

**GRAND ISLE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**School Board Special meeting**  
**Special meeting Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Location: Grand Isle School**

Present:

Gary Marckres, Chair

Carol Miller

Don Bartlett

Nathan Robinson (via conference call)

Lauren Young, Principal

Rob Gess, Business Manager

Members of the Public:

Rob Straight

Nicole Gardiner

Angie Ross

Jeremy Hill

Lori Terry

Lauren Bartlett

James More

Melissa Roberts

Glenn Stegner

Gabrielle Cline

Wendy Meno

**Meeting Brought to Order/Roll Call:** Gary Marckres called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Adjustment of Agenda:** None.

**Approval of Minutes of June 14, 2018.** Carol Miller moved to approve the minutes of June 14, 2018. Motion carried (5-0).

**Members of the Public for Items Not on the Agenda. None**

**Business of the Board (Discussion and Possible Action)**

**a. Discussion Middle School Tuition Agreements.**

An agreement was reached for discounted tuition at the rate of \$4,000 per student. South Burlington's board voted to accept six students at the discounted tuition and Colchester approved the discounted tuition for two students. Essex High School is at capacity and will not offer discounted tuition.

Gary Marckres reached out to families of the 7th grade. As of now there are 20 students in 7th grade. Seven have not responded or did not answer via telephone. Six families were interested in attending South Burlington, three at Colchester and four to Essex.

The next step would be to enter into Tuition Agreements with receiving schools.

Families would have to make a written request to the Board to be considered for tuitioning outside of Grand Isle.

The board would then hold a meeting to approve or not approve those requests. Once the requests are approved, families may register their students at the receiving schools.

This Board has the option to move to enter into the tuition agreements. If the board approves the tuition agreements, the board can solicit formal letters of request from families. There are two options. The board can approve the eight openings that are available and evaluate the number of students who request to go to Colchester or South Burlington and go back to the respective Superintendents for consideration.

A final decision should be made no later than the first week in August after the board meetings in Colchester and South Burlington. If the board decides it is appropriate to continue, a deadline would be set for a week from today to have all requests returned and have time to evaluate the results.

A question and answer period ensued.

Gary Marckres moved to accept Tuition Agreements from Colchester High School and South Burlington High School and to request formal letters to the Grand Isle School, attention Pam Leonard no later than July 24, 2018. 3 yay, 2 nay. Motion carried. (3-2)

Michael Clark was offered a 90-day position as acting Superintendent.

**b. Approval of Bills for Payment.** Gary Marckres moved to approve bills for payment in the amount of \$25,191.91. Motion carried (5-0). Nathan Robinson made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$4,459.18. Motion carried (5-0)

A Special Meeting will be held on July 26, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. at Grand Isle School. Ms. Young will Warn the meeting to discuss the results of the tuition requests.

Don Bartlett moved to adjourn at 7:35. Motion carried (5-0).

**Minutes Certification:**

**Proposed Minutes respectfully submitted by Pamela Leonard. Approved by the Board of Directors on:**

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**Gary Marckres, Chair**

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**Carol Miller**

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**Don Bartlett**

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**Mike Talbot**

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**Nathan Robinson**