school students. Of the ten school systems within reasonable driving distance, only a few have the capacity to take on 400 students: Manchester, Pinkerton, and possibly Sanborn Regional School District. Mr. Saulnier asked if the school who didn't have room were asked if they would be interested in coming to Raymond, to which Dr. McCoy stated that she did not ask that question as she wasn't directed to look into that. Mrs. Arsenault stated that should be ongoing - that if the Superintendent hears of any school within a reasonable vicinity without a high school, that she should look into that.

<u>Correspondence/Other</u>: Mr. Saulnier asked about the progress of the water pipe at RHS. Dr. McCoy stated it's going as planned to be finished before the start of school.

Mr. Saulnier asked if there has been any determination regarding the accessibility project for voting citizens at IHGMS. Dr. McCoy stated that there hasn't been any work done in that regard but that it could be discussed during the budget process if the Board is interested. :

Manifest Signing: A quorum of the Board signed the manifest. Accounts Payable total \$230,645.69.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to approve the minutes of May 21, 2018. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Moe Titcomb abstaining.

<u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to approve the minutes of June 12, 2018. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moe Titcomb moved, seconded by Janice Arsenault, to approve the minutes of July 11, 2018 and to keep the non-public minutes sealed. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moe Titcomb moved, seconded by Janice Arsenault, to approve the minutes of July 20, 2018. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Janice Arsenault abstaining.

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<u>Adjournment</u>: <u>MOTION</u>: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Moe Titcomb, to adjourn the meeting. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Heywood, Raymond School Board Clerk

Raymond School Board Non-Public Session August 15, 2018

Not voted to be kept confidential.

A. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier and Maurice Titcomb; Superintendent Tina McCoy.

The Superintendent reviewed with the School Board an update from a previous student issue discussed with the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Heywood, Raymond School Board Clerk

<u>B.</u> Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Janice Arsenault, and Maurice Titcomb; Superintendent Tina McCoy.

The Superintendent reviewed this evening's nominations with the School Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Heywood, Raymond School Board Clerk