

Raymond School Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 17, 2021, 6:00 PM
Raymond High School Media Center
WORKING Agenda Revised

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- I. 6:00 PM Call to Order: Joseph Saulnier, Chair
- II. Proof of Posting: Joseph Saulnier, Chair
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Recognition: School Board Members Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek
- V. Introduction: Incoming School Board Member(s)
Incoming Student Representative to the School Board
- VI. Election of Officers: A. Chair B. Vice-Chair C. Secretary

[See School Board Policy - BDA Board Organizational Meeting](#)
- VII. 6:10 PM Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (a) (c)
- VII. 6:25 PM Public Input
- VIII. Business
- 6:45 PM A. School Board Committee Assignments _____ Action

Please find the [list of committee assignments](#) to be filled, as well as a [brief description](#) of time requirements for these committees.

Also, for your reference, we've included [last year's committee assignments](#).
- 6:55 PM B. School Board Members and Social Media Posts _____ Discussion

This agenda item is scheduled at the request of one of our Board members to discuss the use of social media by School Board members and the distinction between speaking as a Board member versus speaking as a private citizen.
- 7:05 PM C. 2021-22 Default Budget _____ Action

At the request of the Chair, the agenda has been revised to include discussion about the Default Budget in light of the fact that our operating budget warrant article was not approved by the voters. [Attached please find a document](#) that includes both the default and proposed budget as backup for this agenda item.

Update March 17: [Click here](#) to see Administrative Recommendations for reductions.

7:20 PM

D. Full-Time Reopening of School _____ Action

The District's Reopening Plan was last reviewed and approved by the Board on the 17th of February. Because circumstances are changing rapidly, the Chair of the Board requested a review of the plan again determine if, when, and under what circumstances it will be feasible for students to safely return to full time, on-site schooling.

At this time (3/12/21) the level of community transmission in the State, and in the the community of Raymond, is categorized as substantial. Cases of COVID-19 in New Hampshire are trending downward, but the rate of new cases remains higher than last spring, summer or early fall (prior to November 11, 2020).

Raymond High School has been designated as a mobile vaccination site, and we estimate that all school personnel will have the opportunity to be fully vaccinated by April 15th. Post vaccination guidelines are preliminary, but can be found [here](#). I have also included some vaccination [FAQ information for school personnel](#) for your perusal.

[Raymond School District Reopening Plan](#)

Key to a full return to school are social distancing requirements. For your review, I have included guidelines for social distancing as provided by the State as well as information about room capacity for each of our schools.

[NH DHHS Coronavirus FAQ's](#) (social distancing info highlighted on p. 4)

[NH DOE K-12 Back to School Guidance](#) (social distancing info highlighted on p. 8-10)

A review of our classrooms and current hybrid enrollments illustrates that if 3 foot social distancing were in place, some of our classroom configurations/furniture would need to be adjusted in order to accommodate all hybrid students simultaneously while maintaining 3 feet between student seats. However, the situation would be manageable to address using existing resources.

Two of the most salient challenges of a full reopening this spring would be busing and cafeteria use. While we could encourage parents to drive their children if possible, we cannot ensure that students on buses would remain 3 feet apart if all hybrid students return to school full time. Also, our cafeterias would need to be supplemented by the use of other areas to allow us to require 6 feet of social distancing when students are eating or drinking (masks not in use). The District could consider the use of outdoor seating for this purpose (and other uses).

A return to full time, on-site learning is important for the academic, social and emotional development of our students. The District is eager to make this transition in a way that protects the health and safety of every member of our school community. The REA has expressed their position that members should be fully vaccinated before our schools reopen to full time on-site education.

In order to ease the transition of students back to school next year, the District will be offering a range of summer programming opportunities for students, intended to remediate and accelerate learning as well as provide opportunities for transition and socialization. A brief outline of these, along with dates, [can be found here](#).

8:20 PM

E. Policy IHBG-R and Participation in Assessments

by Charter and Private School Students ----- Action

Our current Policies do not specifically allow for Raymond resident students who attend charter schools or private schools to participate in State or district wide assessments in our district, although home education students do have that right. Given that this is an atypical year, with reduced opportunities for students across the State, we ask the Board to consider waiving this Policy for the current school year to allow students who reside in Raymond but attend private or charter schools to participate our in State or district assessments given a written request from a parent or guardian.

[Click here](#) to see policy IHBG-R Participation in Public School Activities by Home Educated, Nonpublic, and Charter Students.

[Click here](#) to see policy IHBG Home Education Instruction

8:35 PM F. Special Education District Reorganization ----- Action

Director Hatfield will be in attendance to explain a plan to reorganize special education administration for the purpose of restructuring leadership and improving the special education department across our district. The plans to be presented will require only existing resource (no additional funding) to implement.

Updated Job Descriptions

[Click here](#) to see the proposed job description for an Assistant Director of Student Services

[Click here](#) to see the proposed job description for a District-Wide Coordinator for Student Services.

8:50 PM G. 2021-22 District Calendar Reconsideration ----- Action

At the last meeting, the School Board approved the [2021-22 District Calendar](#) with the winter break dates of February 21-25, 2022..

Since then, SAU 16 has voted to [revise their calendar](#), moving their winter break to February 28 - March 4, 2022.

This will change the winter break for SST. Therefore, the calendar is being brought to you for reconsideration to decide if we should adjust our winter break to align with SST.

9:00 PM H. MS-22 2021-22 Signing ----- Action

The MS 22 Report of Appropriations as Voted is a required report to the DOE certifying appropriations for 2021-22 as voted on March 9th. At this time, we have not yet finalized the report, pending any possible recount requests. Once we know if there's a potential for change or not, we can go ahead and finalize the report.

[This version is in draft form](#), not yet finalized (due to an impending recount on one of our warrant articles), with the last page incomplete (which will be filled in once we finalize). Any updated versions will be shared with you asap before the Board meeting.

9:05 PM I. 2019-20 Audit Report Review ----- Information

Mrs. Whitmore will be reviewing the 2019-20 Audit Report. A brief summary of the report can be [found here](#). [Click here](#) for an additional letter to the School Board.

A full copy of the audit report can be [found here](#). We'll also hand carry the full reports for you on Wednesday evening. If you'd like a copy before Wednesday, they will be available in the School Board lockbox at the SAU Office.

9:15 PM J. Monthly Financial Update ----- Information

Mrs. Whitmore will be reviewing the financial update for months ending February 28, 2021.

[Click here](#) to see the complete report in pdf format.

[Click here](#) to see the Expenditures by Object Code in spreadsheet format.

9:25 PM K. Donation Acceptance ----- Action
\$2,000 to LRES from Friends and Family of Jenny Fisk

The friends and family of one of our former LRES teachers, Jenny Fisk, are graciously making a donation in the amount of \$2,000 in memory of Jenny. They've requested that the money be used to support the Literacy Program and the Special Education Department. As per policy KCD, gifts in excess of \$500 will be presented to and acted on by the School Board.

9:30 PM L. School Board Meeting Summer Schedule ----- Action

In past years, the School Board has met following a summer schedule similar to the one proposed below. This schedule is proposed to begin conversation about when to meet this summer.

Wednesdays - June 2 and 16 - School Board Meetings as normally scheduled.

*Tuesday, July 20, 6:00 PM, CIP Work Session
Wednesday, July 21, 6:00 PM, School Board Meeting*

*Wednesday, August 4, 6:00 PM, School Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 10, 6:00 PM, "Non-Meeting" re: RESS Negotiations
Wednesday, August 11, 6:00 PM, Budget Work Session
Wednesday, August 18, 6:00 PM, School Board Meeting*

** Additional meetings necessary for the purpose of professional nominations and signing of manifests will be scheduled on mutually agreeable dates.*

9:40 PM M. Board Member Input - Possible Future Agenda Items ----- Discussion

This agenda item has been scheduled to invite any School Board Members to suggest possible future School Board meeting agenda items.

IX. Committee Reports

X. Student Representative's Report

XI. Superintendent's Report

XII. Correspondence/Other

XIII. Manifest Signing

XIV. Approval of Minutes:

[February 27, 2021](#)

[March 3, 2021](#)

XV.

Adjournment