

Minutes-Draft

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Robert Weir called the meeting to order at: 5:34pm.

Chairman Weir had the board members introduce themselves.

ROLL CALL

Bethlehem: Chairman Robert Weir, Rebecca Beno, Timothy Fleury, James Noyes, Jennifer Lucas

Lafayette: Gail Clark, Megan Dentamore, Christi Gignac, Amy Mullins, Chris Thayer

Landaff: Chairman Meghan Hamilton, John Barth

Lisbon: Robert Adams, Arthur Boutin, Stephen Sherry, Nina Brown, Scott Peterson

Profile: Chairman Kimberly Koprowski, Timothy Burger, John Devlin

Also in attendance: Superintendent Tari Thomas, Business Manager Toni Butterfield, Director of Student Services Jennifer Watson and NSBA representative Barrett Christina

RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Robert Weir called for a nomination for a new board chair.

Chris Thayer nominated Robert Weir, seconded by James Noyes

There were no other nominations. Board vote: all in favor

Chairman Weir called for a nomination for a new vice chair.

Robert Weir nominated Christie Gignac, seconded by Megan Hamilton

There were no other nominations. Board vote: all in favor.

NHSBA PRESENTATION – BARRETT CHRISTINA

Barrett Christina from the NH School Board Association provided an update on the latest news and legislation affecting schools in NH, fielding questions as needed. Areas that were discussed included SB130 – School Vouchers, HB544 Critical Race Theory, HB2 Adequacy, School funding and Right to Know law.

There was also a discussion regarding conducting a superintendent search during the 21-22 school year.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2, 2020 MEETING

Motion by Kimberly Koprowski, seconded by Amy Mullins to Approve the Minutes of the December 2, 2020 meeting as written. All in favor, motion passed.

APPROVAL FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TO ACT ON BEHALF OF SAU#35 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS  
UNTIL THE NEXT SEMI-ANNUAL SAU#35 FULL BOARD MEETING

Motion by Christie Gignac, seconded by James Noyes to approve the Executive Board to act on behalf of the SAU#35 school board members until the next semi-annual SAU#35 full board meeting in December. All in favor, motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A.General Information

Supt. Thomas introduced Director of Student Services Jennifer Watson.

Director of Student Services Watson gave an update regarding the SOC grant. The SAU has hired Christina Bertin from Northern Human Services who started this week as the System of Care Assistant. There will be a SEL retreat with Mike Anderson July 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> and have 40 plus staff signed up for the training that will focus on Social Emotional learning through academics not as a separate piece in classrooms. August 25<sup>th</sup> back to school celebration – SAUwide professional development day. Will be working with all year on the social emotional piece.

Also focusing on self-care for staff next year. Will offer opportunities for staff and students.

SAU Special Education procedures plan update – every 4 years DOE requires that the plan be sent to the state for approval. This is required by the NHDOE and the Federal Government. It is available in every school and at the SAU office.

Superintendent Thomas commended the boards for working together during the pandemic- remarkable and supportive. Referred to the end of the year review she prepared and distributed on some of the items that were accomplished in the districts during the past year.

Bob Weir thanked Tari and the SAU staff for the work done over the last year.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION PER RSA 91:3A I, II (if needed)

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by James Noyes, Seconded by Kimberly Koprowski to adjourn the meeting at 6:27pm. All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Gabrielle Granger-Clark

Board Clerk