

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Stacie Sirois, Mal Murray, Mike Persson, Chris Guilmett, Heather Lounsbury, Aaron Hayward, Barbara Luther, Superintendent Brendan Minnihan, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds and Business Administrator Christine Blouin.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Stacie Sirois called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The agenda was posted on October 13, 2017, 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.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the minutes of October 3, 2017. Aaron Hayward and Barbara Luther abstained. The vote was unanimous.

PRESENTATION:

Huot Summer and Computer Science Update: Huot Technical Center Director, Dave Warrender, along with Computer Science Teacher, James O'Donnell, and Plumbing and Heating Teacher, Mike Schofield presented to the board on the Huot Summer Camps and the new computer science classes being offered. Mr. Warrender and Mr. Schofield discussed two summer programs, Girls Technology Camp and Construction Camp, which were offered for 7th and 8th grade students. Mr. O'Donnell, spoke about the Computer Science being offered. He discussed what Computer Science is and what the benefits are for students.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Personnel: This committee has not met.

Facilities/CIP: This committee met the week of October 9th. They discussed the SAU parking lot.

Policy: This committee has not met.

Strategic Planning: This committee has not met. They will meet October 23rd.

Legislative Update: There was a no legislative update.

Board Member Input: There was no Board Member Input.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Stacie Sirois informed the Board, due to the LEA agreement, the board need to create a committee to oversee Stipends. The Board decided the committee will be comprised of Mal Murray, Aaron Hayward, and Jason Lonergan.

CALENDAR

Strategic Planning Meeting	Monday, October 23, 2017	6:00PM @ SAU
Lights On Afterschool	Thursday, October 26, 2017	4:00PM @ Rotary Park
School Board Meeting	Tuesday, November 14, 2017	7:00PM @ SAU

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Minnihan thanked Mr. Clavett, Mr. Annis and Mr. Martin for fixing one of the Huot buses. It was thought the bus would need to be replaced but they were able to save it. He informed the Board that at Elm Street School 100 Parents participated in Pumpkin Carving. At Woodland Heights School they had 355 pumpkins carved for Pumpkinfest. They also created kindness rocks that can be seen around the community. Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that at Pleasant Street School, 320 students participated in Granite United Way Day. He also informed the Board that Pleasant Street School will remain a Title I Focus School. There was some discussion on what that entails. He updated the Board on changes in the School Board presentation schedule and that the Laconia High School has the 2nd edition of the Forum out. Lastly, Dr. Minnihan informed the Board that three students were on a panel for the New Hampshire Afterschool Network to discuss summer programing, and Project Extra has been award a Lego Robotics grant.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were not discussion items.

GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT

Dawn Johnson asked the Board how students are picked for the two Huot Summer Camps. She was informed they would look into the process and let her know.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hinds
Clerk