

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING,  
MASON NH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
APRIL 11, 2011**

A regular meetings of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday, April 11, 2011 at approximately 1945h in the Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose room, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

Superintendent Jim McCormick, School Board Members: Robert Doyle, and Stephanie Syre-Hager, Robert Hemmer, Dr. Donald Hodges, Secretary Becky Partridge, Business Manager Brenda Wiley, and Moderator Catherine Schwenk were present.

John Diefenbach-absent

**Recognition of Public**

Refer to sign in sheet 4-11-11 for signatures: Bob Bergeron, Jeannine Phalon, Barbara Devore, Nancy Richards

**Minutes of Previous Meetings**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to approve minutes dated 3/28/2011 as submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager

nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

**Announcements of Next Scheduled Meetings**

Monday May 9, 2011: Regular School Board Meeting at 1945h, MES Multi-Purpose Room

**Public Communications**

Mrs. Phalon inquired whether school board meetings will remain at 1945h or will the time change. After a brief discussion Robert Doyle suggested the time be changed to 1900h starting in June.

*Motion by Robert Doyle to change the time of school board meetings to 1900h starting June 13<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager*

aye: Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager

nay: Hodges

**Motion carried 3-1**

Secretary Becky Partridge provided the remaining board members and Moderator Catherine Schwenk with flash drives containing current approved policies.

**Business Manager:**

Brenda Wiley submitted the manifest and payroll for approval and signatures. It is noted that board members signed said documents.

**Superintendent's Report- Mr. McCormick:**

- Visit from state begins tomorrow
- Professional Development Status-teachers have attended numerous workshops  
Mr. Doyle asked what the cost of the professional development has been. Mr. McCormick said several have been free but it is estimated at \$5,500. Mr. Doyle asked how do we know that these workshops are paying off. Mr. McCormick explained that he continues to go into classrooms and makes sure that the teachers are putting into practice what they have learned. Mr. Doyle said that he would like to see it reflected in their evaluations. Mr. McCormick agreed.
- Ed Murdough letter-contains all necessary documentation for the building
- Staff Evaluation forms-provided samples
- Grade 3 weekly update and Grade 2 monthly update samples-samples of material sent home to parents
- Ed Murdough CHPS letter-have only heard positive response-has not asked a lot of questions
- Staff contracts-provided samples
- Approved Mason School Board meeting calendar for 2011-2012 (attachment 1)
- Food service inspection –outstanding evaluations
- Monthly enrollment report-addition of one student
- Monthly food service reimbursement-continues to do well
- all grant money from last year expended

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- K-grant (the following items are covered by the K-grant)
  - shed
  - Hydro seeding and maintenance for three years
  - enclosing all of playground
  - light and security camera by K room entrance
- AYP results-Mason made AYP in all areas measured, however did not make growth scale- Mr. McCormick is reviewing the way the state determines the growth scale in order to determine a course of action
- Ad for open positions-Monster.com, MES web page, local papers

**New Business**

- Mr. McCormick seeks direction from board regarding out of district tuition rate for students wishing to attend MES. After a lengthily discussion by board members and members of the public the board decided to accept the Superintendent's recommendation.

*Motion by Robert Doyle to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of \$13,063.16 for out of district student tuition yearly rate, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager

nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

Dr. Donald Hodges requested that the board begin reviewing policies. The board agreed that they will begin reviewing polices at up coming meetings.

**Unfinished Business:**

none

**Committee Reports**

**Building Committee Report, Bob Hemmer:**

Mr. Hemmer reviewed with the board that the new stove is in and should be finished over spring break. The next building committee meeting is scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup> at 1530h.

Catherine Schwenk asked about the installation of the louvers on the cupola. Mr. Hemmer explained that they received quotes and that it is cost prohibited at this time. Mr. Doyle suggested that perhaps there is a grant that would apply since it is in the historical district.

*Motion by Dr. Donald Hodges to enter into executive session at 2045 h. per RSA 91-A:3 II. (a) dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee, seconded by Robert Doyle.*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager

nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

Those present were Dr. Donald Hodges, Bob Hemmer, Robert Doyle, Stephanie Syre-Hager, Superintendent Jim McCormick, and Secretary Becky Partridge.

**Discussion:**

- Teacher compensation
- PE teacher resignation

*Motion by Robert Doyle to enter back into public session at 2110h, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager

nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

*Motion by Dr. Donald Hodges to accept the resignation of the PE teacher with regret, seconded by Robert Doyle*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager

nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

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*Motion by Robert Doyle to accept the Superintendent's recommendations of appointments as discussed in executive session, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager.*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager  
nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

*Motion by Robert Doyle to approve executive session minutes dated 03-28-11 submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges*

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Syre-Hager  
nay: none

**Motion carried 4-0**

Bob Hemmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 2115 h, seconded by Robert Doyle.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Partridge  
School Board Secretary