

**SAU #2 Board Meeting
Ashland Elementary School – Conference Room
16 Education Drive, Ashland, NH
November 18, 2025 @ 5:00 PM**

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER
Superintendent Moriarty called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. RECORD ROLL

Members Present:

Mrs. Sandra Coleman
Ms. Siobhán Connelly
Mr. Duncan Porter-Zuckerman
Mr. Jesse Farris
Mrs. Jennifer Foote
Mr. Stephen Felton
Mr. Abe Garon
Mr. Charley Hanson (arrived at 5:06 p.m. with notice)
Mr. Stephen Heath
Mrs. Nancy Starmer (Remote)
Mr. Edward Twaddell III

Members Absent With Notice:

Mr. Jim Locke

Administrators Present:

Mrs. Mary Moriarty, Superintendent
Mrs. Ashley Dolloff, Business Administrator

Others Present:

Liv Foote

- IV. *PUBLIC COMMENT OPENED AT 5:02 p.m.*
- V. REORGANIZATION OF SAU #2 BOARD.

A. Chair of SAU #2 Board

Mrs. Moriarty requested nominations for SAU Chair. Mrs. Starmer nominated Mr. Porter-Zuckerman; Mr. Heath seconded the nomination. Mrs. Moriarty asked if there were additional nominations as no additional nominations were provided Mrs. Moriarty requested the SAU Board vote on the nomination of Mr. Porter-Zuckerman for SAU Chair, which passed unanimously.

B. Vice-Chair of SAU #2 Board

Mr. Porter-Zuckerman's election to the SAU Chair position created a vacancy for the SAU Vice-Chair position. Mr. Porter-Zuckerman requested nominations for Vice-Chair; Mr. Heath nominated Mrs. Foote; Ms. Connelly seconded. Chair Porter-Zuckerman asked if there were any additional nominations as no additional nominations were provided Mr. Porter-Zuckerman requested the SAU Board vote on the nomination of Mrs. Foote for SAU Vice-Chair, which passed unanimously.

C. Secretary of SAU #2 Board

Mrs. Foote's election to the SAU Vice-Chair position created a vacancy for the SAU Secretary position. Mr. Porter-Zuckerman requested nominations for Secretary; Mr. Garon nominated Ms. Connelly; Mrs. Foote seconded. Chair Porter-Zuckerman asked if there were any additional nominations as no additional nominations were provided Mr. Porter-Zuckerman requested the SAU Board vote on the nomination of Ms. Foote for SAU Secretary, which passed unanimously.

VI. MINUTES**A. May 20, 2025 SAU 2 Board Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Twaddell III moved, seconded by Mr. Garon to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2025 Board Meeting.

The motion carried 8 – 0 – 3. Mr. Garon, Mr. Farris, and Ms. Connelly abstained.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORT**A. 2024/2025 End-of-Year Financial Report**

Mrs. Dolloff reviewed the 2024/2025 Financial Report.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS**A. 2026/2027 Budget Work Session**

Mrs. Moriarty and Mrs. Dolloff presented the 2026/2027 SAU Budget. Health Insurance has increased by 13.8% and Dental Insurance by 4.4%. Salary increases for all SAU personnel excluding the superintendent were presented with a 4% increase; the superintendent at 3%. Overall, the budget has increased by 4.22% or \$60,207 from last year's adopted total general fund. The use of fund equity in the amount of \$60,207 to offset the 2026/2027 budget was proposed as a means of reducing the impact on each school district's budget. A draft 2026/2027 budget assessment allocation was presented with Ashland at 11.355% of the assessment and Inter-Lakes at 88.645% of the assessment. Chair Porter-Zuckerman encouraged the SAU Board to reach out to the administration with any questions prior to the December 9th SAU Budget Public Hearing and meeting.

IX. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS/COMMUNICAITONS**A. Members of the SAU #2 Board**

None.

B. Members of the Administration

While public comment remained open for a short period of time, discussion ensued regarding strategic planning and the SAU.

X. *PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED AT 5:40 p.m.*

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Tuesday, December 2, 2025

Ashland School Board Regular Meeting @ Ashland Elementary School –
Heffernan Media Center – **5:00 p.m.**

B. Tuesday, December 9, 2025

SAU #2 Board @ Humiston Building, Meredith – Conference Room

SAU #2 Board Regular Meeting – Budget Public Hearing – **5:00 p.m.**

Inter-Lakes School Board Regular Meeting - Immediately following SAU #2
Meeting; Humiston Building, Meredith, Conference Room

Ashland School Board Special Meeting – Immediately following SAU #2 Meeting;
Humiston Building, Meredith.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Twaddell III moved, seconded by Mr. Felton, to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

The motion carried 11 – 0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Briggs, Recording Secretary