

Raymond School Board Meeting
September 18, 2019
Raymond High School Media Center
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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Beth Paris, Melissa Sytek, Michelle Couture and Janice Arsenault; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

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

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

Public Input:

Steven Mcgill, parent, expressed concerns regarding dress code.

Wayne Watsjuz, Licensed electrician, up to speak about contract for EEI. Concerns voiced about pricing and replacing fixtures. Suggested retrofitting.

Carole Watsjuz discussed EEI. Does not think it is a good investment.

Our Students/ Our Schools:

LRES students spoke to the Board about the Pathway to learning (see attachment in agenda).

Energy Efficiency Investments:

Mr. Mike Davies and Todd Ledoux to discuss plans to get projects done. Janice is not in support of the project.

MOTION: Beth Paris moves for EEI to make an investment grade audit, seconded by Michelle Couture. Janice Arsenault opposed, (4-1).

Safety & Facilities Update: Todd Ledoux gave facilities update (see attachment in agenda).

Student Services Update: Scott Riddell gave student services update (see attachment in agenda).

New/Revised Policies - Second Reading:

The Board reviewed Policy BBAA Board Member Authority.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept Policy BBAA Board Member Authority, seconded by Michelle Couture. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

The Board reviewed Policy BBBC Board Member or District Officer Resignation.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept Policy BBBC Board Member or District Officer Resignation, seconded by Michelle Couture, voted unanimously in the affirmative.

The Board reviewed Policy KEE Website Accessibility and Grievance.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved to accept policy KEE Website Accessibility and Grievance, seconded by Michelle Couture. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

New/Revised Policies - First Reading:

The Board Reviewed Policy DAF Administration of Federal Grant Funds as revised. No changes suggested by the Board at this time.

The Board Reviewed Policy GBEA Staff Ethics as revised. No changes suggested by the Board at this time.

The Board Reviewed Policy JEBA Early Entrance into Kindergarten as revised. Flexibility left for certain circumstances. The Board expressed concerns with taking steps away for the parents.

Joe Saulnier recommends keeping the School Board involved.

The Board Reviewed Policy JICA Student Dress Code. The Board expressed concerns that there is no consistency, and it shouldn't be interpretation by varying teachers. There is concern about the hat policy, which will need to be revised.

Monthly Financial Update: Monthly financial updates presented by Marjorie Whitmore (see attachment in agenda). Since the District is still hiring people, numbers are subject to change. Marjorie Whitmore is working on it. There has been an issue with computer program as well. Marjorie is still completing everything by hand. Concerns about timelines on budget due to issues with Munis.

Committee Reports:

Michelle Couture went to RCYF meeting, a large crowd reviewed risk survey.

45% of students didn't eat breakfast 25% didn't eat dinner 3 nights a week: choice vs food insecurity. Seatbelts were discussed as well. Texting and driving has decreased.

Vaping was brought up, with questions about discipline with students vaping at school Michelle Couture has ideas about education rather than suspension for the student who is vaping at school. Under the current policy, vaping is handled the same as cigarettes per Dr. McCoy.

Joe Saulnier reported that the budget committee meeting next week to review budgets.

Superintendent's Report:

The building committee has been meeting, gathering more info, and completing a needs assessment. There was an internet safety assembly at LRES and RHS, unable to do it at IHGMS, as they had a bullying assembly that day. There were also two parent presentations. Homecoming week is this week at RHS; the parade is on Saturday at 9:00 am, Football Friday, and multiple sports Saturday during the day. Open houses for all schools will take place this week and next.

There have been multiple bus stop requests, but not many issues with Buses thus far. There is a new bus driver opening.

Correspondence/Other:

Joe Saulnier asked Dr McCoy to find out if town is spraying the ball fields due to recent EEE concerns.

Manifest Signing:

A quorum of the Board signed the manifest. Payroll total \$435,009.94. Accounts Payable total \$246,518.66.

MOTION: Michelle Couture moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janice Arsenault. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany L'Heureux,
Raymond School Board Clerk