

**ASHLAND SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
Humiston Building – Conference Room
103 Main Street, Meredith, NH
Tuesday, December 10, 2024 @ 5:15 pm
(or immediately following the SAU #2 Meeting at 5:00 p.m.)**

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Heath called the meeting to order at 5:26 p.m.

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- III. RECORD ROLL

Members Present:

Mr. Stephen Heath, Chair
Mrs. Sandra Coleman, Vice-Chair
Mr. Jesse Farris
Mrs. Jennifer Foote (via Google Meet)

Administrators Present:

Mrs. Ashley Dolloff, Business Administrator
Mr. Guy Donnelly, AES Principal

Members Absent:

Mr. Stephen Felton (with notice)

Others Present:

- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – *Opened at 5:27 p.m.*

- V. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2025-2026 Budget

The Board reviewed the presented reductions to the 2025-2026 Operating Budget. Mrs. Dolloff noted that if a donation is received for field experiences, funds could be shifted to support facility needs. The Board reached consensus to reduce the budget through Level 4 as presented.

Mr. Farris moved, seconded by Mrs. Coleman, to adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Operating Budget in the amount of \$4,721,778 to be forwarded to the Ashland Budget Committee Public Hearing.

The motion carried 4-0.

B. Collective Bargaining Agreement

Mr. Farris moved, seconded by Mrs. Coleman, to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Ashland School Board and the Ashland Teachers' Association as presented.

The motion carried 4-0.

C. Draft Warrant Articles

Mrs. Dolloff shared the draft Warrant Articles with the Board. She shared that the Board would receive updated draft Warrant Articles, the default budget, and revenue information at the January 7th Board meeting.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT –*Closed at 5:44 p.m.*

Note - Public comment was closed early because no members of the public were present.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. **Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

Ashland School Board @ Ashland Elementary School – Heffernan Media Center

- Policy Review Committee Meeting – **5:30 p.m.**
- Ashland School Board Regular Meeting – **6:00 p.m.**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Coleman moved, seconded by Mr. Farris, to adjourn meeting at 5:45 p.m.

The motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Bullimore, Recording Secretary