

Winnacunnet Cooperative School District

School Board Meeting Minutes Winnacunnet High School – Lecture Hall Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Winn Board Members: Henry Marsh: Chair (N. Hampton), Leslie Lafond: Vice Chair (Hampton) Fran Henderson (Seabrook), and Catherine Antonio - (At Large).

David Gandt (Hampton Falls) arrived at the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Administration: Dr. Sullivan; Superintendent, Dr. Ronna Cadarette; Assistant Superintendent, Matt Ferreira; Business Administrator, Bill McGowan; Principal, and Isabel Johnston; Student Council Representative.

Call to Order

At 6:31 p.m., Henry Marsh called the Winnacunnet School Board meeting to **order**, and Isabel Johnston led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

David Gandt arrived at the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

The Board agreed to add Eagle Scout Candidate to the Agenda

Seth Pontbriand, Eagle Scout Candidate requested approval to restore and preserve the Compass Green at Winnacunnet High School. The restoration would include the flag pole, walkway, brick patio, garden, and adding two more stone benches. A \$7,000 fundraising effort will be made towards the project.

Motion: David Gandt moved to authorize moving forward with the “Compass Green” project as proposed. Second: Leslie Lafond. Motion passed 5-0-0.

3. Winnacunnet Pride – Isabel Johnston informed that freshman seminar is held during block one every day, Mr. and Mrs. Moser presented a powerful speech about addiction, and Billy Powers has been chosen as the NH Outdoor Track and Field Gatorade Player of the Year.

4. Public Comment on Agenda Items - There were no comments.

5. Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

Motion: Fran Henderson moved to approve the August 16, 2017 Public and Non-public minutes as written. Second: David Gandt. Motion passed 4-0-1 (Leslie Lafond abstained).

Motion: Fran Henderson moved to approve the September 20, 2017 Work Session as written. Second: David Gandt. Motion passed 5-0-0.

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8. Budget Review (Out of Order)

A. Additional Assistant Coaches for 2017-2018 School Year

Matt Ferreira reviewed the comparative analysis and participation levels used when determining staffing levels for the Winnacunnet athletic teams, Winnacunnet High School Fall Participation Report 2017, Winnacunnet High School Winter Participations Report 2016-2017, Winnacunnet High School Spring Participation Report 2017, and Coaching positions, with stipends for 2017-2018.

Matt Ferreira informed that he will be bringing forward ten additional stipends for coaches at the next school board meeting.

B. Student Survey – New Sports

The results of the new sports student survey were reviewed by the Board. Girls ice hockey would warrant a cooperative team with another local team with shared costs. Bowling, alpine skiing, and cross-country skiing would warrant a school team, but there was no interest shown in boys' volleyball. The Board reviewed a cost assessment.

10. Public comments (Out of order)

- ❖ Heidi Teresina expressed interest with the Nordic skiing coaching positions. Discussion included that all coaching positions will be posted.
- ❖ Christine Eaton was in favor that alpine skiing will have enough students to have their own team.
- ❖ Chris Labeau agreed to schedule a meeting with Principal McGowan or Carol Dozibrin to discuss alpine skiing.

5. Consent Agenda (Continued)

B) Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan provided and reviewed a written report and recognized Karen Backstrom, Bill McGowan, Karen Schweizer, and Peter Thomes, for completing 25 years of public education service, and Carol Dozibrin for completing 40 years of public education service. Paula Cushman has retired with 43 years of service to the SAU #21.

Dr. Cadarette provided and reviewed a written report:

- ✚ Welcomed Holly Lurvey, SAU staff secretary to the assistant superintendent.
- ✚ Commended Dan Singer, and Karen Schweizer for their continued efforts with updating and training District staff on the MyLearningPlan and OASYS.

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- ✚ Commended Whitney Forbes for facilitating the Marigold Mentor Program this school year.

C) Principal's Report

Principal McGowan provided and reviewed a written report, and the Winnacunnet High School Accomplishments for the 2016-2017 school year.

Henry Marsh extended an invitation to any student who is interested in experiencing a one-day Page position in the New Hampshire Legislature. Contact Henry Marsh; State Representative.

6. Continuing Business

A) Board Liaisons – Update

B) Art Room Project – Update

Matt Ferreira informed that the technical specifications, and drawings are being prepared for the project bids.

C) Superintendent's Search – Update

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., for discussing the establishment of a screening committee, and focus groups.

D) Grade 9 English Heterogeneous – Update

Dr. David Hobbs presented an update for the Grade 9 Heterogeneous Program, discussed the enrollment trends, Lexile Data, and the PSAT Instructional Reporting, Student Survey Results, Teacher Feedback, and acknowledged that Winnacunnet High School has received the Blue-Ribbon Award for achieving 9,000 hours of student volunteering.

7. New Business

A. School Indoor Air Quality Inspection Checklist

The Board reviewed the School Indoor Air Quality Inspection Checklist (IAQ)

B. Award of Audit Bid

Motion: David Gandt moved to accept the administration recommendation to award the audit services bid to Plodzik & Sanderson in the amount of \$10,450 annually for a total of \$52,250 for audit services. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

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C. Health Insurance Joint Study Committee - Update

The purpose of the committee is to annually review the insurance benefits. We looked at all the different aspects of health insurance, and how to decrease costs. We encourage the increased participation at the smart shopper and slice of life programs. The Cadillac tax will also be reviewed and monitored.

D. PRIMEX Program Membership Agreement

1) Workers' Compensation

Motion: Leslie Lafond moved to accept the offer of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) and enter its Workers' Compensation Contribution Assurance Program (CAP). Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

E. NESDEC Enrollment Study

The Board agreed to move forward with a NESDEC preliminary Enrollment Study.

9. Other

Motion: David Gandt moved to accept a \$900 donation for the volleyball program. Second: Leslie Lafond. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Motion: Fran Henderson moved to accept a \$1,000 donation for the Winnacunnet Band Program. Second: Leslie Lafond. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Appreciation was expressed to Dan Lanio and John Nyhan for their generous donations.

Matt Ferreira reviewed the FY2017-2018 expense report.

Motion: David Gandt moved to enter Non-Public Session under RSA 19-A:3 II (c) at 7:58 p.m. Second: Fran Henderson. Roll Call vote: Henry Marsh says yes, Leslie Lafond says yes, Catherine Antonio says yes, David Gandt says yes, and Fran Henderson says yes. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Submitted by Maureen Hastings, Recording Secretary (Approved October 18, 2017)