

Raymond School Board Meeting

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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements, Beth Paris and Janice Arsenault; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy; Business Administrator Marjorie Whitmore; Lamprey River Elementary School Principal Laura Yacek; Iber Holmes Gove Middle School Principal Bob Bickford; Raymond High School Principal Steve Woodward; Technology Coordinator Kevin Federico.

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.

Public Input: None.

RHS Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results:

Celeste Clark from Raymond Coalition of Youth reviewed the results of the RHS Youth Risk Behavior Survey. The presentation can be found in the meeting agenda. Joe Saulnier asked what the plan would be regarding the possibility that marijuana use becomes legal in the state of NH. Celeste stated that it was not inevitable, as recently NJ and NY have turned it down. If it was legalized, it would still be classified as a drug, and the coalition would still be working to educate youth on the risks. Tony Clements stated that it was important to remind people that it is still not legal on a federal level. Tina McCoy wished to thank Celeste and RCFY for all of their hard work with students and the community.

Principals' Year-End Reports:

RHS Principal Steve Woodward presented his report to the Board, as found in the meeting agenda. Every year RHS awards service pins for faculty and staff. Receiving 5 Year Pins this year are Jennah Dussault, Heather Powers, and Laura Sforza. Receiving a 15 Year Pin this year is Ann Roman. Receiving 20 Year Pins this year are Dean Plender, Joann Plender, and Ben Ramsey. Receiving a 25 Year Pin this year is Davinney Brazeau. Receiving a 35 Year Pin this year is Pat Nardone. Students that received awards include:

The Hughin Holt Service Award: Alianna Braley & Hannah Reardon

RHS Faculty Award: Christopher Holley & Hannah Rozier

Harry A. White Leadership Award: Tim Berard

All -Around Girl & All-Around Boy Award: Jeremiah Audette & Erin Roderick

Raymond High School Sportsmanship Award: Jeremiah Audette & Hannah Reardon

Perfect Attendance: Tim Berard & Skye Rogers

Top Ten: 10 - Alexis Ostman, 9 - Emaleigh Boucher, 8 - Jenessa Pilotte, 7 - Ryan Nadeau, 6 - Alianna Braley, 5 - Mathew Finneran, 4 - Timothy Berard, 3 - Jeremiah Audette, Salutatorian - Aileen Auclair, Valedictorian - Mackenzie Serrine

IHGMS Principal Bob Bickford presented his report to the Board, as found in the meeting agenda. John Folton, PE teacher, received his 40 Year Pin this year.

LRES Principal Laura Yacek presented her report to the Board, as found in the meeting agenda. Congratulations to the following students for having their artwork chosen for the Young Art Month State Exhibition- Gregory Hubbard Ella Remmes, Sam Gartley, Wesley Thomas, Adrianna Welch, Mason Lowell, & Elizabeth Boyd, (K-3 Division Winner Hadley Luquette).

The Board took a brief recess from 7:02 PM - 7:06 PM

Update on 2020 Graduation Plans:

Steve Woodward presented the current graduation plans, as worked on by the graduation planning committee. The plan can be found in the meeting agenda. Janice Arsenault asked about costs associated with this plan. Given the jumbotron and fireworks, it was around \$11-12,000. Mr. Woodward confirmed that they were still working within the \$15,000 limit the Board had requested.

Joe Saulnier stated that he had been in contact with someone at the Fisher Cats Stadium about hosting graduation there. Mr. Saulnier presented the email from the Fisher Cats that he had received. The base cost of hosting Graduation at the Fisher Cats stadium is \$10,000. They also offer an add on fireworks package for \$8,000. Mr. Saulnier asked senior parents for their opinion on Facebook pages including Friends of Raymond Schools and Raymond Squawks. The majority in both groups liked the idea of the Fisher Cats Stadium. Janice Arsenault asked for the numbers associated with the percentages that Joe Saulnier read off, which he provided. Tony Clements stated that he had also asked the Epping Speedway owner if he would be willing to work on an event with the school, which he was. Mr. Clements stated that he would also like to make sure students are allowed to bring more than 2 family members. He would also like to not worry about parents paying to park if the event was held at the Fisher Cats Stadium. Janice Arsenault also expressed concerns with asking families to pay to park. Mr. Clements expressed that he could put the committee in touch with the Epping Speedway owner if they would like to gather more information about costs. Steve Woodward stated that we could survey the senior class to gather their opinion. Beth Paris agrees that they should let the students decide. Tony Clements will gather information about the Speedway and turn it over to the committee. The Board will set up another meeting on Tuesday June 23rd 7 PM to review the Speedway numbers as well as the results from the student survey.

School Status Change Requests:

MOTION: Joe Saulnier moved to accept the moving of the 4th grade to Iber Holmes Gove Middle School, seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Janice Arsenault, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

MOTION: Joe Saulnier moved to move the Preschool to Raymond High School, seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Janice Arsenault, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

RHS Safety Wall Project Bid Award:

The Board reviewed the summary bid sheet with recommendation as found in the meeting agenda. The Board reviewed the Districts current financial situation with Marjorie Whitmore as well as the options the Board has. This decision will be moved out to a later time.

Assessment of Teacher Mobile Devices:

The Board reviewed the current situation of teachers working on Chromebooks, and a possible move to laptops instead. In the sheet attached to the agenda, Kevin Federico presented the numbers to move staff members to current Windows based machines. It is budgeted for 45 laptops to be purchased after July 1st already.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to instruct Kevin order up to 38 laptops for District and School staff, seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Janice Arsenault, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

2020-2021 District Employee Handbook:

Dr. Tina McCoy presented the proposed revised Employee Handbook for the 2020-2021 School year, as found in the meeting agenda. In regards to the Epidemic/Pandemic Response Plan, Joe Saulnier asked about the quarantine being 10 days instead of 14. Tina McCoy stated that the plan was put together by the school nurses.

MOTION: Beth Paris moved to accept the handbook with the changes made, seconded by Melissa Sytek. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Janice Arsenault, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

Monthly Financial Update: Marjorie Whitmore presented the Monthly Financial Update, as found in the meeting agenda.

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Donation Acceptance:

The District has received a donation of \$1,500 from the NHIAA *Life of an Athlete* Program.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the donation of \$1,500 from the NHIAA *Life of an Athlete* Program, seconded by Melissa Sytek. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Janice Arsenault, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

Committee Reports:

Janice Arsenault reported that she went to RCFY this week, who hosted a speaker on recovery friendly workplaces. The Youth Action Program is continuing throughout the summer because the students want to. The Coalition is currently in competition for a \$10,000 grant, which can be voted for by visiting the link on their website. Ms. Arsenault also attended the SST meeting. She reported that Dr. McCoy is now a chair on the SST Governing Board.

Student Representative's Report: Student Representative Isabella Dasilva was not present.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Tina McCoy reported that the playgrounds and fields will be open to the public as long as social distancing guidelines are implemented. This is aligned with what the town is doing. The schools and SAU will be opened on a limited basis starting next week from 9AM - 1PM. Masks will be required. Laptop drop off did take place Monday and Tuesday. Lamprey River Elementary School Building Committee met recently, and would like to present at the next Board meeting in July. The Strategic Planning Committee will be meeting tomorrow, June 18th.

Correspondence/Other: The Committee for opening school has not yet made any decisions, as they are waiting for more guidance from the Governor. Joe Saulnier stated that the public could use j.saulnier@sau33.com or schoolboard@sau33.com to communicate with the Board. The Chair will be the member to respond to the email.

Manifest Signing: Marjorie Whitmore presented the Board with the Manifest. Payroll total \$1,317,744.78. Accounts Payable total \$115,087.28 for a grand total of \$1,432,832.06.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the meeting minutes of May 18, 2020 as presented, seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Joe Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Janice Arsenault voted in the affirmative (5-0).

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MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the meeting minutes of May 20, 2020 as presented, seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Joe Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Janice Arsenault voted in the affirmative (5-0).

MOTION: Beth Paris moved to accept the meeting minutes of June 3, 2020, seconded by Melissa Sytek. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Joe Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Janice Arsenault voted in the affirmative (5-0).

Non-Public Session:

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to enter Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b)(c), seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Janice Arsenault, Joe Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Beth Paris and Tony Clements voted in the affirmative (5-0).

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to exit non-public session, seconded by Melissa Sytek. Upon being individually polled, Joe Saulnier, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Janice Arsenault voted in the affirmative (5-0).

Adjournment:

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 PM, seconded by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Beth Paris, Joe Saulnier, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Janice Arsenault voted in the affirmative (5-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany LHeureux

School Board Clerk

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Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (b)(c)

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

Tina McCoy presented the Board with the nomination of Bonnie Block for IHGMS World Languages Teacher. The previous nomination declined the position.

Tina McCoy presented the Board with the nomination of Arielle Kamen for LRES Special Education Teacher.

Tina McCoy presented the Board with the nomination of Heather Connelly for LRES Library Media Specialist.

MOTION: Joe Saulnier moved to accept the nomination of Bonnie Block as IHGMS World Languages Teacher at Masters Step 15 with a salary of \$66,232, seconded by Janice Arsenault. Upon being individually polled, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the nomination of Arielle Kamen for LRES Special Education Teacher, second by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept the nomination of Heather Connelly for LRES Library Media Specialist, second by Beth Paris. Upon being individually polled, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

Tina McCoy presented the resignation of Stacey Wooster, Special Education Teacher at LRES.

MOTION: Beth Paris moved to accept the resignation of Stacey Wooster, LRES Special Education Teacher, as of June 30 2020, seconded by Joe Saulnier. Upon being individually polled, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, Tony Clements and Joe Saulnier all voted in the affirmative (5-0).

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