

Raymond School Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 15, 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. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (b)

V. Public Input

VI. Business

6:20 PM A. Student Representative to School Board Report _____ Information

6:25 PM B. Assessment Data Presentation Meeting Date _____ Action

I am requesting that the assessment data presentation, originally scheduled for September 22, be rescheduled to a later date. At this time, the workload of our administrators' is making it very difficult to allow for the addition of this assignment within the timeframe originally planned.

6:30 PM C. Substitute Pay Rates _____ Action

This agenda item was requested to review our substitute pay rates. To facilitate discussion, [included here is some benchmarking data](#) relative to substitute pay rates throughout the state, collected by our Human Resources Department for the 2021-22 school year.

6:45 PM D. Van Leasing/Rental Options _____ Action

We were asked to look into whether leasing or renting a van for student transportation would be an option for us when faced with bus shortages. As you know, [Primex has supplied us with their advice](#) that 15 passenger vans not be considered.

Mrs. Whitmore has supplied the following update regarding her inquiries into the cost for leaving or renting vans:

Renting:

USave: no longer in business

Hertz: Waiting to hear back

Enterprise: 12 passenger van, daily: \$188.34, weekly: \$1,318.39, monthly: \$2,730.12. If we apply for a corporate account, the prices would be slightly lower.

Avis: No vans like that available in our area

Budget: 12 passenger van, daily: \$182, weekly: \$1,341, monthly: \$4,407
15 passenger van, daily: \$160, weekly: \$1,35, monthly: \$4,806

Leasing:

Motor City: They have never offered leasing before, but will call me back if they decide this might be avenue that they want to go down

AutoServ: Left a voicemail message

AutoFair: They don't have any vans for us to lease. To come up with a cost we would have to build one on their website and then they would have to work with their leasing team to calculate what that cost would be.

Nissan: They only have used vans that are not available for leasing.

7:00 PM

E. Review Athletic Transportation Policies _____ Action

At the last School Board meeting, the Board took action to waive some transportation policies in order to provide families with options to transport their students to athletic events when our bus company is not able to provide a bus for team travel.

At this time parents have expressed concern with not being able to drive a non-family member student to a game. (You may recall that the actions last week allow for parents to drive their own student(s), or a student may drive themselves and siblings.) This agenda item is being brought back to the Board at the Chair's request to revisit this topic.

[Attorney Gorrow provided us with this advice](#) regarding parents transporting students who are not their children to athletic events.

For reference, the transportation policies reviewed at the last meeting are:

[EEBB Use of Private Vehicles to Transport Students](#)
[EEBB-R Parent/Guardian Transportation of their Children](#)

The motions as approved at the last meeting are:

MOTION: John Harmon moved, seconded by Ada Vadeboncoeur, to waive policy EEBB, thus allowing students to transport themselves and a sibling to athletic events during school year 2021-22. Mr. Harmon noted that he is hoping that the motion would be that it only waives that part that is right now exclusive to SST but everything else applies, including the need for a parent sign off. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

MOTION: John Harmon moved, second by Dawn Leamer, to waive policy EEBB-R to allow parents to transport their student or students to and from athletic events for school year 21-22. It was noted that the caveat to this motion would be that if we don't have 100% of the athletes able to go because of transportation, then the team doesn't go. Voted unanimously in the affirmative, and the agreement to the caveat was again noted.

Update: If the Board chooses to move forward with allowing adult drivers other than a parent to drive a student to an athletic event, Attorney Gorrow recommends [using this waiver](#).

7:15 PM

F. School Lunch Debt _____ Information

We were asked to provide some information about the history of our school meal debt and what approaches we have taken in the past regarding the negative balances. [The history is attached](#) starting from School Year 2010 – 2011. This is the furthest that we can go back in our food service system.

Of the debt that we paid off in August, the oldest went back to 2016. There were older debts, but those had been written off at the end of years past when students either graduated (9 & 10 years of owing) or left the district with large balances unpaid.

Typical collection has been phone calls, letters, emails, and small claims. The Business Administrator filed small claims before the pandemic. We were able to secure one payment for past due lunches. We can continue to try to do this moving forward. It costs \$90 to file for small claims and then someone would have to go to court for the court date.

Update: Update: Mrs. Whitmore has confirmed that we are unable to provide numbers regarding specific food service debt back further than provided above, as our accounting systems don't go back further.

Mrs. DiNatale has provided the following further information regarding debt amounts: "Of the 74 accounts that were paid off in August, 27 were balances in excess of \$90. 12 of those were actually in excess of \$200, with the largest being over \$900.00"

7:30 PM G. Our Students/Our Schools _____ Information
RHS Foreign Exchange Students

This year Raymond High School has two new foreign exchange students joining us. They will be meeting the Board this evening to provide a little bit of information about their background and experiences. (They are scheduled later in the agenda this evening at their request due to a scheduling conflict.)

7:45 PM H. Year-End Financial Review _____ Information

Ms. Whitmore has prepared a summary of fiscal year 2021, now that it has come to a close.

[Summary of General Fund Revenues 20-21](#)

[Summary of General Fund Expenditures by Function Code 20-21](#)

[Summary of Encumbrances by Function Code 20-21](#)

[Summary of Food Service Fund 20-21](#)

[Summary of Capital Reserve Fund Balances](#)

[Federal, State, and Private Grants FY 21](#)

[Analysis of Surplus](#)

[General Fund by Function Code](#)

8:00 PM I. Auditor's School Board Questionnaire _____ Action

As part of their auditing process, Plodzick & Sanderson requests that the Board complete [the attached questionnaire](#). An original will be brought to the meeting for Board Chair signature.

8:10 PM J. Nominations/Resignations _____ Action

As reviewed during non-public session.

8:15 PM K. NHSBA Delegate Assembly Resolutions _____ Action

The NH School Boards Association's 2021 Delegate Assembly is being held on Saturday, October 16th. Joseph Saulnier is serving as our Representative at this year's meeting.

In preparation for the Delegate Assembly, NHSBA sends its member boards proposed resolutions. At this time, the Board may review these proposed resolutions and advise Mr. Saulnier as to how you would like him to vote on each on behalf of Raymond School Board on October 16th.

[Click here](#) to see the Proposed Resolutions

These Proposed Resolutions will be discussed and voted on individually at the Delegate Assembly.

[Click here](#) to see the 2021 Proposed Continuing Resolutions

These Continuing Resolutions will most likely be moved along all as one at the Delegate Assembly, but there is always the chance that the delegation will choose to pull any one or ones out and discuss them separately. So, the Board is advised to also vote on each of these continuing resolutions so Mr. Saulnier will have direction in case any one is pulled out separately for discussion and vote.

8:30 PM L. Monthly Financial Update _____ Information

Mrs. Whitmore will be reviewing the financial update for months ending August 31, 2021.

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

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

8:40 PM M. School Board Emails during Meetings _____ Action

This agenda item was requested for review of the procedure regarding reading emails to the School Board received during Board meetings.

8:50 PM N. Strategic Planning Committee Meeting _____ Action

Historically, the Strategic Planning Committee has held an annual review of the plan in late spring each year. Due to various circumstances, the annual review this past spring has not taken place. The Strategic Planning Committee is a subcommittee of the School Board. At this time, the Board may decide whether to hold an annual review prior to spring or to wait until next spring to hold the review..

VII. Committee Reports

VIII. Superintendent's Report

IX. Correspondence/Other

X. Manifest Signing

XI. Approval of Minutes: [August 25, 2021](#)

XII. Adjournment

