

Sullivan School Board meeting
Tuesday, April 30, 2013
7:45 p.m. at the Sullivan Town Hall, lower level

Sullivan School Board: Dana Briggs, Stephanie Jacques Kleine, Malinda Scherpa

Absent: Paul Bolduc, Christine Hanson

Others in attendance: Ken Dassau, JJ Prior

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2013 meeting. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. Voice vote, motion passes.

April 17, 2013 minutes approval will be tabled until P. Bolduc is present.

Public comments

None requested.

Superintendent

K. Dassau reported he is following the needs of particular Sullivan students requiring special education services. The best placement for next year has yet to be determined.

Treasurer

T. Ellsworth shared an updated cash flow analysis with projections through November 2013. Monadnock School District will bill quarterly. Keene and Nelson school districts will bill semiannually. T. Ellsworth will check in with the town administrative assistant to ensure payments will run smoothly. She has ordered new checks for the school district.

SAU 93 withdrawal

Board members expressed pleasure with the turnout and results of this evening's district meeting. The success has come from the efforts of many, including officials from other school districts.

Contracts

Both Keene and Nelson school district contracts are in the hands of the NH Board of Education.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to authorize the school board chair to sign the insurance agreement on the board's behalf **SECOND:** D. Briggs. Voice vote, motion passes.

Preschool

T. Ellsworth reported the preschool committee has met three times and has been productive. She shared and explained a grid of requirements and resources for special education needs. Also, in an effort to build a positive relationship between families and new school districts, the committee is working to produce a document with steps to success.

The committee had discussed holding a celebration event prior to the start of the school year for Sullivan children. School board members expressed support for the idea and discussed other ideas. This is a great opportunity for building community. M. Scherpa suggested inviting high schoolers to be involved in the planning to help take ownership.

Policy

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to approve the BGB - Agenda Preparation and BEDB - Policy Adoption policies **SECOND:** D. Briggs. Voice vote, motion passes.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to approve adopting the school district logo and letterhead designed by J. Prior, pending addition of all district officers' names. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. Discussion: J. Prior explained the design incorporated the shape of the town of Sullivan and Monadnock Mountain with a schoolhouse and five stars, representing the five original one-room school districts in the town. Voice vote, motion passes.

School building updates

The building may only be shown to interested buyers by coordinating with the MRSD facilities department.

Enrollments and registrations

S. Jacques Kleine shared that MRSD indicated there may be some room for preschoolers at Mt. Caesar School. K. Dassau will follow up on specific student issues.

Upcoming dates/timelines

May 15 - No school board meeting.
June 5 - School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Public comments

None requested.

Adjournment

MOTION: D. Briggs MOVED to adjourn. **SECOND:** M. Scherpa seconded. Voice vote, Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Prior
Recording secretary