

Raymond School Board Meeting
January 16, 2019
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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:11 PM. Present: School Board Members Beth Paris, Michelle Couture, Joseph Saulnier, and Janice Arsenault; Student Representative to the School Board Jeff Rivard; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy; Curriculum Coordinator Mike Whaland; Lamprey River Elementary School Principal Laura Yacek; Student Services Director Scott Riddell.

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.

Recognition: The School Board recognized IHGMS Media Specialist Sarah Arsenault for her commendation from the New Hampshire School Library Media Association for her work in the Collaboratory Makerspace at the 2018 NH Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference.

Public Input: There was no public input forthcoming.

Our Students/Our Schools: LRES teacher Doug Roy and elementary and middle school students Case Stuchell, Logan Woods, and Nathan Holt talked with the Board about the Robotic Team activities. Mr. Roy and another LRES teacher had received a \$4,000 grant to help support the Robotics Team. The Robotics Team plans to build a robot to travel around the nature trail at LRES and film.

School District Moderator: School District Moderator Ed French and Town Moderator Kathleen Hoelzel spoke with the Board about their roles at the School and Town Deliberative Sessions. The Board reviewed who will be presenting each of the warrant articles at Deliberative Session. It was noted that all questions at Deliberative Session go through the Moderator, that requesting a Point of Order is the procedure to request more information, and that amendments don't delete warrant articles; that the purpose of a warrant article cannot change, only the amount. They reviewed the 10% rule, and recommended that someone keep track to be sure that any changes made don't increase a warrant article by more than 10%.

Student Services Update: Mr. Riddell provided an update to the Board on the status of Special Education throughout the District. He reviewed the district-wide perspective of placements, including those placed out-of-district, the need for para-educators, current contracted services, caseloads, and then reviewed this information more specifically to each school.

Preschool Update and Recommendation: Mrs. Yacek and Mr. Riddell discussed their recommendation regarding preschool with the School Board. They recommended changing the current five-day program to a four-day program with a multi-aged morning and afternoon session, and to increase tuition to \$150 per month. MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept the recommendation to change the preschool from five to four days with morning and afternoon multi-age and increase tuition to non-identified students from \$108 to \$150. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Regular Transportation Bid Award: Mrs. Whitmore reviewed the bids received for transportation services.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Beth Paris, to accept the bid by Dail Transportation for \$512,131 with an increase each year of 4.5%, 4.5%, 3.0% and 3.0%. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

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New/Revised Policies - Second Reading: MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept policy IHBG Non-Public and Home Education Instruction as read. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept policy IHBG-R Participation in Public School Activities by Home Educated and Non-Public School Pupils as read. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept policy JJJ Access to Public School Programs by Nonpublic, Charter School and Home-Educated Pupils as read. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

New/Revised Policies - First Reading: The School Board reviewed proposed revised policies EBA/HIV AIDS Policy Guidelines and EBBC/JLCE First Aid (and Emergency Care) for first reading.

Strategic Plan Update: Dr. McCoy and Mr. Whaland reviewed the January 2019 Strategic Plan update.

Monthly Financial Update: Mrs. Whitmore reviewed the financial update for months ending December 31, 2018. Areas of largest variance include health insurance, professional services for students, and student tuitions.

Warrant Signing: A quorum of the School Board signed the 2019 warrant.

Superintendent Evaluation Timeline: The School Board scheduled a meeting on February 13, 2019 at 7:00 PM for the purpose of preparing the Superintendent's evaluation.

2019-2020 District Calendar: MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept the 2019-2020 School District Calendar as amended. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Procedure to Accept Donations toward Meal Accounts: Mrs. Whitmore reviewed the updated proposed procedure to accept donations toward meal accounts. MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept the Procedure to Accept Donations toward Meal Accounts as presented. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Committee Reports: Janice Arsenault stated she attended the Raymond Coalition for Youth meeting at which they reviewed what is important to RCFY, and talked about the former Amigos program and a high school peer support program as part of that discussion.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. McCoy stated that the NH Commissioner of Education will be visiting the District on February 1st. NH Chronicle will be highlighting Seacoast School of Technology for four days. Dr. McCoy attended an ACERT (Adverse Childhood Experiences Response Team) training sponsored by RCFY. There is some beginning interest in establishing such a team in Raymond, with coordination with emergency services and resources. RHS is looking for some parents to serve on a panel for NEASC on March 31 or April 1. Those interested can contact Kim Moyer or Jay Long. The IHGMS Student Council has just completed their *Pennies for*

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Patients fundraiser. The Raymond Senior Center donated some hand-knitted hats to the elementary school for anyone who needs them. The Lions Club vision screening is underway at LRES.

Correspondence/Other: None.

Manifest Signing: A quorum of the Board signed the manifest. Payroll total \$403,487.70. Accounts Payable total \$316,975.01.

Approval of Minutes: MOTION: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Janice Arsenault, to accept the minutes of December 19, 2019. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to accept the minutes of January 2, 2019 and to keep the non-public minutes sealed. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Non-Public Session: MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (c) "Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting." Upon the Board members being individually polled, the motion was voted in the affirmative by Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, Joseph Saulnier, and Michelle Couture. The Board entered into non-public session at 7:46 PM and resumed public session at 8:06 PM. Other than the motion to exit non-public session (which was moved by Janice Arsenault, seconded by Joe Saulnier, and upon the Board members being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Janice Arsenault, Joe Saulnier, Michelle Couture, and Beth Paris), one motion was voted during this non-public session.

Adjournment: MOTION: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Janice Arsenault, to adjourn the meeting. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Paris,
Raymond School Board Secretary

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Raymond School Board Non-Public Session
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Not voted to be kept confidential.

Present: School Board Members Joseph Saulnier, Janice Arsenault, Beth Paris, and Michelle Couture;
Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

Dr. McCoy reviewed a request by a parent to waive tuition for a non-resident student for a period of time during 2019.

MOTION: Janice Arsenault moved, seconded by Michelle Couture, to allow the student to attend Raymond Schools pending a formal agreement with the Fremont School District to pay tuition for the time that the student is a Fremont resident. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

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