

Sullivan School Board meeting
Wednesday, August 21, 2013
6:30 p.m. at the Sullivan Town Hall, lower level

Sullivan School Board: Paul Bolduc, JJ Prior, Malinda Scherpa.
Absent: Stephanie Jacques Kleine, Dana Briggs.
Others in attendance: Ken Dassau, Toni Ellsworth, Mary Hull.

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: J. Prior MOVED to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2013 meeting. **SECOND:** M. Scherpa. Voice vote, motion passes.

Public comments

M. Hull reported having solicited for proposals of financing for the school building. She received a proposal, and will visit additional banks. In order to avoid the spike in tax rates from the unsold school building, the debt to MRSD must be paid prior to the DRA setting the rate. K. Dassau said the board will need to vote tonight to request a special district meeting to approve borrowing.

Superintendent

K. Dassau shared the original tuition agreement with Monadnock Regional School District to provide for students who chose to remain in that district until they graduate from their current schools.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to approve tuition agreement with Monadnock Regional School District, and to authorize P. Bolduc to sign on behalf of the board. **SECOND:** J. Prior. Voice vote, motion passes.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to petition the superior court to allow for a special district meeting on Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 7 p.m., to authorize the borrowing of up to \$185,000 to fund the reimbursement of the Sullivan Central School building, already appropriated at the March 13, 2013 annual district meeting. **SECOND:** J. Prior. Voice vote, motion passes.

Treasurer

T. Ellsworth presented the manifest of two payments, checks 109 to 110 in the amount of \$9,880.

MOTION: J. Prior MOVED to approve the manifest, and authorize T. Ellsworth to sign the checks. **SECOND:** M. Scherpa. Voice vote, motion passes.

T. Ellsworth expressed her difficulty in completing treasurer duties without technology support. A copier or printer would be very helpful.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to authorize T. Ellsworth to spend up to \$300 to purchase a multifunction printer/copier for school district treasurer business use.. **SECOND:** J. Prior. Voice vote, motion passes.

Transportation

J. Prior shared that he had posted the school bus routes to Facebook, as well as provided an article to the town newsletter with updates from the school board. He will also forward the routes to the town clerk for posting in the town hall. He noted that none of the bus routes were shared with Nelson, which would have allowed for socializing between students of the two towns.

Other business

D. Briggs had submitted a letter of resignation to the board via email.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to accept D. Briggs' resignation from the school board. **SECOND:** J. Prior. Voice vote, motion passes.

The town administrative assistant said in an mail to board members that she plans to attend a workshop on budget planning and preparation sponsored by the NH Municipal Association, and recommended a school board member attend as well.

MOTION: J. Prior MOVED to spend \$75 to allow a school district officer to attend the September 17 budget planning and preparation workshop. **SECOND:** M. Scherpa. Voice vote, motion passes.

Upcoming dates/timelines

August 28 - First day of school for all schools (Nelson, Gilsum, KMS, KHS, MRHS)

September 4 - School board meeting, 6:30 p.m.

September 18 - School board meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Public comments

None present.

Adjournment

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to adjourn. **SECOND:** J. Prior seconded. Voice vote, Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Prior
Recording secretary

**Sullivan School Board Agenda
September 4, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.
Sullivan Town Hall, lower level**

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes
3. Public comments
4. New Business
 - a. Superintendent reports
 - b. Treasurer reports
 - c. Clerk reports
4. Old Business
 - a. Contracts
 - b. Preschool
 - c. Enrollments and registrations
 - d. School building
 - e. Policy
 - f. Important dates and postings
5. Public comments
6. Next Meeting Agenda
7. Adjourn