

PORTSMOUTH SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 10, 2015

EILEEN M. FOLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

PORTSMOUTH, NH

DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2015

TIME: 7:00 PM [or thereafter]

NOTICE OF NON- PUBLIC MEETING: THE SCHOOL BOARD WILL HOLD A NON- PUBLIC MEETING AT 6:45 P.M., IN ACCORDANCE WITH RSA 91-A: 3 II c. IN THE SCHOOL BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

- I. **CALL TO ORDER-** School Board Chair Leslie Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL-** Chair Leslie Stevens, Ann Walker, Nancy Clayburgh, Patrick Ellis, Ann Mayer, Jeff Landry, Tom Martin, Lennie Mullaney, Superintendent Stephen Zdravec, Assistant Superintendent George Shea, Business Administrator Steve Bartlett, Teacher Representative Olin Johannesen
- III. **INVOCATION**
- IV. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- V. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
 - a. **OCTOBER 27, REGULAR MEETING**

MOTION: Motion to accept the public minutes of October 27, 2015 by Ms. Clayburgh

SECOND: Ms. Walker

DISCUSSION: Correction needed to Roll Call (add Jeff Landry & Tom Martin)

VOTE: Unanimously approved
- VI. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- VII. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**
 - a. **SBAC RESULTS UPDATE-** Mr. Shea provided an early look at some of the data/results from SBAC. A formal release will be given on Thursday and student reports are being sent home on Friday. Mr. Shea is offering Parent Information Sessions beginning on November 16.

Discussion/ Questions followed: Is there a way to tell if data veered up or down? Does it do a better job measuring students? How many states are participating? Will there be to compare data National verse Portsmouth? Why did it take so long to get data to teachers? Level of student investment?
 - b. **PHS REPORT-** Ms. Lyons reported on some PHS highlights: Performing Arts & FCCLA “A Taste of Home Dinner Buffet” and “Chicago”, National College Day is next week, Portsmouth-Nichinan Exchange Club fundraiser, Learning Lab, PLC, Scheduling Committee, Health & Wellness Committee’s Bubble Soccer fundraiser on Friday night, restructuring of Student Council.
 - c. **CTE REPORT-** Ms. Canada reported on Career Technical Education. She gave a brief overview and reported on the many of opportunities the students in the Career Technical Center had to witness careers in action. CTE is driven by a set of competencies.

- d. FUTURES-AMY BRNGER & PETER WEEKS- Mr. Weeks gave a brief overview of the assistance amounts (scholarships, gift cards, enrichment) the program has been able to provide to students. Ms. Brnger provided further program information such as some statistics and a future wish list that she would like to incorporate in the program. PHS student Ms. Matthews shared her experience in the program along with her plans for her future.
Comments followed: It is a unique program to Portsmouth. Encourage more alumni connection. Futures students are looking for community services.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a. ITEMS OF INFORMATION

- i. POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES, OCTOBER 28, 2015
- ii. OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP- NEW YORK CITY
- iii. OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP- INDIANAPOLIS
- iv. OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP- PUERTO RICO
- v. BOARD & ADMINISTRATOR, NOVEMBER 2015
- vi. FY17 BUDGET MEETING SCHEDULE

b. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

- i. FINANCIAL REPORT- Mr. Bartlett provided the month end report. It is tracking within accepted historical values. He does not see any issues at this point. Mr. Bartlett also provided an explanation on how the pupil cost is calculated.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF POLICIES (2ND READING):

- i. VIDEO/AUDIO SURVEILLANCE ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AND BUSES (EEAA)

MOTION: Motion to accept policy EEAA by Ms. Clayburgh

SECOND: Mr. Ellis

DISCUSSION:

VOTE: Unanimously approved

- ii. PERSONNEL RECORDS (GBJ)

MOTION: Motion to accept policy GBJ by Ms. Clayburgh

SECOND: Ms. Walker

DISCUSSION:

VOTE: Unanimously approved

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. POLICY- Chair Stevens gave an update on the Transgender Policy that the committee is still working on.

- b. LATE START- Mr. Ellis gave an update. The survey went out to parent, staff and students. The survey is due November 18. Superintendent Zdravec gave the numbers of survey responses received to date. The next workshop is scheduled for December.

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. ELECTRONIC TEXT BOOK POLICY

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:53 p.m. by Mr. Martin

SECOND: Mr. Ellis

DISCUSSION:

VOTE: Unanimously approved