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PORTSMOUTH SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

SCHOOL BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL

PORTSMOUTH, NH

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

TIME: 7:00 PM [or thereafter]

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – School Board Chair Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL** LESLIE STEVENS (CHAIR); ANN WALKER, LENNIE MULLANEY, NANCY NOVELLINE-CLAYBURGH, GARY EPLER, JEFF LANDRY, PATRICK ELLIS, STEPHEN ZADRAVEC (SUPERINTENDENT), GEORGE SHEA (ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT) AND JULIA ADLER (STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE)
- III. **INVOCATION**
- IV. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chair Stevens led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- V. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
- a. AUGUST 11, 2015 BOARD MEETING
- MOTION: Motion to accept the public minutes of August 11, 2015 by Ms. Walker
SECOND: Mr. Ellis
DISCUSSION:
VOTE: Unanimously Approved
- VI. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- VII. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**
- a. VDI AND PHS TECH UPDATE
- Mr. Tom Lotz gave a presentation on the Virtual Desk Top which will allow access remotely including from home. Tech department remotely can look at computer of individual who may be having an issue and be able to fix it. Student Services has found that they can share certain applications in multiple locations and schools. Older equipment is able to be used and laptops can be purchased for much less than computers. Labs at PHS and RJLA have been upgraded. Students can use their own devices at PMS and hope to expand that at PHS.
- LHS received updates with the renovations including more areas for wireless.
- b. SMARTER BALANCED – INTRODUCTION TO REPORTING
- Mr. Shea presented to the board the information on what the new reports are going to look like and how best to understand the SBAC results. These results are new so are not compared to previous tests. These results will help teachers decide what they need to work on per student and per grade level. Science will not be included this year but may be in the future.
- VIII. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
- a. ITEMS OF INFORMATION
- i. POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2015
- ii. NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL BOARD CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS
- iii. SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATES AND WORK CALENDAR

- iv. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATOR, AUGUST 2015
- v. CENTRAL OFFICE UPDATE, SEPTEMBER
- b. CORRESPONDENCE
 - i. THANK YOU NOTE FROM ED MCDONOUGH
 - ii. THANK YOU NOTE FROM AMY NOBLE
- c. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
 - i. UPDATE ON LITTLE HARBOUR RENOVATIONS

Mr. Bartlett informed the council that Little Harbour received the Conditional Certificate of Residency and the school opened its doors to students today. He thanked Mr. Davey and Ken Linchey and his crew for their hard work in getting the school ready.

The School Board will have a walk through prior to the School Board meeting at Little Harbour on September 22nd.

- ii. SCHOOL OPENING

All went very well with the opening of schools and with the shifts in administration. The freshman coming in the 1st day and upper classmen coming in the next day worked well.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

- a. LATE START COMMITTEE

Mr. Ellis will chair this committee. Mr. Shea and Mr. Zadavec attended the Superintendent's Southeastern meeting recently and found other districts are considering the late start also. Mr. Shea and Mr. Zadavec will send out a notice to see who will be interested in being on the committee. They want to include representatives from areas such as athletics, parents, students, SAU 50, and others who may be interested.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATORS TENTATIVE AGREEMENT

MOTION: Motion to accept Administrator's Tentative Agreement by Ms. Clayburgh

SECOND: Mr. Epler

DISCUSSION: Assistant Superintendent and Business Manager are not part of this union.

VOTE: Unanimously Approved

- b. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CUSTODIAL SUPERVISORY TENTATIVE AGREEMENT

MOTION: Motion to accept Custodial Supervisory Tentative Agreement by Ms. Walker

SECOND: Mr. Landry

DISCUSSION:

VOTE: Unanimously Approved

- c. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

- i. RACHEL BRATTER, PMS SPECIAL ED CASE MANAGER

- ii. ANN DINTINO, LHS .4 COUNSELOR

- iii. LATASHA SMITH, DO GRADE 1 TEACHER

MOTION: Motion to accept nominations by Mr. Ellis

SECOND: Ms. Clayburgh
DISCUSSION:
VOTE: Unanimously Approved

XI. COMMITTEE UPDATES

a. POLICY

Ms. Walker said the next policy meeting will be next week.

b. JBC

Mr. Bartlett said there will be a non-meeting on the 15th and a regular JBC meeting on the 23rd at 6:00.

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a. ELECTRONIC TEXT BOOK POLICY

b. LATER START

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: made the motion to adjourn at 8:45 by Mr. Ellis

SECOND: Mr. Landry

DISCUSSION:

VOTE: Unanimously approved