



SAU 35 Full Board Public Meeting

DATE: June 4th, 2024

Meeting Location – Lisbon Regional School, Lisbon, NH 03585

Meeting Time – 5:30 pm

Present:

SAU: Superintendent Kate Segal, Business Administrator Toni Butterfield, Clerk Rhiannon Copithorne

Bethlehem: Robert Weir, James Noyes, Sarah Storella, Margaret Hocking, Jennifer Lucus

Lafayette: Joseph Garrison, Michael Rhodes

Landaff: Matthew Copithorne, John Barth, Michelle Beaudin (5:45 pm)

Lisbon: Robert Adams, Brian Hubbard, Scott Peterson, Cathy Colby (6:26 pm)

Profile: Adam Boyer, Timothy Burger, Andrea Price

I. Call to Order

CHAIRMAN BOB WEIR CALLED THE FULL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:37 PM.

II. Roll Call

Roll call taken of SAU 35 School Board Members, 15 members attended from the start and 2 more joined during the meeting.

III. Approval of the Minutes of the December 5th, 2023 Meeting

MOTION MADE BY MATTHEW COPITHORNE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FULL BOARD PUBLIC MEETING ON DECEMBER 5TH 2023, SECONDED BY JAMES NOYES. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

IV. Approval for the Executive Board to act on behalf of SAU 35 School Board Members until the next semi-annual SAU 35 Full Board Meeting

Firstly, the Chair and Vice Chair of the Executive Board needed to be selected:

MOTION MADE BY JAMES NOYES TO NOMINATE BOB WEIR AS CHAIR FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, SECONDED BY JOSEPH GARRISON. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY JAMES NOYES TO NOMINATE ADAM BOYER AS VICE CHAIR FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, SECONDED BY MARGARET HOCKING. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY JAMES NOYES TO APPROVE FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TO ACT ON BEHALF OF SAU 35 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS UNTIL THE NEXT SEMI-ANNUAL SAU 35 FULL BOARD MEETING, SECONDED BY TIM BURGER. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

V. Superintendent's Report

Kate Segal presented her report and there were no questions or comments from the board members.

VI. Business Manager's Report

Toni Butterfield expects the ending balance to be between \$50,000 and \$52,000 even with the high audit bills.

Bob Weir asked about the new position and whether it had been posted yet. Toni Butterfield confirmed that it has but not for long and there is some external interest but they are still working on what is needed for this position.

Toni Butterfield also wanted to give a huge "thank you" to Presby for doing the work on the new office space at the small school discounted rate. Presby is also installing air conditioning at their expense.

VII. Non Public Session as per RSA 91A:3. I, II, if needed

MOTION MADE BY MATTHEW COPITHORNE TO ENTER NON-PUBLIC SESSION, SECONDED BY JAMES NOYES. BY ROLL CALL, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED TO ENTER NON-PUBLIC AT 6:04 PM

MOTION MADE BY JAMES NOYES TO LEAVE NON-PUBLIC SESSION, SECONDED BY MATTHEW COPITHORNE. BY ROLL CALL, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED TO RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION AT 7:38 PM

VIII. Other Business

Kate Segal requested a discussion regarding her mentor for the past year. Kate Segal mentioned that her mentor knows that we have a young set of principals and that he consults and provides professional development but if anyone is not comfortable with this then she will let him know.

Bob Weir stated that he felt it was a conflict since he is Kate's mentor and that there was a lack of discussion with the boards about this.

Matthew Copithorne voiced his concerns that this is a huge conflict, in his opinion this is a poor choice since synergies are very important in coaching and mentoring. Matthew Copithorne also stated that he felt Kate Segal made the decision without any involvement from the boards.

Kate Segal confirmed that she would take her mentor off the table and work with Mike Kelly about doing professional development. Bob Weir believes that this is a function of the Superintendent's position.

Kate Segal suggested moving this meeting to May going forward as there are potentially less conflicts in May than June. She also mentioned that previously it was held in May.

MOTION MADE BY MATTHEW COPITHORNE TO HOLD THE FULL BOARD MEETINGS ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF MAY AND DECEMBER, SECONDED BY TIMOTHY BURGER. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

IX. Adjournment

MOTION MADE BY MATTHEW COPITHORNE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:38 PM, SECONDED BY MICHELLE BEAUDIN. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Next Full Board Meeting: December 4th, 2024 .

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