

RSU #63 Board Meeting
Date: October 17, 2022
Location: Eddington Elementary School
Minutes

RSU #63 Board Member(s) Present:

Town of Holden: Cherie Faulkner, Tracy Roberts, and Heather Lander

Town of Clifton: Linda Graban

Town of Eddington: Heather Grass and Tracy Bigney

RSU #63 Board Member(s) Excused Absent:

Town of Holden: Matthew Campbell

Board Chair, Tracy Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:31pm. The pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence followed.

Motion by Linda Graban with a second by Heather Grass to move Recognition and/or Awards of Students, Staff, and Others to later in the agenda when those being recognized will be in attendance.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Motion by Heather Lander with a second by Cherie Faulkner to approve the September 20, 2022 RSU #63 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Motion by Cherie Faulkner with a second by Linda Graban to approve the September 26, 2022 RSU #63 Board Meeting Minutes.

Discussion: Matthew Campbell submitted a request to Tracy Roberts and Shelley Wyman to have language added to the Heating Fuel Bid discussion regarding rising costs and budget over expenditures.

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed with amendment from Matthew Campbell

Motion by Heather Grass with a second by Cherie Faulkner to approve the October 5, 2022 RSU #63 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Acceptance of Gifts/Donations: Motion by Cherie Faulkner with a second by Heather Lander to accept \$1,000 donation from Green Thumb Lawn Services for the Eighth Grade Class and a \$1,700 grant from The Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council for the Holbrook gardens and orchard.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Presentation: Interactive Whiteboards by George Cummings, RSU 63 Technology Coordinator and Ashley Perry, Grade 1 Teacher

The Board adjourned to Ms. Perry's classroom for a demonstration on the use of the new interactive whiteboards in the classroom.

Recognition and/or Awards of Students, Staff, and Others: Heather Lander recognized and thanked RSU 63 students Korbin Cullen, Cecelia Higgins, Micah Kennedy, Khloe Grass, Jaxson Grass, Ella Williams, Nora Williams, Lilly Fox, Claire Fox, and Tyler Rose and their parents for their commitment and assistance with the Holbrook Recreation Youth Soccer Program.

Questions from the Public: None

Dates of Next Meetings:

Budget and Finance Committee Meeting: Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 5:00pm, Holbrook Middle School

Policy Committee Meeting: Monday, November 7, 2022 at 6:00pm, Eddington Elementary School

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting with Judy Sanders: Saturday, November 19, 2022 from 8:00am until 4:30pm, Holbrook Middle School

Board Meeting: Monday, November 28, 2022 at 6:30pm, Holbrook Middle School

Budget and Finance: Kelly Theriault, RSU #63 Business Manager updated the Board on the Holbrook Indoor Air Quality Project. This project is still being discussed to find a way to complete the projects rather than lose out on the state funding. She advised that a meeting with Carpenter Associations, Jake Morgan, Jared Fulgoni, and herself is scheduled for this later this week. Cherie Faulkner, Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, did not have anything to add to the Budget and Finance Committee Minutes.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Jared Fulgoni gave a brief overview of the virtual webinar hosted by Drummond and Woodsum that he and Heather Grass attended around possible political and contentious topics, public comment at board meetings, rights of different parties (students and staff), and curriculum aligned with rights.

The first Special Education Parent Advisory Council meeting was held with Superintendent Fulgoni and Jesse Gauthier, RSU 63 Special Services Director. Parents were invited to collaborate ideas and ways to offer the best services for our students.

Tracy Bigney asked for clarification on who can speak during public comment. Superintendent Fulgoni responded per the law; public comment is open to any member of the public regardless of where they reside.

Tracy Roberts asked to confirm that Sharon Haskell, Director of Curriculum and Instruction will be presenting at the next board meeting. Superintendent Fulgoni responded Ms. Haskell was waiting on a piece of data from an area high school but would be ready to present in November.

RSU #63 Chair's Report: None

Acceptance of Reports:

Motion by Heather Lander with a second by Tracy Bigney to accept all written and verbal reports from the Budget and Finance Committee, Policy Committee, Administrators, Superintendent, and Board Chair.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Old Business: None

New Business:

Nursing Service: Superintendent Fulgoni discussed with the Board the current nursing resources for the District, limitations/concerns with the current structure limitations, and proposed a new part-time Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) position that would assist the District to assure our students have the nursing services they need. Dawna Bickford, RSU 63 Nurse provided an outline of how an LPN could be utilized by the District in the Board's written materials. This position can be covered under the ESSER Grant.

Motion by Cherie Faulkner with a second by Heather Grass to create a part-time Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) position, two days per week for RSU 63.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Personnel Actions:

Appointments: Michele Maybury, Holbrook Outdoor Education Enrichment; Hannah Crabtree, Substitute; Elizabeth Davis-Spencer, Substitute; and Esther Yoder, Substitute.

Resignations: None

Retirements: None

Reassignment: None

Election: None

Searches: Girls A Team Basketball Coach, Girls B Team Basketball Coach, Boys B Team Basketball Coach, Cheering Coach, Library Media Specialist, Holbrook Resource Room Special Education Teacher, Ed Tech III Math/Literacy at Eddington, Ed Tech III at Holbrook, Bus Drivers, Holden Speech Language Pathologist, and Substitutes.

Discussion: Superintendent Fulgoni noted policy JJIBA – Hiring and Evaluation of Coaches is currently in review with the Policy Committee. Tracy Roberts asked if students were receiving speech services at Holden while we are still searching for a Speech Language Pathologist. Jesse Gauthier responded students are not receiving services currently, but he is in the process of working with a contracted service provided to make up the missing services. Tracy Roberts asked if the Athletic Director was a new position. Superintendent Fulgoni responded the position was previously being combined with the Assistant Principal position, but it did not fit well as the assistant principal could not simultaneously be at the elementary school and fulfill the middle school athletic needs. Tracy Roberts asked for a report from the athletic department. Superintendent Fulgoni agreed this would be a great time to get an update as the fall sports are wrapping up their seasons.

Questions and Comments from the Public: Karen Quimby, Eddington resident asked who oversees the LPN position. Superintendent Fulgoni, with permission from the Board Chair responded that the position would be directly supervised by the school nurse as an LPN must be directly supervised by an RN.

Ms. Quimby asked where to find a list of requirements for coaches. Superintendent Fulgoni responded policies can be found on the district website.

Adjournment:

At 7:33pm, motion by Heather Grass with a second by Cherie Faulkner to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Respectfully submitted by,



Jared Fulgoni
RSU #63 Interim Superintendent

Approved: November 28, 2022; with amendment