

**Sullivan School Board meeting
Wednesday, December 18, 2013
6:30 p.m. at the Sullivan Town Hall, lower level**

Sullivan School Board: Paul Bolduc, Stephanie Jacques Kleine, Risa Keene, JJ Prior, Malinda Scherpa.

Absent: None.

Others in attendance: Ken Dassau, Toni Ellsworth, Timothy Goodnow.

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: R. Keene MOVED to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2013 meeting. **SECOND:** J. Prior. Voice vote, motion passes.

Treasurer

T. Ellsworth presented the manifest in the amount of \$47,793.

There is one bill left to Monadnock for tuition and special services. The board discussed recent bills and monies owed to the Monadnock district. The two business managers of Sullivan and Monadnock have drafted a resolution.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to approve the proposal drafted on Nov. 27 by the managers of Monadnock and Sullivan School Districts. **SECOND:** J. Prior. Voice vote, motion passes.

Public comments

Tim Goodnow posed questions about the withdrawal process, effect on taxes, role of the school board, and extracurricular activity opportunities. J. Prior will followup to answer questions about recreation programs with Keene.

Superintendent

K. Dassau mentioned the MS-27 and district report should be made available on the website this year.

The Title I grant is underway. SAU 29 will be drafting a Memorandum of Understanding to address the dissemination of federal funds.

Other business

S. Jacques Kleine asked for discussion about winterizing options for the school building. The building could continue to be heated at the current level, partially winterized to save oil heat costs, or have the heat shut off entirely. This final option would require paying for shoveling the roof clear of snow.

MOTION: J. Prior MOVED to initiate a partial winterization of the school building. **SECOND:** R. Keene. Voice vote, motion passes.

Further school building discussion pertained to the sale and marketability of the site. The school has been for sale at \$175,000 with no offers.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to reduce the price to 150 now, and approach to budget committee about a further reduction. **SECOND:** R. Keene. Voice vote, motion passes.

R. Keene brought up the survey for families with children in the school. We will mail it out in January.

P. Bolduc reported on the Nelson school board meeting. That board discussed physical plant issues, including a new boiler.

R. Keene asked about the availability of Keene Public Library cards for Sullivan students. J. Prior will inquire with KPL about this possibility.

S. Jacques Kleine brought up the job responsibilities presented by Mary Hull for the role of district clerk. The board should decide on stipends for elected positions: clerk, treasurer, and board members. Other towns' boards receive stipends to cover gas expenses.

The board will split up work regarding record keeping of student enrollments P. Bolduc will maintain contacts with Nelson, M. Scherpa will handle Keene Middle and High schools, and R. Keene will work with Monadnock. J. Prior will work with T. Ellsworth to maintain the student census records.

The board discussed the possibility of surpluses and a warrant article for building the tuition reserve fund.

S. Jacques Kleine said the board has finally received a contract from First Student for busing.

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED approve the transportation contract with First Student transportation. **SECOND:** P. Bolduc. Voice vote, motion passes.

Public comments

None present.

Upcoming dates:

Nelson School Board budget work session Jan. 3 at 5:00
Nelson School Board meeting Jan. 8 at 4:30, followed by budget hearing
Sullivan School Board meeting Jan. 15, 6:30

Adjournment

MOTION: M. Scherpa MOVED to adjourn. **SECOND:** J. Prior seconded. Voice vote, Motion passes.
Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Prior
Recording secretary

Sullivan School Board Agenda
January 15, 2014 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. Clerk reports
 - b. Treasurer reports
 - c. Superintendent reports
 4. Old Business
 - a. Tuition
 - b. Student census and budget
 - c. School building loan
 - d. School building physical plant
 - e. Policy
 - f. Important dates and postings
 5. Public comments
 6. Next Meeting Agenda
 7. Adjourn
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