

RSU #63 Board Meeting
Date: August 28, 2023
Location: Holbrook Middle School
Minutes

RSU #63 Board Member(s) Present:

Town of Holden: Amy Hart, Tracy Roberts, Matthew Campbell, and Heather Lander

Town of Eddington: Heather Grass, Tracy Bigney, and Rachel Downs

Town of Clifton: Linda Graban

Board Chair, Tracy Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:43pm followed by the flag salute and moment of silence.

At 6:44pm, motion by Tracy Bigney with a second by Linda Graban to enter into executive session for discussion of contract negotiations pursuant to 1 MRSA section 405(6)(D).

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Heather Lander, Yes; Rachel Downs, Yes; Linda Graban, Yes; Heather Grass, Yes; Amy Hart, Yes; Tracy Roberts, Yes; Matthew Campbell, Yes; Tracy Bigney, Yes.

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Public session resumed at 7:51pm.

Motion by Linda Graban with a second by Tracy Bigney to approve the three-year administrative contract for RSU 63 Business Manager, Kelly Theriault with a salary as recommended by the Superintendent.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Motion by Tracy Bigney with a second by Heather Grass to approve the one-year administrative contract for Elementary Schools Principal, Donald Spencer with a salary as recommended by the Superintendent.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Motion by Tracy Bigney with a second by Heather Lander to approve the three-year administrative contract for Elementary Schools Assistant Principal, Timothy Baker with a salary as recommended by the Superintendent.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Motion by Matthew Campbell with a second by Rachel Downs to approve the three-year administrative contract for Middle School Principal, Robert Meyer with a salary as recommended by the Superintendent.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Yes; 2 Opposed (Linda Graban and Heather Grass)

Motion by Matthew Campbell with a second by Tracy Bigney to approve the one-year contract for RSU 63 Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Shelley Wyman with a salary as recommended by the Superintendent.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Superintendent Fulgoni pointed out that the Board approved Ms. Wyman for a one-year contract to determine if an hourly contract or salary contract is more beneficial for this position. The Board has full confidence in Ms. Wyman's ability and job performance.

Motion by Tracy Bigney with a second by Linda Graban to approve the June 26, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Recognition and/or Awards of Students, Staff, and Others: Superintendent Fulgoni recognized the following staff for their length of service. 5 years: Deborah Nadeau, Inez Laverdiere, Ryan Porter. 10 years: Kelly Theriault.

15 years: Amy Faulkner and Keith Kennedy. 35 years: Donald Spencer. Superintendent Fulgoni also recognized the new administrators, Kristina Dumond, Carolyn Brown, Zachary Chenier, and Ryan Porter.

Acceptance of Gifts/Donations: None

Presentation: None

Questions from the Public: None

Dates of Next Meetings:

Budget and Finance Committee Meeting: TBD

Policy Committee Meeting: TBD

Curriculum Committee: TBD

Board Workshop: September 25, 2023 at 5:30pm, Holden Elementary School

Board Meeting: September 25, 2023 at 6:30pm, Holden Elementary School

Budget and Finance: Kelly Theriault advised Budget and Finance Committee just met prior to the Board Meeting. They recommend the Board accept the bid from Van Sykle for a 2019 Grand Caravan with 42,000 miles. Funds will be used from ESSER III.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Fulgoni acknowledged how hard staff worked over the summer getting the buildings ready, new staff onboarded, and transportation arranged with many obstacles to overcome. He added that transportation will look different for a few weeks until all drivers have returned and hopefully a few more hired.

Acceptance of Reports:

Motion by Tracy Bigney with a second by Heather Lander to accept all written and verbal reports from the Budget and Finance Committee, Administrators, and Superintendent.

Discussion: Tracy Bigney stated she found the reports to be very helpful. Tracy Roberts added she found the Curriculum report to also be very helpful. Discussion took place on the curriculum training. Superintendent Fulgoni recommended to have Kristina Dumond present at the next Board Meeting.

Vote: 6 Yes; 2 Opposed (Linda Graban and Heather Grass)

Old Business: None

New Business:

Revised COVID Safe Return to School Plan: Motion by Linda Graban with a second by Tracy Bigney to approve the Revised COVID Safe Return to School Plan as amended.

Discussion: Kelly Theriault advised this plan will need to be reviewed and approved every 6 months.

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

RSU 63 Support Staff Handbook: Motion by Linda Graban with a second by Heather Grass to approve the RSU 63 Support Staff Handbook as amended.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Motion by Linda Graban with a second by Heather Grass to extend the meeting past 8:30pm.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Holbrook Boiler Bid: Motion by Matthew Campbell with a second by Heather Grass to approve the amended Holbrook Boiler Bid from ABM Mechanical in the amount of \$647,000.

Discussion: Kelly Theriault advised Carpenter Associates handled the bid process for us. The bids came back much higher than anticipated.

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Van Purchase: Motion by Linda Graban with a second by Tracy Bigney to accept the proposal from Van Sykle to purchase a 2019 Grand Caravan with 42,000 miles.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Personnel Actions:

Resignations/Retirements: Brandy Walsh, Art Teacher; Peter Walsh, Math Teacher; Nikki Goss, Math Teacher; Dan Duran, Ed Tech III; and Cindy Smith, Bus Driver.

Elections:

Motion by Tracy Bigney with a second by Rachel Downs to approve the election of Carolyn Brown, RSU 63 Special Services Director; Cassidy Seip, Grade 5 Teacher; Kasey Gray, Grade 6/7ELA Teacher; Kaitlyn Helfen, Grade 5 Teacher; Kimberly Karam, Speech Language Pathologist; Stephen Inman, Eddington Custodian; Alison Blais, .7FTE Teacher/.3FTE Ed Tech; David Pearson, Ed Tech III; Gayle Peirce, Library Media Specialist; Kathleen Greenlaw, Art Teacher; Eric Kimball, Holbrook Custodian; Zachary Chenier, Transportation Coordinator/Bus Driver; Bernadene Brownell, .5FTE Math Teacher/Coach; and Lauren Swalec, 7/8 Math Teacher.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Appointments: None

Reassignment: None

Searches: Ed Tech, Bus Drivers, Anticipated Coed B Team Soccer Coach, Chess Coach, and Substitutes.

Adjournment:

At 8:45pm, motion by Linda Graban with a second by Rachel Downs to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 Yes; 0 Opposed

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jared Fulgoni', written in black ink on a light blue background.

Jared Fulgoni
RSU 63 Superintendent of Schools

Approved: September 25, 2023