

Wakefield School Board
1-7-19 Public Minutes
Approved

School Board members in attendance:

Board: Bob Ouellette, Tracey Kolb, Sandy Johnson, Jennifer McCawley and Tani Moody

Administration: Superintendent Dr. Christine Tyrie, Business Administrator Marie D'Agostino, Principal Jerry Gregoire, Assistant Principal James Lampron, Administrative Assistant Larissa Mulkern

Public: Donna Martin with Clearview Community TV, Jen Kuehl

Mr. Ouellette opened the meeting at 5:30 and led those present in the Pledge.

Superintendent Tyrie introduced newly-hired SAU 101 Administrative Assistant Larissa Mulkern to the board and staff.

Non Public Session

Mrs. Kolb made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCawley, to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, 11 (l) Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body even where legal counsel is not present.

(Vote 5-0) Roll Call: Ouellette aye, Kolb aye, Johnson aye, McCawley aye, Moody aye.

The board returned to public session.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. McCawley made a motion, seconded by Ms. Moody, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Members voted all in favor 4-0 [Mrs. Kolb wasn't in the room.]

FY Warrant Article Review

Prior to a review of the warrant, board members voted to ratify the tentative agreement with the Wakefield Paraprofessionals' Association. Mrs. McCawley made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolb, to ratify the agreement. Members voted all in favor, 5-0, the motion passed.

Mrs. D'Agostino distributed copies of the district warrant and the board took the following votes:

Article 4: To recommend the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Wakefield School Board and the Wakefield Paraprofessional's Union NEA-NH.

Mrs. Kolb made a motion to recommend the Article, seconded by Mrs. Johnson. Members voted all in favor and the motion passed.

Article 5: Shall the Wakefield School District, if Article 4 is defeated, authorize the school board to call one special meeting, to address Article 4 costs only? Mrs. Kolb made a motion to recommend Article 5, seconded by Mrs. Johnson; members voted all in favor, the motion passed.

Article 8: Shall the Wakefield School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of zero dollars to be added to the Educationally Disabled Children Expandable Trust Fund previously established? Mrs. Johnson made a motion to return \$100,000 to this warrant article, seconded by Mrs. Kolb. Members voted all in favor and the motion passed.

Article 11: To raise and appropriate \$185,000 to be placed in the Wakefield School Transportation Expendable Trust Fund for obtaining vehicles and funding major repairs of vehicles needed for student transportation. Mrs. Kolb made a motion to recommend Article 11, seconded by Mr. Ouellette. Members voted all in favor and the motion passed. There are no other changes to Articles 12 through 17.

FY20 Default Budget Review

Superintendent Tyrie distributed copies of the Wakefield School District FY20 Default Budget and reviewed the highlights.

FY 19/20 Lottery

Superintendent Tyrie reviewed the protocol for the high school lottery. The deadline for students to submit written notice to the SAU for inclusion in the lottery is Dec. 1. One notice was not received until Dec. 26; the board concurred that individual was too late to be included in the lottery. There is only one open slot.

Food Service Notification

Mrs. D'Agostino advised the board that reimbursement of food service claims may be affected by the current furlough of federal employees, but that she has been advised to continue to process claims. Workers affected by the federal furlough can apply for reduced fees, and once the furlough is lifted, those individuals will return to the category they were in prior to the furlough.

Resignations/Nominations

Superintendent Tyrie informed the board on the resignation of School District Clerk Barbara Schnurbush, effective Dec. 31, 2018. Efforts are underway to find a replacement and the position has been posted. The School Board will have to appoint someone to fill this position from January to March 2019. There is now a vacancy for an elected school district clerk (one-year term).

A motion was made, seconded, voted on and approved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for approval at the next board meeting.

Larissa Mulkern
Administrative Assistant