

**GOVERNOR WENTWORTH REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
KINGSWOOD ARTS CENTER
FEBRUARY 17, 2021**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Governor Wentworth Regional School Board meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm.

Members Present: Krista Abear, Timothy Eldridge, Wendi Fenderson, James Pittman, Charlene Seibel (remote attendee), Dana Streeter, John Widmer

Excused: Julianne Cardinal, Dr. James Manning

Also present: Superintendent Kathleen Cuddy-Egbert, Assistant Superintendent Heather Cummings, WCTV and Scott Geissler

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. AGENDA REVIEW

No changes

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Motion: To accept the minutes of the February 8, 2021 Academic Affairs Committee meeting as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Ms. Fenderson

Vote: Motion carried on a roll call vote 4-0-0 (Ms. Abear, Mr. Eldridge, Ms. Fenderson, Ms. Seibel)

Motion: To accept the minutes of the February 8, 2021 School Board meeting as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Ms. Fenderson

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

V. SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021-2022

Ms. Cuddy-Egbert presented a revised school calendar. She said the Department of Education's (DOE) model calendar reflected the same winter recess as Massachusetts so NH Districts are using a different week. This is the reason for the change.

Motion: To give the Superintendent the discretion to call one no school day contingent on the weather; on a day where students will be able to play outside in fresh snow.

Moved: Mr. Pittman – **Seconded:** Mr. Eldridge

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

Motion: To approve the revised 2021-2022 school calendar as presented.

Moved: Mr. Pittman – **Seconded:** Mr. Eldridge

Discussion: 180 day calendar versus counting hours and ending earlier in June.

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs

Ms. Fenderson brought the following policies to the Board for approval: Policy BEA, Board Meetings; Policy GCG, Part time and Substitute Staff; Policy JLDB, Suicide Prevention and Response; Policy EBBCF, Temporary Emergency Policy: Travel Guidance for Employees/Essential and Non-Essential At-Risk Personal Travel and Policy EBCF,

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Pandemic/Epidemic Emergencies. Policy BEDH, Public Participation at Board Meetings was presented for a first read.

Motion: To approve Policy BEA, Board Meetings as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Ms. Abear

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

Motion: To approve Policy GCG, Part time and Substitute Staff and Regulations GCG-R, Guidelines for Hiring Substitute Professional Staff and GCG-R2, Substitute Rate of Pay as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Mr. Pittman

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

Motion: To approve Policy JLDB, Suicide Prevention and Response as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Mr. Streeter

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

Motion: To approve Policy EBBCF, Temporary Emergency Policy: Travel Guidance for Employees/Essential and non-Essential At-Risk Personal Travel as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Mr. Pittman

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

Motion: To approve Policy EBCF, Pandemic/Epidemic Emergencies as presented.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Mr. Pittman

Vote: Motion carried 7-0-0 on a roll call vote

VII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Motion: At 7:32 pm a motion was made to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II to discuss a legal matter.

Moved: Mr. Pittman – **Seconded:** Mr. Eldridge

Vote: It was a unanimous roll call vote.

Ms. Cuddy-Egbert updated the Board on a legal matter.

Motion: 7:55 pm a motion was made to end non-public session.

Moved: Ms. Abear – **Seconded:** Mr. Eldridge

Vote: It was a unanimous roll call vote.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 7:55 pm a motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Moved: Mr. Eldridge – **Seconded:** Mr. Pittman

Vote: It was a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



School Board Secretary

Approved by School Board 03.08.21