

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Board Members Kim Shillieto, Rick Christoffersen, Michael Culver (arrived at 6:10 PM), Alice Rocke, Timothy Wennrich, Richard Larcom; Superintendent Pierre Couture; Business Manager Tina Peabody; Principal Benjamin Jellison; Staff Members, Kristy Duris, Patricia Baxter, Lovall Morrison; Student Representative Tom Oliver

Superintendent Couture called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Superintendent Couture opened the floor to nominations for Chairman of the Profile School Board. Alice Rocke nominated Kim Shillieto to the position of Profile Board Chairman. MOTION BY ALICE ROCKE, SECONDED BY RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF KIM SHILLIETO TO THE POSITION OF PROFILE SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED. Superintendent Couture turned the meeting over to Chairman Shillieto.

Chairman Shillieto opened the floor to nominations for Vice Chairman of the Profile school Board. Alice Rocke nominated Rick Christoffersen to the position of Vice Chairman of the Profile School Board. MOTION BY ALICE ROCKE, SECONDED BY TIMOTHY WENNRICH TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN AS THE PROFILE BOARD VICE CHAIRMAN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

## STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

Tom Oliver, a member of the sophomore class and the Student Council appeared before the Board to update them on student activities. Tom reiterated that one of the Student Council's main goals is to give students a voice at Profile.

Tom advised the Board that Winter Carnival was a great competition between the classes. There were lots of fun activities enjoyed by all classes. In the end, the sophomore class garnered the most points and won the award. There was a dance held at the end of the week-long celebration with all proceeds going to support Profile's Special Olympians.

The next project on tap for Profile will be the Unified Sports Day on May 24<sup>th</sup> which Profile will be hosting. Grade 8 is doing most of the planning with some assistance from YLTA. This year the school day will be cut to ½ day to allow all students to participate and cheer on the athletes. More details to come as the day gets closer and plans are finalized. There will be students from ten schools participating.

This past Monday, grade 7 students attended a Youth Leadership Conference at the Highland Center. The keynote speaker was Ty Fells who addressed "The Power of Acceptant". Mr. Fells will also be coming to speak at Profile which was arranged by Sean O'Brien, SAP Coordinator and YLTA Advisor.

Tom advised the Board that several Profile Students had the opportunity to participate in an Opioid Summit at SNHU recently which they found to be very informative.

The Board thanked Tom for his presentation and he left the meeting.

MOTION BY RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN, SECONDED BY ALICE ROCKE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 16, 2017 MEETING AS WRITTEN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

For the benefit of the new members, Superintendent Couture briefed the Board on the Powers and Duties of the School Board. These include the approval of the budget, hiring of staff, and approval of policies.

Superintendent Couture further advised that he is pleased that the new members are planning on attending the NHSBA (New Hampshire School Board Association) New Board Member Orientation Workshop in May. This proves to be a very informative session.

Superintendent Couture distributed copies of the Professional Staff Nomination List for Board information and approval.

MOTION BY RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN, SECONDED BY ALICE ROCKE TO ENTER INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 5:50PM PER RSA 91A:3 I, II TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES TAKING SUPERINTENDENT COUTURE, BUSINESS MANAGER PEABODY, PRINCIPAL JELLISON. ALL IN FAVOR FOLLOWING A ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY ALICE ROCKE SECONDED BY RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN TO RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:10 PM. ALL IN FAVOR FOLLOWING A ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN, SECONDED BY RICHARD LARCOM TO APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL STAFF NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR AS AMENDED (COPY ATTACHED). ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Superintendent Couture recommended the renewal of Profile's full membership in NCES for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$3,174.60. NCES (North Country Education Services) provides Professional Development opportunities for all staff members as well as offering many other services for students and staff. MOTION BY RICHARD LARCOM, SECONDED BY TIMOTHY WENNRICH TO APPROVE THE 2017-2018 FULL MEMBERSHIP IN NCES AS RECOMMENDED. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Superintendent Couture advised the Board that the Administrative Team continues to focus on PACE. The professional Development Day on May 15 will be dedicated to double scoring of select areas by faculty members. This is to verify the validity of submitted assessments.

Superintendent Couture advised the Board that Principal Jellison will address the proposed change of start time for the school day in his report.

Superintendent Couture advised the Board that Senate Bill 193 passed the senate and is now in house committee. The Superintendents, collectively, throughout the state are very against this proposed voucher program as previously addressed. Their concerns center on the loss of Adequacy Aid and the parental ability to take their students aid for tuition to private and parochial schools. They are also concerned that home schooled students would be eligible to participate in this program but yet, home school in NH does not contain any accountability process. A brief discussion ensued.

Superintendent Couture advised the Board that Full Day Kindergarten has been brought back to the house. This was included in the governor's budget but as this did not pass, it is once again in committee

## OLD BUSINESS

Alice Rocke raised a question pertaining to the past presentation on a survey of students which indicated that 75% of the students felt that they were well prepared for life after high school. The Smarter Balanced Assessment website indicates that the scores for English/Language Arts and Mathematics have dropped. Alice asked how the District can be sure that students are appropriately prepared. Superintendent Couture advised that the Grade 11 testing is now SAT's state wide which proves to be a stronger indicator than Smarter Balanced as the students take it more seriously. Also the PACE initiative and the development of our own testing protocols/competencies will address this. A brief discussion ensued.

Rick Christoffersen requested that the Board be provided with information on the number of students currently engaged in programs at the CTE (Career and Technical Education) Centers. Principal Jellison will provide this information.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Jellison called the Board's attention to his written report forwarded to them via e-mail. If there are any questions please let him know.

Principal Jellison advised the Board that the custodial position vacated by the resignation of Gerald Drapeau has been filled by two part-time employees, Nancy Ward and Mary Crowe. Following a brief discussion, MOTION BY TIMOTHY WENNRICH, SECONDED BY ALICE ROCKE TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO PART-TIME CUSTODIANS, NANCY WARD AND MARY CROWE. AS PRESENTED. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Principal Jellison advised that a candidate has been found to fill the Middle School Baseball Coaching position. He distributed the bio of Rick Ollerman for Board information and review. MOTION BY MICHAEL CULVER, SECONDED BY ALICE ROCKE TO APPROVE RICK OLLERMAN AS MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL COACH FOR THE 2017 SPRING SEASON AS PRESENTED. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Principal Jellison distributed information on a planned trip to Ireland, England and Wales during April Vacation in 2019. This is being led by Thea Boyer and arrangements are being done through EF Tours. This is for information purposes only.

Principal Jellison advised the Board that he has been researching the possibility of a later start time for Profile School. Currently the start time is 7:40 AM which is the earliest start time in the area. Principal Jellison has been working with Principal Johnk of Lafayette and Principal Roberts of Bethlehem along with representatives from W.W. Berry Transportation in an effort to change this. It appears that this can be accomplished by having the elementary schools start first which would mean a flip in the bus routes. Principal Jellison will be sending out a questionnaire to Profile parents seeking their input into this proposed change.

## POLICY COMMITTEE

Rick Christoffersen advised that there are no policies for approval at this evening's meeting. It was noted that the Spring Policy updates should be received from NHSBA in May.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Manifests were circulated for Board review and approval. For the benefit of the new members, Business Manager Tina Peabody explained the manifest process and the types of warrants presented.

Business Manager Peabody distributed Financial Reports for Board information and review noting that the current yearend balance is \$374,437.97. Ms. Peabody briefed the Board on the changes since the prior reporting period fielding questions as necessary. Ms. Peabody further explained the Surplus/Deficit Statement and attached reports for the new Board members.

## NEW BUSINESS

Kim Shillieto addressed the need to update the Board Committee assignments. He requested that the SAU forward a listing of committees to all members for their review and this will be addressed at the May meeting.

Chairman Shillieto noted that there is currently a need to appoint a Profile representative to the Executive Board resulting from the recent election and the fact that Christine Ash is no longer on the Board. Chairman Shillieto offered to fill this position himself. It was the consensus of the Board to accept this offer and Chairman Shillieto will represent the Profile Board on the Executive Board.

Superintendent Couture advised the Board that the Full Board May Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the AHEAD Conference Room (one floor up from the SAU office).

Superintendent Couture requested that the Board move the April Board meeting. Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to move the April meeting to Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 5:30 PM.

MOTION BY ALICE ROCKE, SECONDED BY RICK CHRISTOFFERSEN TO ENTER INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:40PM PER RSA 91A:3 I, II TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES TAKING SUPERINTENDENT COUTURE, BUSINESS MANAGER PEABODY, PRINCIPAL JELLISON. ALL IN FAVOR FOLLOWING A ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY TIMOTHY WENNRICH, SECONDED BY MICHAEL CULVER TO RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION AT 7:23 PM. ALL IN FAVOR FOLLOWING A ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED.

There being no additional business to come before the Board, MOTION BY MICHAEL CULVER, SECONDED BY TIMOTHY WENNRICH TO ADJOURN AT 7:24 PM. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Brown  
Board Clerk