

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING,
MASON NH SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUGUST 22, 2011**

A Regular Meeting of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday August 22, 2011 at approximately 1900h 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, Robert Hemmer, John Diefenbach, Stephanie Syre-Hager, Secretary Becky Partridge, Treasurer Sue Wagoner, Principal / SPED Director Kathryn Wyman and Mike O'Neill of MRI were present. Dr. Donald Hodges joined the meeting at 1945h.

Recognition of Public

Bob Bergeron, Barbara Devore, Emari Traffie (Ledger, Transcript paper)

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion by Robert Doyle to approve minutes dated 8/8/2011 by Becky Partridge, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager.

aye: Hemmer, Doyle, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager

nay: none

Motion carried 4-0

Announcements of Next Scheduled Meetings

Monday September 12, 2011: Regular School Board Meeting at 1900h, MES Multi-Purpose Room

Public Communications:

Barbara Devore informed the board that the inmates that came to Mason per request of the Conservation Commission cleaned up the area behind the playground. Mr. McCormick thanked the Conservation Commission for having the area cleaned.

Sue Wagoner informed the board and public that on September 8th there will be a community supper to help those in need. At the supper they will also be collecting winter clothing that will be available to families in need.

Bob Bergeron informed the board that he completed the modification of sitting desks to standing desks as requested by the SPED Department.

Business Manager:

Mike O'Neil submitted manifests and payroll for approval and signatures. It is noted that board members signed said documents.

Mr. O'Neil informed the board that the audit report is still incomplete and would like to wait to discuss the report until the draft is complete.

Mr. O'Neill reviewed with the board the New Hampshire Retirement System and the financial impact it will have on the district. He explained when drafting a budget he used the numbers available from the state, however these numbers have since changed leaving the district short \$3,623.

Mr. O'Neil reviewed the state adequacy aid for school year 2011 / 2012. He explained that the state has also changed these numbers from when the draft was budgeted. Mason budgeted aid at \$368,437 however it will actually be \$272,969 leaving Mason short on aid. Mr. McCormick informed the board that some of this shortfall will be made up through grants.

Superintendent's Report- Mr. McCormick:

- Superintendent's goals (attachment 1)
- Bus routed have been sent to be published
- Summer Professional Development update – Renzulli enrichment training, Singapore Math training, Touch Math training and Responsive Classroom training.
- Board received Student Handbook

New Business:

None

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Unfinished Business:

None

Dr. Donald Hodges joined the meeting

Policies:

- Second reading of IMDA – Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Rob Doyle to accept policy IMDA Pledge of Allegiance as revised on 8/8/11, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

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

Motion carried 5-0

- Second reading Post Education Policy

Motion by Dr. Donald Hodges to accept the Post Education policy, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

Mr. Doyle stated that he would rather see this as an administrative guide than policy.

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager
nay: Doyle

Motion carried 4-1

- Second reading GASB 54 Fund Balance Policy

Motion by Rob Doyle to accept GASB 54 Fund Balance policy, seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

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

Motion carried 5-0

- Second reading GCG Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff Employment

Motion by Dr. Donald Hodges to accept policy GCG Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff Employment as revised on 8/8/11, seconded by John Diefenbach

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager
nay: Doyle

Motion carried 4-1

Committee Reports

Building Committee Report, Bob Hemmer:

Mr. Hemmer met with Mr. McCormick and Mr. O'Neill to discuss concerns with outstanding invoices. In the near future they hope to meet with all parties involved to resolve the issues.

Motion by Robert Doyle to enter into executive session at 1945 h.per RSA 91-A:3 II. (b) hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by John Diefenbach.

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

Motion carried 5-0

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

Discussion:

- Review of substitute teacher list
- Review of OT candidate

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Motion by Robert Doyle to enter back into public session at 1955h, seconded by John Diefenbach

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager

nay: none

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Robert Doyle to approve executive session minutes dated 08-08-11 submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager

nay: none

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Rob Doyle to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to contract OT services with Brantley Powers, Seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager

nay: none

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Rob Doyle to accept the Superintendent's substitute teacher contact list dated 8/15/11, Seconded by Stephanie Syre-Hager

aye: Hodges, Hemmer, Doyle, Diefenbach, Syre-Hager

nay: none

Motion carried 5-0

Bob Hemmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 2005 h, seconded by Robert Doyle.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Partridge
School Board Secretary