

JACKSON SCHOOL BOARD
April 16, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.
WHITNEY COMMUNITY CENTER
Draft Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Kevin Richard. Present are: Jerome Dougherty, Jessica DellaValla, Genn Anzaldi, Keith Bradley, Kate Fournier, Kevin Richard – Superintendent. Gayle Dembowski – Principal, is absent.

Reorganization of Board

Election of Chairman – Ms. Anzaldi nominated Mr. Dougherty, Ms. DellaValla seconded
4-0-0

Election of Vice-chairman – Mr. Bradley nominated Ms. Anzaldi, Mr. Dougherty seconded. **4-0-0**

Set Meeting Dates and Time – 3rd Monday 6 pm at Whitney Center will continue

Adopt Rules of Order/Agenda Format – We follow Roberts Rules of Order, chair can vote

Committee Assignments – Committees will be reviewed at the next meeting (5:40 pm)

Manifests – everyone can sign

2. Ms. Anzaldi made a motion to approve the minutes of the 3-1-18 meeting, Mr. Bradley seconded. APPROVED **5-0-0**. Mr. Dougherty welcomed Ms. Fournier to the Board.
3. Citizen Comments – Priscilla made a presentation about civics. Last meeting she raised the discussion of school safety. The schools covered marches and women's rights. School safety is still not solved. School walkouts were called civics. Remember what is meant by NH first. Civics is learning what is meant by "Live Free or Die". Civics is learning about our rights and how we must protect our rights. I want them to learn about real civics. Civil engagement begins with the facts. Historical facts are the framework for our safety. Knowing their rights is civics.
4. Presentation of School Programs/FYI ITEMS – school programs – spoke with Principal Dembowski and Ms. Heysler – they have been very active at locating funding for the project.

5. Old Business

A. Early Childhood Education – As a Board we have to decide how to move this forward. A May meeting may be scheduled as a listening post hybrid to hash this out. There is still some discussion and input that needs to be had. Mr. Bradley has concerns that the Board may have had some discussions. There have not been any group discussions. Possibly meeting on May 8 – from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Ms. DellaValla would like Mr. Bradley to chair that committee. Sarah Clemons would like some of the preschool information to be available at the post office or town office. A binder has been started at the library. She would also like it on E-news more than once. Micah? – a history may be helpful. Ms. DellaValla spoke about the timeline that has been kept. Emily has a

vision that she would like to share for this. Priscilla wonders why it needed a vote when it could have just been started as a program where folks could pay, rather than ask for \$100,000 at the start. The School Board acknowledges that there was a tied vote, and they will be readdressing that.

Priscilla is concerned that the Board has no feedback about her civic presentation.

B. Pavilion Update –

C. KHS Program of Studies – start some preliminary discussions on contracts? Joint meeting with Bartlett on May 1. We should have topics for discussion at that meeting, preschool, program of studies, contract – have discussions with other sending towns, look at common committees. Mr. Grant - This meeting will be a one hour meeting.

5. Instructional Issues

6. Consider Personnel Actions

A. Election of John Valk as Half-time Custodian – GA made a motion to approve, Ms. DellaValla seconded. Mr. Bradley states that he is fantastic. **5-0-0**

B. FYI - Appointment of Sonya Porter as Long-term Substitute Teacher. Mr. Dougherty thanks Ms. Porter for continuing to step up.

C. Election of Personnel for 2018-19 – These will be approved as one item. Mr. Bradley made a motion to approve as presented, Ms. Anzaldi seconded. **5-0-0**

D. Extension of Principal's Contract –GA motion to approve, KB seconded. **5-0-0**

8. Business Affairs

A. 2017-18 Budget Status Report – no estimate on surplus

9. Administrators' Reports

A. Superintendent – Mr. Richard invited Ms. Fournier to the SAU 9 office for a presentation. SAU 9 Board meeting on the 26th, Executive Board at 5:30. Joe Riddensdale will be doing the presentation about the camps that are offered. Bartlett Jackson Joint meeting – check the committees to see what would make sense if coordinated. March 19th Mr. Richard attended Family Night here. The presentation that was done at the Whitney Center by the 4th, 5th and 6th grades was impressive. The topic was “Decades”. The Pavilion Project was mentioned.

1. FYI – 2018-19 School Calendar – Mr. Bradley would like to push for hours instead of days.

B. Principal – no report

10. Citizen Comments – Sarah Clemons – we no longer have Channel 3 to watch the meetings. Is there any chance that there are funds to make this happen? We miss a lot by not seeing these. Our children go to Bartlett and to Conway. Mr. Dougherty agrees, but feels that it is a town issue, as does Mr. Bradley.

Ms. Clemons asks that it be advertised on E-News so everyone will know. On the SAU 9 website there is a calendar. Mr. Grant would like to have video at the joint meeting. Mr. Dougherty will speak to Ms. Garland about this.

Susan commends John Stokey and Sonya Porter. Mr. Dougherty commended Mr. Stokey as well. The conditions of the property have been well maintained this year.

11. Board Member Issues -- Board Discussion/Committee Reports – Mr. Bradley spoke about custodian hiring. He feels that there should be a discussion about what we should do with this moving forward. How do we create stability in this position? Discussions with Bartlett? Mr. Bradley thought that we were done with Blizzard Bags. We are allowed to have five, but then we went for three. Another was used today. Mr. Bradley thought there had been a policy of two. He feels that we should have more discussion about this when we talk about hours vs. days. Check with Ms. Dembowski to see how effective they have been.

A. Set Date for Next Meeting (May 21, 2018 – 5:30 p.m.)

B. Bartlett/Jackson Joint Boards meet on May 1, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in Bartlett

12. Signing of Manifest

13. Mr. Dougherty made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm, Ms. Anzaldi seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Donaldson
Recording Secretary