

The Laconia School Board held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 2017, at the Harvard Street, SAU Board Room. Present: Stacie Sirois, Chris Guilmet, Aaron Hayward, Barbara Luther, Heather Lounsbury, Superintendent Brendan Minnihan, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds and Business Administrator Christine Blouin. Absent: Mal Murray and Mike Persson.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Stacie Sirois called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The agenda was posted on September 18, 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 Guilmet, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Chris Guilmet, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the minutes of September 5, 2017. The vote was unanimous.

**PRESENTATION:**

**Office of Extended Learning Summer Update:** Office of Extended Learning Director, Christine Gingerella, Assistant Director Beth Vachon and Senior Site Coordinator, Aja Montague presented to the Board on their Summer Programs at both the Elementary and Middle School Level. The Program at the Elementary Level, Naturally Curious Summer Learning, included lessons from Boston Museum of Science and Engineering is Elementary. They also discussed community partners that presented to the students. The Summer Program at the Middle School was Super SONIC Summer. The theme for this program was Self-Discovery. The students from the SONIC program also met with numerous community partners. Ms. Gingerella and Ms. Vachon also discussed summer clubs that ran including NH Aquatics Camp and 1<sup>st</sup> Aid and Fire Safety. Lastly, they informed the Board on different grants they have applied for and the status of those grants.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Budget & Personnel:** This committee has not met.

**Facilities/CIP:** This committee has not met.

**Policy:** This committee has not met. They do have two handbooks and a policy coming forward tonight.

**Strategic Planning:** This committee met on September 12<sup>th</sup>. An oversight committee has been formed. They are looking at where we are now and do long-range planning to make sure the goals are aligned.

**Legislative Update:** There was a no legislative update.

**Board Member Input:** There was no Board Member Input.

**BOARD CHAIR REPORT**

Board Chair Stacie Sirois informed the Board that Homecoming is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>. The Parade starts at 4:30PM and the Football game will begin at 7:00PM. There will be other sporting events over the weekend.

**CALENDAR**

School Board Meeting	Tuesday, October 3, 2017	7:00pm @ SAU
Strategic Planning Meeting	Monday, October 23, 2017	6:00PM @ SAU

**SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Dr. Minnihan informed the Board there was a Financial Aid night at the Laconia High School. He has been impressed with the work the Laconia High School Guidance has done around college planning. He also informed the Board that there have been a few transportation issues that we have either resolved or are working on resolving. Lastly, he informed there is a push at the national level to promote I Love Public Schools. School Boards are being asked to write what it is they love about public schools, if any school board member is interested he can send them the form.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**2017-2018 Athletic Handbook:** Chris Guilmet informed the Board that most of the changes to the handbook are names and dates. The largest change is surrounding concussions.

**2017-2018 Huot Parent/Student Handbook:** Chris Guilmet informed the Board that most of the changes to the handbook are names and dates.

**1st Policy Reading: IHAMA - Teaching About Alcohol, Drugs, And Tobacco:** Brendan informed the Board this is a required policy.

**Donation in amount of \$2,000 from Rod and Gun Club to support families:** Amy Hinds informed the Board the Rod and Gun Club has donated Wal-Mart gift cards that will be used at the schools to assist families who are struggling. Each school will receive two \$200 gift card. Per our district Policy the School Board must accept this donation.

**GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Coggon asked if there is a non-meeting. He was informed there would not be a non-meeting. Mr. Coggon asked if there would be a non-public meeting. He was informed there would not be a non-public meeting.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**2017-2018 Athletic Handbook:** Motion made by Barbara Luther, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the 2017-2018 Athletic Handbook, as presented. The vote was unanimous.

**2017-2018 Huot Parent/Student Handbook:** Motion made by Barbara Luther, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to approve the 2017-2018 Huot Parent/Student Handbook, as presented. The vote was unanimous

**Donation in amount of \$2,000 from Rod and Gun Club to support families:** Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to accept the Donation in the amount of \$2,000 from the Rod and Gun Club. The vote was unanimous

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Chris Guilmett, seconded by Heather Lounsbury, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hinds  
Clerk