

Winnacunnet Cooperative School District

School Board Meeting Minutes

Winnacunnet High School – Lecture Hall

The Regular School Board meeting will immediately follow the Public Hearing for the Acceptance of Gifts to the Winnacunnet School District
Wednesday, February 21, 2018

6:30 p.m.

Board Members:

Henry Marsh: Chair (N. Hampton), Leslie Lafond, Vice-Chair, Catherine Antonio - (At Large), David Gandt (Hampton Falls), and Fran Henderson (Seabrook).

Administration:

Dr. Robert Sullivan; Superintendent, Dr. Ronna Cadarette; Assistant Superintendent, Matt Ferreira; Business Administrator, and Bill McGowan; Principal, and Isabel Johnston; Student Council Representative.

Call to Order

At 6:37 p.m., Henry Marsh called the Winnacunnet School Board meeting to **order**, and Isabel Johnston led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Henry Marsh recessed the Public Meeting to attend the Public Hearing at 6:39 p.m.

Henry Marsh reconvened the Public Meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Web Filtering Protection (Added by the Board)

Jason Saltmarsh introduced a new website – web filtering protection that would filter the contents on student Chromebooks both on and off-campus. This filtering will create a safe environment for students as well as capturing an internet log of web-sites that are visited on and off campus. This is a free site.

3. Winnacunnet Pride

Isabel Johnston informed of the most recent school activities including: People from 16 nations were represented when receiving United States Citizenship during a Naturalization Induction here at Winnacunnet High School and invited the Board to see the new auditorium murals.

Isabel Johnston excused herself from the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Henry Marsh expressed commendations to the student body who attended the recent Federal Naturalization Ceremony.

Henry Marsh expressed commendations to the student body of Exeter High School and Winnacunnet High School who attended the Basketball game for their exemplary

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behavior and requested permission from the Board to extend a letter to the Exeter School Board.

a. Power School Presentation

The Board welcomed Dr. David Hobbs; Curricular Coordinator, who presented information on Power School. He walked through the power school program showing how it works within the system, how it stores grades, and student information where parents, teachers and students have access, and how the teachers can work with the information.

Then, introduced the Winnacunnet Dual Grade Book and Competencies that are being used for college transcripts, and admissions through Power School.

He introduced Winnacunnet High School: Who we are, demographics and enrollments, Required and Elective Classes, Typical Schedule, Course Selection Timeline Ongoing Events, and Competency Based Assessment and Grading.

Spoke about Dream, Think, Do – Your possibilities are endless brochure was introduced which features many Winnacunnet student possibilities.

4. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Catherine Antonio – Voiced the question if are we doing everything that we can to achieve school safety? The Board reviewed the homeland security review, the new safety equipment that has been installed throughout the campus, A.L.I.C.E. training based on what is best for Winnacunnet High School, school drills, students should never let anyone inside the building, hall passes for minimum traffic in the hallways, and any parental observations or changes with their children to notify the school.

The New Hampshire School Board Association (NHSBA) informed that our weapons policy is directed towards students. There is a municipal policy to not allow excluding someone who has the right to carry. Current legislation is ongoing and pending. We have a police officer inside our school, cameras with monitors, and we have been (Winnacunnet) proactive, and has many security measures already in place. Students are also at ease talking with faculty and are not afraid to speak out if something is not right.

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There will be upcoming meetings with students, staff, and the final state approval has been received for the real time monitors / security upgrades where police can know exactly where any trouble would be inside the school. Information will be forthcoming in the Hampton Union.

5. Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

Motion: Catherine Antonio motioned to approve the January 17, 2018 Public Hearing, Public and Non-Public minutes as written. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Motion: Catherine Antonio motioned to approve the February 9, 2018 Public minutes as written. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

B) Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan reviewed his written report with special emphasis on competency-based education, and possible ACA (Affordable Care Act) penalty letters.

Dr. Ronna Cadarette provided the new Curriculum Matters, Issue #1 in the Board's packet for the Board to peruse.

The Board expressed and found that Curriculum Matters is informative, interesting, and really enjoyed reading it.

C) Principal's Report

Principal McGowan reviewed that student enrollment is steady with 1,079 students, Our Spring musical production "Young Frankenstein" will take place on March 16 at 7:00 p.m. and March 17 at 7:00 p.m. with a 2:00 p.m. afternoon matinee.

6. Continuing Business

A) Board Liaisons

Fran Henderson informed that maintenance is meeting and planning and getting things ready for next year.

7. New Business

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Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to accept \$400 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School District on behalf of the Winnacunnet Boys' Basketball Team to broadcast the Boys' basketball games. Second Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Basketball Boosters for their donation of \$400 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School District on behalf of the Winnacunnet Boys' Basketball Team to broadcast the Boys' basketball games.

Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to accept \$150.00 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School District on behalf of the Alpine Ski Team. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Kittredge and Kennedy Families or their generous donation to the Alpine Ski Team.

Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to accept \$625 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School District on behalf of the Winnacunnet Girls' Basketball Team to provide end of the season gifts at the year-end Basketball Banquet. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Girls' Basketball Boosters for this supportive donation.

Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to approve a donation of \$461.16 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School on behalf of the Swim Team to provide senior gifts. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Swim Team Boosters for their generous donation.

Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to accept a gift of \$803.50 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School on behalf of the Winnacunnet Wrestling Team to purchase six team jackets. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

The Board expressed their appreciation to the Wrestling Team for their support and donation.

Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to accept \$297 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School on behalf of the Winnacunnet Best Buddies Program. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

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The Board expressed their appreciation to McDonalds for their generous donation to the Winnacunnet Best Buddies Program.

Motion: Leslie Lafond motioned to accept a gift of \$14,000 to the Winnacunnet Cooperative School on behalf of the 2017 Undefeated Championship Season, Championship Rings Varsity 2017 season. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

B) Job Share – MOA

Motion: Leslie Lafond moved to approve that Matt Ferreira; Business Administrator can execute the draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for job shares between SEA CBA and SESPACBA as written as of February 12, 2018. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 4-1-0. (Opposed: David Gandt).

The Board agreed that Job share positions are always approved by the Board.

C) Extra-curricular Stipend – Musical Choreographer

Motion: David Gandt motioned that we postpone this conversation until the Fall of 2018. Second: Leslie Lafond. Motion passed 3-2-0. (Henry Marsh / Leslie Lafond opposed.)

Note: The Board will continue this conversation when additional data is collected and will re-visit during the fall contract negotiations.

8. Budget Review

Matt Ferreira reviewed the FY 2017-18 Expenditure Report.

A) Bus Transportation Fuel Rebate

Matt Ferreira informed that the District will receive a fuel pricing refund from July – December 2017, in the amount of \$2,321,86 from First Student Transportation Services.

B) IRS/ACA Notice

Matt Ferreira informed that the New Hampshire School Administration Association (NHSAA) was notified that districts will be receiving IRS penalty letters who do not provide employer mandated Affordable Health Insurance to Educational Associates who work more than 30 hours. Winnacunnet High School does offer health

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insurance to Educational Associates, so there will not be any costs associated with Winnacunnet. This topic will need to be addressed during the next SESPAs negotiations.

9. Other

Motion: David Gandt motioned to allow Henry Marsh to submit a letter of correspondence to the Exeter School Board, to commend the Exeter High School student body who attended the Winnacunnet/Exeter Basketball game for their exemplary behavior. Second: Fran Henderson. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Motion: David Gandt motioned to approve that Henry Marsh request by correspondence to extend an offer to hold a Naturalization Ceremony at Winnacunnet High School next year. Second: Catherine Antonio. Motion passed 5-0-0.

A) Personnel – Administrative Contracts Review

10. Public Comment – There were no comments.

Motion: David Gandt moved to enter Non-Public Session under RSA 19-A:3 II (a) at 8:28 p.m. Second: Fran Henderson. Roll Call vote: Henry Marsh says yes, Leslie Lafond says yes, Catherine Antonio says yes, David Gandt says yes, and Fran Henderson says yes. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Maureen Hastings, Recording Secretary (Approved March 21, 2018)