

**SAU #2 BOARD MEETING**  
**Ashland Elementary School – Cafeteria**  
**16 Education Drive, Ashland NH**  
**November 18, 2024 @ 6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER  
Chair Billings called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. RECORD ROLL

**Members Present:**

Mr. Mark Billings, Chair  
Mr. Duncan Porter-Zuckerman, Vice-Chair  
Mrs. Jennifer Foote, Secretary  
Mr. Jesse Farris  
Mr. Stephen Felton  
Mr. Charley Hanson  
Mr. Stephen Heath  
Mr. Jim Locke  
Mrs. Nancy Starmer  
Mr. Edward Twaddell III

**Administrators Present:**

Mrs. Mary Moriarty, Superintendent  
Mrs. Ashley Dolloff, Business Administrator

**Members Absent (with notice):**

Mrs. Sandra Coleman  
Mrs. Siobhán Connelly

**Others Present:**

PUBLIC COMMENT – *Opened at 6:05 p.m.*

IV. MINUTES

**A. SAU #2 Board Meeting – May 28, 2024**

Mr. Twaddell III moved, seconded by Mr. Porter-Zuckerman, to approve the minutes of the SAU #2 Board Meeting of May 28, 2024.

The motion carried 9-0-1, with Mrs. Foote abstaining.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

**A. Secretary of the SAU #2 Board**

None.

**B. Members of the SAU #2 Board**

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Annual Report**

Mrs. Dolloff presented the 2023/2024 Annual Report for the Board's review. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Hanson asked if the SAU is fully staffed. Mrs. Moriarty responded yes. Mr. Twaddell III asked for a breakdown of staffing. Mrs. Moriarty shared a staffing breakdown with the Board.

**B. 2025-2026 SAU #2 Proposed Budget**

The proposed SAU general fund has an increase of \$32,755 which is a 2.35% increase from last year's adopted total General Fund.

For the 2024/2025 School Year, the SAU staff health insurance cost share is 16.5% for employees and 83.5% for the AB20 Plan, with the high deductible plan fully employer-paid. The AB20 Plan increased by 16.1%, and the high deductible plan by 27.6%. To control costs, the 2025/2026 budget proposes shifting the "driver" plan to ABSOS\$1KDED with a 10% employee/90% employer share, plus Health Reimbursement Accounts (HRAs) for staff to cover 50% of the deductible. This change would save around \$15,000. The AB20 Plan would still be available, but the SAU would only cover the equivalent cost of the ABSOS\$1KDED plan.

Mr. Hanson moved, seconded by Mr. Porter-Zuckerman, to approve the SAU #2 Budget as presented in the amount of \$1,476,587 for the December 10, 2024 Public Hearing.

The motion carried 10-0.

VII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

**A. Members of the SAU #2 Board**

None.

**B. Members of the Administration**

Mrs. Moriarty reported that all schools in SAU #2 are considered in good standing for federal accountability.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – *Closed at 6:39 p.m.*

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A. Tuesday, December 3, 2024**

Ashland School Board @ Ashland Elementary School – Heffernan Media Center

- Ashland School Board Regular Meeting – **5:00 p.m.**

**B. Tuesday, December 10, 2024**

SAU #2 Board @ Humiston Building – Conference Room

- SAU #2 Public Hearing – **5:00 p.m.**

Inter-Lakes School Board @ Humiston Building – Conference Room

- Inter-Lakes School Board Regular Meeting – **5:30 p.m.**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Porter-Zuckerman moved, seconded by Mr. Locke, to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

The motion carried 10-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Heather Bullimore, Recording Secretary*