Minutes Approved this ___ day of __________, 20__
Jennifer Gariety
Bridget Brisson
Mason Maltais

North Hero School Board
Tuesday, August 7, 2018 | North Hero School

Board Present: Mason Maltais, and Bridget Brisson
Absent: Jennifer Gariety
Administration Present: Joseph Resteghini (Principal), Rob Gess (Business Manager), Michael Clark (Superintendent)
Guests: Ben Joseph

Call Meeting to Order
M. Maltais called the meeting to order at 7:06PM.

Adjustment of the Agenda
There are no adjustments to the agenda.

Pledge of Allegiance
M. Maltais leads the pledge of allegiance.

Citizen and/or Staff to be Heard
M. Maltais acknowledges Ben Joseph and thanks him for attending.

Consent Agenda
  a) Approve the minutes from 7-10-2018:
     B. Brisson makes a motion to approve the July 10, 2018 minutes. M. Maltais seconds the motion and it passes 2-0 with no further discussion.
  b) Approve new hire contracts:
     M. Maltais states there are two contracts for approval: Teri Sibenaller as a 1.0 Behavioral Interventionist and Alaria Lanpher as a .2 Music Teacher.

     B. Brisson motions to allow the chair to sign both contracts. M. Maltais seconds the motion and it passes 2-0 with no further discussion.

     M. Maltais signs both contracts.

Reports:
  a) Superintendent’s:
     A written report has been distributed to the board via email. See attached.

     Michael Clark introduces himself as the new interim superintendent for Grand Isle County and gives a brief update on the following:
       • Audit: A first draft is expected tomorrow and procedures are being established to ensure future audits are smoother.
• Hiring of the new education director: Two more candidates have been interviewed and a recommendation for hire is expected to be put forward at the GISU Special Meeting planned for Monday.

b) Principal’s:
A written report has been distributed to the board for review. See attached.

J. Resteghini gives a brief update on the following:
• Facilities: The gym floor is scheduled to be replaced next week.
• Hiring: The process is moving forward to hire two behavioral interventionists but a short term sub position is still open.
• Summer Programing: The three week program was a success he hopes to continue next summer.
• Safety Grant: J. Resteghini has not heard from the state regarding the safety grant. Rob Gess states he received correspondence earlier in the day and opens an email to read aloud the approval for $4500.00 toward building reconfiguration and $2250.00 for replacing interior locks. He reviews the grant approval process with the board.

c) Financial:
R. Gess states he emailed a preliminary budget to actual report to the board that will be finalized after special education revenues have been booked.

A brief update on the final steps to complete the audit follows.

R. Gess announces the hiring of Michelle Hetling as the new financial analyst for the GISU. He is excited to have her on board.

Board Business
Approval of Bills for Payment
B. Brisson motions to approve bills in the amount of $155,072.64. M. Maltais seconds the motion and it passes 2-0 with no further discussion.

Short Term Funding
M. Clark distributes a letter for board review. See attached.

The letter explains a cash flow shortage due to the incomplete audit. The GISU office is currently working with Peoples Bank to obtain short term funding. Brief discussion follows.

GISU.org Email Accounts for Board Members:
M. Clark explains the benefit to board members for using a GISU email account for any email correspondence conducted as a board member. Brief discussion follows. The board authorizes the GISU to create email accounts for them.

Other:
J. Resteghini distributes a letter from teacher, Susan Dodd, requesting her son attend the North Hero preschool. The program is almost full with 16 enrolled children and a capacity of 17. The board has an open formal request for early enrollment in the preschool program from a North Hero family. The board reviews the preschool enrollment policy and brief discussion follows.

The board decides per the policy the open preschool slot should be given to Susan Dodd’s child.

M. Maltais motions to deny the request of the Potvin family for their child to attend the North Hero School preschool program as an exception due to anticipated full enrollment in the upcoming school year. B. Brisson seconds the motion and it passes 2-0 with no further discussion.

Ben Joseph asks the board and administration to contact him with any concerns they would like addressed at the legislative level.

Setting the next agenda
The next meeting is scheduled for September 4, 2018.

Agenda items:
- Update on facility improvements

Adjourn
B. Brisson motions to adjourn at 7:40PM. M. Maltais seconds the motion and it passes 2-0 with no further discussion.

Respectfully Submitted, Corinn Julow

CC: Board Members, GISU Office, Principal, Town Clerk’s Office