

ASHLAND SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Ashland Elementary School – Heffernan Media Center
Tuesday, December 5, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.*
****Policy Review Committee @ 5:30 p.m.***

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

RECORD ROLL

Members Present:

Mr. Stephen Heath, Chair
Mr. Stephen Felton
Mrs. Jennifer Foote

Administrators Present:

Mrs. Mary Moriarty, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Ashley Dolloff, Business Administrator
Mr. Guy Donnelly, Principal

Members Absent:

Mr. Jesse Farris (w/notice)
Mrs. Sandra Coleman (w/notice)

Others Present:

Mr. David Ruell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT – *Opened at 6:04 p.m.*

MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of November 7, 2023

Mr. Felton moved, seconded by Mrs. Foote, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 7, 2023. The motion carried 3-0.

B. Budget Work Session of November 16, 2023

Mr. Felton moved, seconded by Mrs. Foote, to approve the minutes of the Budget Work session of November 16, 2023 w/corrections. The motion carried 3-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

BUSINESS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. General Operating Expenses.

Mr. Felton moved, seconded by Mrs. Foote, to approve the payment of bills, manifests #2008.

The motion carried 3-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Principal's Report/Enrollment Report

Enrollment as of December 5, 2023 is 129. Boot fitting for skiers & snowboarders taking place, learning summaries available for all families, Team Caring is headed

to the Science Center, kids are participating in an ugly sweater day, students made wreaths and staff delivered to businesses as thank you for support for Halloween Parade, Holiday Craft night is 12/11 to benefit AES remembers Jamison Jacheo Scholarship fund, PSU tiger performance taking place, Winter Concert taking place on 12/14. Mr. Donnelly introduced a new module called Ordinary Until Tested. Students will learn about ordinary people who have been put to the test by difficult circumstance and have proven to be extraordinary.

B. Year-to-Date Financial Report

The Board reached consensus to hold a public hearing on January 2, 2024 to vote on withdrawal from Special Education expendable trust.

C. Facilities Update

Sewer pumps have been fixed and running normally.

OLD BUSINESS

A. 2024-2025 Budget Review

The Board reviewed the 2024/2025 budget.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Tuition Rates 2023/2024 @ Cost Per Pupil

Mrs. Foote moved, seconded by Mr. Felton, to approve setting the tuition rates for the 2023/2024 School Year as presented. The motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT – *Closed at 6:35 p.m.*

NONPUBLIC SESSION

Mrs. Foote moved, seconded by Mr. Felton, to enter nonpublic session at 6:35 p.m. Mr. Heath called the roll.

YES: Mrs. Foote, Mr. Felton, Mr. Heath

NO: --

The Board entered Nonpublic Session at 6:35 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mrs. Coleman moved, seconded by Mr. Felton, to reenter public session at 6:59 p.m. Mr. Heath called the roll.

YES: Mrs. Foote, Mr. Felton, Mr. Heath

NO: --

The Board re-entered Public Session at 6:42 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Wednesday, December 13, 2023

SAU #2 Board @ Humiston Building – Conference Room

- SAU #2 Board Meeting & Budget Public Hearing – **6:00 p.m.**
- Ashland School Board Special Meeting – **Immediately following SAU Board Meeting**

B. Tuesday, January 2, 2024

Ashland School Board @ Ashland Elementary School – Heffernan Media Center

- Ashland School Board Regular Meeting – **6:00pm**

C. Thursday, January 4, 2024

Town of Ashland Budget Committee – 6 Collins Street, Ashland, NH (Mr. Heath will reach out to chair to see if we can move to AES)

- Budget Committee Meeting – 6:00pm

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Foote moved, seconded by Mr. Felton, to adjourn meeting at 6:46 p.m.

CONFIDENTIAL
NON-PUBLIC SESSION
Tuesday, December 5, 2023

R.S.A. 91-A:3 II(d): This includes matters related to the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.

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Mr. Stephen Felton
Mrs. Jennifer Foote

Administrators Present:

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Members Absent:

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Others Present:

A. SEED Grant

Motion to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to enter into the said contract with the State and to execute any and all documents, agreements and other instruments, and any amendments, revisions, or modifications thereto, as she may deem necessary, desirable or appropriate.

Mr. Felton moved, seconded by Mrs. Foote, to approve SEED Grant. The motion carried 3-0.