

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Mal Murray, Heather Lounsbury Barbara Luther and Aaron Hayward, Dawn Johnson, Michael Persson, Stacie Sirois, Business Administrator Christine Blouin, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds and Superintendent Dr. Brendan Minnihan.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Mal Murray called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. The agenda was posted on April 13, 2018 at the SAU office and on the District's website, along with being sent to each of our schools, the Laconia Daily Sun, Laconia Library, and City Hall, in accordance with RSA 91-A. Mal Murray indicated the need to amend the agenda to include District use of impact fee dollars.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Michael Persson to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Stacie Sirois. Heather Lounsbury abstained. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Michael Persson, seconded by Stacie Sirois, to approve the minutes of April 3, 2018 as presented. Heather Lounsbury abstained. The vote was unanimous.

PRESENTATION

Laconia High School Director of Guidance, Don Mullen:

Mr. Mullen presented on the implementation of Naviance which is comprehensive college and career readiness program to help align student strengths and interests to postsecondary goals. Mr. Mullen reported on integrating Naviance at Laconia Middle School in May and several recent opportunities for students at Laconia High School; Naviance parent trainings, Sachem Support Block, college partnerships with Running Start, hospitality tours, rapport building, and local opportunities for students on how to network. Michael Persson said he was pleased that Laconia High School added a Guidance Director and Aaron Hayward echoed the comment asking as a freshman, what the next four years would look like. Mr. Mullen explained that as a freshman, the focus is on building relationships and as a sophomore it's about identifying career intentions to create an academic plan and as juniors and seniors, work toward goals.

Office of School Wellness Director, McKenzie Harrington-Bacote:

Ms. Harrington-Bacote reported on the 2017 Youth Risk Survey Results. The YRBS was developed in 1991 by the CDC to collect health related data in youth. Ms. Harrington-Bacote emphasized that the YRBS is not a reflection of the high school, it's a reflections of the community. Ms. Harrington-Bacote went to explain the report and stated that some of the questions asked in 2017 were not asked on the prior YRBS in 2015 so there is no data to compare it to. The report included questions regarding substance misuse, substance use perceptions alcohol use, suicide, sadness & helplessness, sexual activity, tobacco use, safety, healthy living habits and other risks. Ms. Harrington-Bacote said that the national YRBS results should be out in June and next year the survey will be offered to both Laconia High School and Laconia Middle School students.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Personnel: Michael Persson reported that Christine Blouin is finalizing the 1st draft of the District budget and will be ready review in a week.

Facilities/CIP: Aaron Hayward reported that the Facilities Committee met on April 16th and have settled on a Performance Contractor. The Performance Contractor will be invited to do a short presentation to the School Board and that is currently being coordinated.

Policy: Stacie Sirois said there are two policies for 2nd read tonight and one policy for 1st read at the next School Board meeting.

Strategic Planning: Aaron Hayward reported that Strategic Planning is in a holding pattern right now.

Legislative Update: Dr. Minnihan reported that the House Finance voted to send SB193 to an interim study 7-1. Dr. Minnihan talked about a letter he sent to a State Representative.

Board Member Input: Michael Persson said that the last two presentations would be helpful to have public comment after each agenda item as currently there is not opportunity for public to comment. Mr. Persson asked the Board to consider this option looking toward the future.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT/CALENDAR

Mr. Murray reported on the Real Collaboration conference on Thursday, April 19th at the Belknap Mill. Mr. Murray went on to say that Laconia High School Graduation is set for June 8th and the last day of school for students is June 15th.

CALENDAR

School Board Meeting	Tuesday, May 1, 2018	7:00 pm at SAU 30
Laconia High School Graduation	Friday, June 8, 2018	6:30pm at Laconia High School
Last day of School for Students	Friday, June 15, 2018	District Wide

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Minnihan talked about the Real Collaboration conference at the Belknap Mill, stating that it will be a diverse group people with backgrounds in art, manufacturing, science and that NH Department of Education will be in attendance. Dr. Minnihan mention the Huot Technical Center's Career Fair is scheduled for Thursday, April 19th from 9:30-11:00am. Dr. Minnihan reported that McKenzie Harrington-Bacote was asked to be on a Panel for the US Department of Education on April 26th which will be a webinar on the impact and response of the opioid crises in k-12 schools.

Dr. Minnihhan complimented the work of the engineering program at Huot Career and Technical Center for fabricating six plaques for the Board Room. Lastly, Dr. Minnihhan reported that was asked to consider being a spotlight school for an innovative program, Reaching Higher NH.

DISCUSSION ITEMS Approval of the Laconia High School field trip request to Spain, 2nd read of policies, JLCD, JFAB, and the use of impact fees that can be used on capital improvements.

GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Conley said she has been attending School Board meetings for about four to five times now so far and wondered why the discussion is geared only toward high school and a little on middle school. Dr. Minnihhan explained that the presentations are planned well in advanced and that elementary have presented prior to her attending the School Board meetings so she missed those presentations.

ACTION ITEMS

Laconia High School Field Trip to Spain 18/19 School Year: Motion made by Stacie Sirois, seconded by Heather Lounsbury to approve the field trip. The vote was unanimous.

2nd Read of Policy JLCD: Motion made by Michael Persson, seconded Dawn Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

2nd Read of Policy JFAB: Motion made Dawn Johnson, seconded by Michael Persson, Aaron Hayward opposed. The vote was 7-1 in favor to accept and adopt policy JFAB.

Impact Fees: Motion made by Michael Persson, seconded Dawn Johnson. The vote was unanimous

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Motion made by Dawn Johnson, seconded by Stacie Sirois, to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3II letter a and c. Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board went into Non-Public Session at 8:17 pm.

Motion made to come out of Non Public Session by Michael Persson, seconded by Dawn Johnson. Roll call vote was unanimous. The Board came out of Non Public Session at 8:24pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Michael Persson, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hinds
Clerk