

Minutes Approved this 6th day of December, 2016

Andrew Julow _____
Dave Davis _____
Judith Wimble _____
Bridget Timms _____
Jennifer Gariety _____

North Hero School Board
Tuesday, November 1, 2016 | North Hero School

Board Present: Andrew Julow (chair), Judith Wimble (6:15PM), Dave Davis, Bridget Timms, Jennifer Gariety

Administration Present: Barbara Burrington (Superintendent), Lynn Carpenter (Business Manager), Beth Hemingway (Director of Student Support Services) Joe Resteghini (Principal)

Guests: None

Call Meeting to Order

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the North Hero School Board was called to order at 6:03PM by Andrew Julow.

Pledge of Allegiance

Andrew led the pledge of allegiance.

Adjustment of Agenda

Andrew adds budget to actual review under Principal's Report.

Beth Hemingway requests an Executive Session for a contract issue.

Approval of Minutes: October 4, 2016

Andrew states the minutes were distributed and asks if there are any comments or questions. Hearing none they are accepted as read.

Minutes of October 4, 2016 are signed as approved by Andrew J., Dave D., Judith W., Bridget T. & Jennifer G.

Comments & Questions from the Public Regarding Items Not on the Agenda

There is no public in attendance.

Superintendent's Report

Barbara B. reviews a written report she distributed to the board.

Principal's Report

Joe R. reviews a written report he distributed to the board.

The board briefly discusses the possible purchase of a sound system, insurance coverage for special events held by the community at the school and the education of teachers around teaching children in trauma.

Lynn C. presents the Budget to Actual report and reviews line items reflecting a possible surplus or deficit. The board asks why an encumbrance does not show for high school tuition and fluctuations in tuition costs are discussed. Judith W. asks about a special education line item as she believed all special education costs were consolidated at the GISU level. Lynn clarifies the line item reflects an aide specific to our school so shows in our local budget.

Board Discussion

Act 46 Update

Andrew J. states an Act 46 informational meeting happened at the school on Saturday, October 29 and reminds the board to vote November 8th.

Budget Goals & Priorities

Andrew J. states he would like to discuss future goals in preparation of the budget review in December.

- **Transportation:** Board discusses options they have reviewed in the past for shortening the morning bus ride. Joe R. will check with Lynn C. to determine how their bus contract can be changed and will compile numbers for staffing needs in order to split the bus route in two.
- **Food Service:** The Abby is the current best option for lunch service but new cabinets will need to be installed in the kitchen.
- **Tech Position:** Joe R. states he would like to wait and see if Act 46 would allow sharing of resources with Grand Isle.
- **Preschool:** The board discusses rolling enrollment and are notified that Act 166 stipulates children must be 3 by Sept. 1 to enroll in preschool. The board policy needs to be updated to reflect state legislation. Joe R. clarifies no children will be added this year to the preschool program based on rolling enrollment.
- **Staffing:** No projected changes.
- **General:** Joe R. states Pest Pro & Teaching Strategies Gold, a computer program, needs to be added as expenses. Redoing the gym floor and cage closets for tidying up the gym are wish list items.
- **Foreign Language:** Joe R. states we have one more year with Rosetta Stone.
- **Music:** No changes necessary.

Board Action

Approval of Bills for Payment

The warrant was circulated for board review.

Jennifer G. motions to approve the bills in the amount of \$169,093.04, Judith W. seconds and the motion passes 5-0 with no further discussion.

Executive Session

Dave D. motions to enter executive session at 7:04PM for a contract matter, Jennifer G. seconds and the motion passes 5-0 with no further discussion.

Dave D. motions to come out of executive session at 7:53PM with no action taken, Jennifer G. seconds and the motion passes 5-0 with no further discussion.

The board discusses meeting again to discuss special education staffing and decide on November 15th at 6:00PM.

Adjournment

Dave D. motions to adjourn at 7:55PM. Judith W. seconds and the motion passes 5-0 with no further discussion.

Agenda Building

November 15, 2016: Special education staffing

December 6, 2016: Transportation options

Respectfully Submitted, Corinn Julow

CC: School Board - Andrew/Judith/Dave/Jennifer/Bridget
Central Office
Principal Resteghini
Town Clerk's Office
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