Monadnock Regional School District Extra-Curricular Committee Meeting Minutes April 13, 2023 SAU Conference Room/Zoom Meeting Swanzey, NH

Members Present: Eric Stanley, Jeff Cesaitis and Dan LeClair

Also Present: L. Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary.

- 1. Election of Chair: MOTION: J. Cesaitis MOVED to nominate E. Stanley as the Chair of the ECC. SECOND: E. Stanley. VOTE: Unanimous for those present. Motion passes.
- **2. Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
- **3.** Approval of the ECC Meeting Minutes: MOTION: E. Stanley MOVED to approve the February 15, 2023 ECC Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** J. Cesaitis **VOTE:** E. Stanley-yes and J. Cesaitis-abstain. **Motion passes.**

4. New Business:

- **a. Review Charter:** The committee reviewed the Charter and would like to forward it to the full Board with no edits.
- Review Goals: The committee reviewed and discussed the goals. The committee discussed stipends. E. Stanley explained we have the stipend comparisons from area schools. Not every club leader receives a stipend. J. Cesaitis would like a list of the stipends. It was asked if the pay was the driving factor for the sports or is it the clubs. S. Peters had mentioned the softball field to E. Stanley. E. Stanley was not sure how S. Peters would like this committee to approach it. E. Stanley contacted S. Peters. It was in regards to sponsorship and branding with companies and possibly dedicating the field. The committee was disappointed about not having the ECC Fair in the Fall or Spring. One goal we have had was to increase participation in extracurricular activities. E. Stanley mentioned that the school does not advertise the clubs and sports. The committee would like to have a meeting with the leaders of the clubs and sports and get information to the 8th graders. J. Cesaitis suggested a freshmen orientation day. J. Cesaitis would suggest a trifold flier to inform the parents about the clubs and sports. He also suggested handing out information at parent/teacher conferences. The committee commented on the grades required for sports participation and would like to review them. E. Stanley suggested getting a group within the school to increase participation. The committee came up with the following goals:

- 1) Increase participation in school extracurricular
 - a. Fall Extracurricular Fair
 - b. Freshmen Orientation Day
 - c. Meeting with Leaders of Extracurricular Groups
- 2) Look into Sponsorship/Branding for new softball field, other fields and gym
 - a. Does an attorney need to be consulted
 - b. Ideas
 - c. How?
- 3) Review and Make Recommendations to Board on Stipends. **MOTION:** D. LeClair **MOVED** to present the Goals to the full Board for approval. **SECOND:** J. Cesaitis. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes. MOTION:** E. Stanley **MOVED** to present the Charter as currently composed to the full Board for approval. **SECOND:** D. LeClair. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

5. Old Business:

- **a. Afterschool Program:** F. Ashworth is not in attendance tonight.
- **b. Expanding Extracurricular participation:** This was already discussed earlier in the meeting.
- c. Stipends-Review new info from J. Rathbun (Conant, Keene, Mascoma, Past Spreadsheet): The committee would like to review the stipends and find out how many students participate, how often the groups meet and what groups are still running among other things. The committee will gather what information they have. It was suggested to have J. Rathbun and L. Spencer share their stipend information.
- **d. Non-Sports Hall of Fame:** E. Stanley explained the committee discussed this with the Student Government. He asked this committee if they wanted to pursue this.
- e. Art Scholarship: The committee explained that this was discussed with the Student Government. Currently there is no criteria. It was suggested that the kids need to apply for the Art Scholarship. They can do any form of art. E.Stanley suggested meeting with the dept. heads for a discussion. D. LeClair loves the idea. The committee would like the dept.heads to help and make recommendations. Regarding the scholarship they are not sure. The Board can not do a scholarship but a company could. The committee will email the dept. heads.
 - **f. Upcoming Facility Projects:** The softball field was discussed.

- **6. Second Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
- 7. Setting next meeting date and agenda: The committee will meet on May 11, 2023.
- **8. Motion to Adjourn: MOTION:** J. Cesaitis **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 PM. **SECOND:** D. LeClair **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Aivaliotis
Recording Secretary