

INTER-LAKES SCHOOL DISTRICT
Inter-Lakes School Board Regular Meeting
Humiston Building Conference Room
103 Main Street, Suite #2, Meredith, NH
January 14, 2020

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Richard Hanson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. RECORD ROLL

Members Present:

Mr. Richard Hanson, Chair
Mr. Howard Cunningham
Mr. Mark Billings
Mr. Charley Hanson
Mr. Duncan Porter-Zuckerman
Ms. Raven Strother, Student Rep.

Administrators Present:

Mrs. Mary Moriarty, Superintendent
Mrs. Trish Temperino, Asst. Superintendent
Mrs. Elaine Dodge, Director of Student Services
Mr. Scott Currier, Principal ILM/HS

Members Absent:

Mr. Craig Baker (with notice)
Ms. Lisa Merrill (with notice)

Others Present:

Mr. Joshua McLeod, ILM/HS Teacher
Mr. Chris Mega (videotaping)

IV. PUBLIC INPUT None

V. MINUTES

A. Regular Board Meeting – December 10, 2019

Mr. C. Hanson moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. CURRENT BILLS PAYABLE

A. General Operating Expenses

Mr. Porter-Zuckerman moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, to approve the payment of bills, manifest #3015. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT/ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A. Enrollment

Student population District-wide has declined by 8 students over the prior month.

B. Financial Report

Assistant Superintendent Temperino reported 98.65% of the budget has been spent or encumbered to date. She is continuing to closely monitor the Special Education and Facilities Budgets. Unanticipated expenses have resulted in the Special Education Budget being overspend by \$165,965 and the Facilities Budget overspend by \$156,000. Factors impacting the overspending are a special

education placement, reductions in IDEA Grant funding, and security measure improvements in the entryways to the schools.

C. Transportation Ridership Update

School Bus ridership has remained relatively stable since the start of the school year. Average morning ridership has declined from 400 to 359; and afternoon ridership from 480 to 435. Hiring bus drivers remains difficult, transportation costs could rise if the transportation company increases wages to recruit employees.

D. Hiring Update for Inter-Lakes Elementary School Principal

Sixteen candidates applied for the Principal position, ten participated in the screening interview with administrators. That field was then narrowed to three candidates who will come before the Hiring/Feedback Committee comprised of teachers, para-educators and parents who will be meeting on January 15th to decide which candidates will advance to a meet and greet with the public on January 27th at Inter-Lakes Elementary School at 5:30 p.m. The finalists will again be interviewed by the Superintendent by January 31st and a nomination will be presented to the School Board on February 10th.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE – Superintendent, Board Secretary, Board Members

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Inter-Lakes Middle/High School Program of Studies

Mr. Billings moved, seconded by Mr. C. Hanson, to approve the 2020-2021 Inter-Lakes Middle/High School Program of Studies as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2020-2021 Budget, Schedule for Distribution of Budget Materials and Budget Meetings.

B. Proposed Co-Curricular Club – Esports Club at Inter-Lakes Middle High School

Principal Currier and Social Studies Teacher Joshua McLeod presented a proposal to create an Esports Club as a new after school co-curricular activity. With the addition of an Esports team at Inter-Lakes, students can develop discipline, patience and sportsmanship in a structured program that may help attract kids who feel disenfranchised by some aspects of school.

Colleges have already started building their own programs and even offer scholarships for Esports. No funding would be budgeted for the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school year. A season pass for a student to compete cost \$64. The game "Rocket League" being offered to high school students for competition purposes is rated "E" for everyone and involves playing soccer with rocket powered cars.

C. New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Grant

On December 9, 2019 the district was notified by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation that a \$25,000 grant had been approved from the Meredith Village Savings Bank Fund to the Inter-Lakes School Robotics Team to purchase manufacturing equipment and parts for the robot/solution.

D. Donations

Mr. Porter-Zuckerman moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, to gratefully accept the following donations:

- \$4,269.00 from the GERALYNN FOUNTAIN FOUNDATION, to support the Naturalist in the Classroom at Inter-Lakes Elementary School.
- \$500.00 from Lakes Region Dancing with the Stars, to support the Inter-Lakes High School Interact Club.
- \$4,000.00 from Meadowbrook Performing Arts Charitable Foundation to support the Inter-Lakes High School Band and Chorus.

The motion carried unanimously.

XI. POLICY

A. Second/Final Reading

1. Policy #4154, Ethics

Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. C. Hanson, the Board approve the second and final reading of Policy #4154, Ethics as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Policy #5145, Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect

Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. Porter-Zuckerman, the Board approve the second and final reading of Policy #5145, Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

B. First Reading

1. Policy #5124, Confidentiality

Mr. Billings moved, seconded by Mr. C. Hanson, the Board approve first reading of Policy #5124, Confidentiality as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Policy #5150, Notification of Rights Under FERPA

Mr. Billings moved, seconded by Mr. C. Hanson, the Board approve first reading of Policy #5150, Notification of Rights Under FERPA, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Policy #6114, Emergencies/Fire Drills

Mr. C. Hanson moved, seconded by Mr. Billings, the Board approve first reading of Policy #6114, Emergencies/Fire Drills, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Policy #3546 / #5154, Student Records and Other Record Retention

Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. C. Hanson, the Board approve first reading of Policy #3546 / #5154, Student Records and Other Record Retention, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

XII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

A. Members of the Board None

B. Members of the Administration None

XIII. PUBLIC INPUT None

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Tuesday, January 21, 2020 – Humiston Building Conference Room**
Inter-Lakes School Board - Budget Work Session @ **4:30 p.m.**
- B. Thursday, January 23, 2020 – Humiston Building Conference Room**
Inter-Lakes School Board – Budget Works Session @ **5:00 p.m.**
- C. Monday, January 27, 2020 – Inter-Lakes Elementary School (Room TBA)**
Meet & Greet Inter-Lakes Elementary School Principal Candidates – **5:30 p.m.**
- D. Tuesday, January 28, 2020 – Inter-Lakes Middle/High School Auditorium**
Inter-Lakes Special School Board Meeting – **6:00 p.m.**
- Learning Series Part 3 – Grading Practices; Reporting Learner Progress; Recognition
- E. Thursday, January 30, 2020 – Inter-Lakes Elementary School**
SNOW DATE For Meet & Greet Inter-Lakes Elementary Principal Candidates – **5:30 p.m.**
- F. Wednesday, February 5, 2020**
Inter-Lakes School Board @ Inter-Lakes High School Auditorium
- Budget Public Hearing – **6:00 p.m.**
- G. Wednesday, March 4, 2020**
Inter-Lakes School Board @ Inter-Lakes High School Gymnasium
- Annual School District Meeting – **7:00 p.m.**
- H. Tuesday, March 10, 2020 – Town Elections / Voting**

XV. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Student/Staff Personnel, R.S.A. 91-A:3 II(a)(c)€

At 6:53 p.m. Ms. Billings moved, seconded by Mr. Porter-Zuckerman, to move into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(a)(c). The Vice-Chair polled the Board in the absence of the Board Secretary. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Session

Mr. Billings moved, seconded by Mr. C. Hanson, the Board return to Public Session at 8:04 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Hanson adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bea Lewis Wheeler
School District Clerk