

Sullivan School Board meeting
Wednesday, July 17, 2013
6:30 p.m. at the Sullivan Town Hall, lower level

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

Call to order

For lack of a quorum, the official meeting start was delayed.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the June 19, 2013 meeting were acceptable for those present.

Public comments

None requested.

Superintendent

K. Dassau shared a revised Monadnock tuition agreement proposal from attorney Bradley that added language allowing for prorated tuition expenses. Those present agreed to move forward with this revised version and send it to the MRSD board. The Monadnock school board met last night, and will not meet again until August.

Treasurer

T. Ellsworth shared a bill from Stebbins Bradley attorneys for \$440. There is confusion on what is owed for liability insurance to LGC, and she will inquire for clarification of the contract terms.

T. Ellsworth spoke with the Devine Millimet attorney as requested by People's United Bank, and learned that it is not legal for a school district to have a line of credit. She would like to bring the issue to the town budget committee. She also spoke to Keene School District business officers who said they will work with the town.

School building updates

S. Jacques Kleine reported the listing price for the school building has been reduced, per the plan. The school district still does not have a key to the building, so the listing agent may only show the building during school day hours with a MRSD grounds crew member present to unlock the building.

School board vacancy

S. Jacques Kleine shared the letter of interest filed by John Prior to fill the school board vacancy. No other letters have been received at this time.

At 7:50 p.m. D. Briggs called to inform the group his work would not permit him to attend the meeting in person. S. Jacques Kleine called the meeting to order, with a quorum having been reached under the provisions of NH RSA 91-A:2 III. D. Briggs shared that he would be submitting a letter of resignation to the board.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2013 meeting. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. Voice vote, motion passes.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to accept the MRSD tuition agreement as revised by Attorney Bradley. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. P. Bolduc stated it is the board's responsibility to act in the district's financial interests and not accept the terms presented by MRSD. Voice vote, motion passes.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to empower the treasurer to sign checks with the cosignature of another board member. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. **Discussion:** This would allow for bills to be paid in the absence of a quorum. K. Dassau said this is standard practice, but must be formally authorized by the board with this vote. Voice vote, motion passes.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to accept the letter of interest from John Prior and appoint him to fill the vacant seat on the board in accordance with NH RSA 671:33. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. **Discussion:** J. Prior will need to be sworn in before serving on the board. Voice vote, motion passes.

MOTION: P. Bolduc MOVED to authorize payment to Stebbins Bradley, PA in the amount of \$440. **SECOND:** D. Briggs. Voice vote, motion passes.

S. Jacques Kleine thanked D. Briggs for his time and efforts serving the school district.

Upcoming dates/timelines

July 19 - Nelson School Board meeting regarding Sullivan transition, 3:00 p.m.

August 7 - School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.

August 21 - School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.

August 28 - First day of school in Nelson

Public comments

None requested.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Prior
Recording secretary

Sullivan School Board Agenda
August 7, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.
Sullivan Town Hall, lower level

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes
3. New Business
 - a. Superintendent reports
 - b. Treasurer reports
 - c. Clerk reports
 - d. Committee 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