Monadnock Regional School District Community Relations Committee Meeting May 22, 2025 SAU Conference Room, Swanzey, NH

Members Present: Eric Stanley and Hannah Blood. Absent: Jeff Cesaitis

1. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

2. Approval of the April 15, 2025 CRC Meeting Minutes: The minutes were not available for viewing. The committee will vote at the next meeting.

3. Goal #1: Communication of the Budget Process to the Community:

a. Extra Surplus: The committee would like to communicate to the public why there is a surplus, in what areas and the exact amount.

i. Discuss with J. Morin the surplus amount and how to communicate that information to the taxpayers. Are there surplus funds going back to the taxpayers, why is there a surplus and is the amount typical?

ii. Discuss with J. Rathbun and L.Spencer the class requirements: how many regular ed. classes are required by the State, what is an elective and what are the barebone minimum requirements from the State. What are the diploma requirements?

iii. Discuss the Budget Drivers with J. Rathbun and J. Morin.

b. Cost per Student and Student/teacher ratio: The committee would like to know how this is figured in this district versus the NH DOE. The number of paras in each school. Are there State requirements that would impact the student/teacher ratio?

c. Key Dates and Public Meetings: Budget information meetings, January Public Hearing as well as coordinating with the Fin/Fac Committee.

d. Default Budget: What is the default budget, how is it determined and the budget drivers as they pertain to the default?

4. Goal #2: Determine Social Media:

a. How does the CRC communicate with the public/district:

- **i.** District pages
- **ii.** Create new School Board specific or CRC specific pages.
 - **a.** Is this legal or best practice?

Iii. b. How do we get detailed information for families such as PSAT? Is this guidance or is this from the administration?

The committee would like to ask S. Peters to put the CRC on the next agenda.

5. Goal #3: Husky Pride:

a. During the summer contact coaches and extracurricular advisors to prepare for events of the upcoming Fall Season.

- **b.** Band Night
- **c.** Arts and creative night
- **d.** Science and Engineering Night
- e. Husky Pride in the individual schools and district. How do we continue to grow?

- 6. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
- 7. Next Agenda: TBD

8. Motion to adjourn: MOTION: E. Stanley MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM. SECOND: H. Blood VOTE: Unanimous for those present. Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

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