

**Sullivan School Board meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 24, 2014**  
**7:00 p.m. at the Sullivan Town Hall, lower level**

Sullivan School Board: Paul Bolduc, Stephanie Jacques Kleine, JJ Prior. Risa Keene (remotely via web camera connection)

Absent: Malinda Scherpa.

Others in attendance: Toni Ellsworth, Ken Dassau

**Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05.

**Public comments**

None present.

**Treasurer**

K. Dassau shared that a check must be made to the trustees of the trust. The board signed the payment manifest.

**Superintendent**

Ken Dassau shared that the town tax rate has been set. The budget process involves us needing to start thinking about this. He requested that he and treasurer Toni Ellsworth begin to meet to make sure we don't get caught off guard. Stephanie Jacques Kleine noted a bit of a disconnect with knowledge about the incoming kindergarten student population and contacts with families. District clerk Mary Hull may be helpful in nailing down a number of students. Stephanie noted two years of larger kindergarten class. Tuition rates are voted and set by the receiving school districts' boards, both Nelson and Keene. We need to wait for them to let us know.

**Other business**

**School building**

The board anticipates closing on the school building sale in mid-October. We shouldn't need to worry about heating prior to sale close.

J. Prior reported he had only heard back from one business regarding bids to remove playground equipment, but the message was they would be unable to take on the job until November. The search for bids will continue.

S. Jacques Kleine brought up that the contract with Nelson is set to lapse after three years, which would mean negotiations would begin at the end of the school year.

The board discussed language for the town master plan. A summary of the withdrawal process should be included, as well as a mention of projected population trends. The general message: We have decided to create our own district and SAU to allow the townspeople to have a greater voice and influence on the educational matters of our town's students and to keep the actual decisionmaking local. T. Ellsworth also noted the board should begin considering long-range options for preschool if new options were to become available.

**Public comments**

None present.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION:** J. Prior MOVED to adjourn. **SECOND:** R. Keene seconded. Voice vote, Motion passes.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Prior  
Recording secretary

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**Sullivan School Board Agenda**  
**October 15, 2014 at 7:00 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
    - d. Nelson contract
  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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