

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Beth Paris and Janice Arsenault; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy; Business Administrator Marjorie Whitmore; Iber Holmes Gove Middle School Principal Bob Bickford; Student Representative Jaeda Bastien.

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

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

Non-Public Session:

MOTION: Beth Paris moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b), seconded by Melissa Sytek. Upon being individually polled Melissa Sytek, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to exit non-public session, seconded by Beth Paris Upon being individually polled, Joe Saulnier, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, and Janice Arsenault voted in the affirmative.

Public Input: There was no public input.

Our Students/Our Schools: Kristine Bostaph, program coordinator for RCFY; IHGMS 7th grade teacher Gwen Reed and IHGMS students Jordan Pasterczyk, Alicia Call and Lillian Allen came to speak with the School Board about their experience attending Project Safeguard on January 10th. Project Safeguard is a conference for 7th grade students that addresses peer pressure, self-esteem, alcohol, tobacco and drug education, media messages, internet safety, and parent/student communication.

Donation Acceptance: Paul Mertzic came to present the Board with a donation from The Knights of Columbus of \$1,169.53 from their Tootsie Roll Fund toward "Raymond Schools Special Education."

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept \$1,169.53 from the Knights of Columbus for Raymond Schools Special Education and thank them for the donation, seconded by Beth Paris. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

There has been an anonymous donation of \$500 toward the School Lunch Program. The benefactor wishes to remain anonymous.

MOTION: Beth Paris moved to accept the anonymous donation of \$500 for the School Lunch Program and thank them for the donation, seconded by Joe Saulnier. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

School District Moderator: Ed French came to speak with the School Board about the upcoming Deliberative Session. Dr. McCoy reported that they had planned the layout for the deliberative session, but will double check the layout for tables with materials as needed. There is no anticipation for any presentations to take a longer amount of time than expected. There was clarification that the Citizens Petition Warrant Article will be presented by the resident that submitted the article, or someone on their behalf.

Signing of Affidavit of Completion: The LRES Secure Front Entry Reconfiguration project has been completed. The Board signed the affidavit to affirm the completion of the project in order to allow the District to proceed with requesting from the State their portion of the funding according to the Infrastructure Grant.

LRES Needs Assessment Bid Approval: Mrs. Whitmore presented an analysis of two bids received for the LRES needs assessment. The District recommends working with Barker Architects.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the bid from Barker Architects for the LRES Needs Assessment, seconded by Beth Paris. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Citizens Petition Warrant Article Recommendation: The Board reviewed the Citizens Petition Warrant Article that was received, as found in the meeting agenda. The Board raised concerns about the tax impact being displayed as being misleading since residents may not know the current rate. This would not list it as an increase or decrease, but only the overall tax rate. There was also concern that it is done consistently with the town. Currently, the town displays the overall tax rate.

MOTION: Joe Saulnier moved to recommend the Citizens Petition Warrant Article number 9, seconded by Janice Arsenault. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

2020-2021 Budget Committee's Operating Budget: The School Board discussed what adjustments to make in order to meet the Budget Committees recommendation of an operating budget \$100,000 lower than the School Board proposed budget.

After reviewing multiple proposals for cuts, the Board had suggested possible cuts for following:

\$14,365 from professional development

\$20,000 from general supplies

\$3,252 from periodicals

\$29,030 for the Pre-K Coordinator position

\$21,353 for the part time HR Assistant

\$12,000 for promethean boards (1 from each school),

\$41,429 for a half time world language

MOTION: Joe Saulnier moved to cut \$14,365 from professional development, \$20,000 from supplies, \$3,252 from periodicals, \$29,030 for the Pre-K Coordinator, \$21,353 for the Human Resources Assistant; seconded by Beth Paris. Joe Saulnier amended to add \$12,000 be cut from the line for Promethean Boards. Beth Paris seconded the amended motion. Voted 2 in the affirmative, stopped for discussion.

Janice Arsenault proposed to cut \$13,260 from professional development, \$16,515 from supplies, \$3,252 from periodicals, \$29,030 from the Pre-K Coordinator position, \$41,429 from the World language position (making this position half time).

This discussion was tabled until after the next agenda item at the request of Joe Saulnier.

Nominations/Resignations:

Dr. Tina McCoy presented the resignation of Elaine Jubinville, French Teacher at RHS, effective January 28, 2020.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the resignation of Elaine Jubinville pending payment of \$1000 liquidation liability as per the CBA, seconded by Melissa Sytek. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Dr. Tina McCoy presented the nomination for Project Aware, a new grant funded position, with the formal title of Director of Student Behavioral Health of Jessica Caron for salary of \$83,000.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept nomination of Jessica Caron, Director of Student Behavioral Health through the Project Aware grant, seconded by Beth Paris. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

CONTINUATION of 2020-2021 Budget Committee's Operating Budget:

PREVIOUS MOTION: Motion failed (2-2), Janice Arsenault and Melissa Sytek opposed.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to cut \$9,774 from professional development, \$16,515 from general supplies, \$3,252 from periodicals, \$29,030 from the Pre-K Coordinator, reduce World Language Teacher at Iber Holmes Gove Middle School to 50% (\$41,429), seconded by Melissa Sytek. Discussion. Motion failed (2-2), Joe Saulnier and Beth Paris opposed.

Melissa Sytek suggests to reduce professional development by \$13,260, general supplies by \$20,458, periodicals by \$3,252, salaries by \$10,000, remove the Pre-K Coordinator to reduce by \$29,030, and remove \$24,000 from Promethean boards (6 Boards).

MOTION: Beth Paris moved to follow Melissa Sytek's suggestion, seconded Janice Arsenault, Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

2020-2021 District Calendar: The Board reviewed the Proposed Draft Raymond School District 2020-2021 Calendar as found in the meeting agenda.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the Raymond School District 2020-2021 Calendar as presented, seconded by Beth Paris. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

School Board Summer Meeting Schedule: Dr. McCoy presented potential dates for School Board meetings over the summer.

The Board would like to remove the meeting date of July 1st. The Board would like to keep July 15th as a regular Board meeting and put the CIP work session on July 14th, leaving no meeting on July 29th.

August School Board meetings will be held on August 5th (Regular School Board Meeting and August 19th (Budget Work Session).

2020-2021 Default Budget Signing: The Board reviewed and signed the 2020-2021 Default Budget as found in the meeting agenda.

Warrant Signing: The Board reviewed and signed the Warrant as found in the meeting agenda.

Monthly Financial Update: Mrs. Whitmore reviewed the financial update for months ending December 31, 2019, as found in the meeting agenda.

Committee Reports: Janice Arsenault attended a CIP Committee meeting last night. Moving forward, there will be a projection for 20 years instead of only looking 10 years into the future. Janice Arsenault also recently attended a Unified basketball game and thought it was great, encouraged everything watching to attend a game.

Joe Saulnier went to the cable committee meeting yesterday. They are working to secure funding to continue as it has been in years past. The next meeting is February 25th.

Student Representative's Report: Jaeda Bastien reported that students have been taking mid terms, and new classes are starting soon. The Penguin Plunge is just 10 days away (February 1st) and students are very close to their fundraising goal.

Superintendent's Report: There was recently a meeting with SST and administrators that was attended by the district. There is another meeting coming up in May. Representatives from the Fremont School District were recently in Raymond High School to tour and speak with students. January 17th there was a professional development day which included curriculum work, a Middle School data dive, and student mental health education. There is a Week of Code family night at LRES for students in grades K-4 tomorrow after school. Rafflemania is on March 27th this year at IHGMS.

Correspondence/Other: Joe Saulnier reported that the Varsity Boys Basketball has a game coming up this Friday.

Manifest Signing:

A quorum of the Board signed the manifest. Payroll total \$446,469.11. Accounts Payable total \$526,904.03 for a grand total of \$973,373.14.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to approve the meeting minutes for January 8, 2019 and keep the non-public minutes sealed, seconded by Beth Paris. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to approve the meeting minutes for January 9, 2019, seconded by Melissa Sytek. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Adjournment:

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 PM, seconded by Joe Saulnier. Voted unanimously in the affirmative (4-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany LHeureux
School Board Clerk

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Not voted to be sealed.

Non-Public Session

Present: School Board Members Joe Saulnier, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek;
Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

Dr. McCoy presented the resignation of Elaine Jubinville, RHS World Language Teacher.

Dr. McCoy presented the nomination of Jessica Caron, Director of Student Behavioral Health
(Project Aware) for the 2019-2020 school year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany L'Heureux