

MILLINOCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE WARRANT MEETING
STEARNS JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015
4:00 PM

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| Jeffrey Gordon | Present |
| Kevin Gregory | Present |
| Michael Jewers, Chair | Present |
| Margaret Manzo | Present |
| Warren Steward | Present |
| Francis Boynton, Superintendent | Present |
| Christopher Brown, Student Representative | Absent |
| Desiree MacArthur, Student Representative | Absent |

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Michael B. Jewers, Chairperson.

II. Adjustments to the Agenda

VIa. To see if the Board will approve a trip to China by the Superintendent April 11 – 25, 2015

VIb. To see if the Board will authorize the Superintendent to go forward with the Pre-K Memorandum of Understanding

VIc. Discussion of the graduation date

III. Public Comment

Parents, students, and staff made public comments regarding the issues surrounding changing graduation from June 7 to June 14 and the impact it has from their viewpoint.

IV. Payroll Warrant

Motion: It was moved to direct the Superintendent of Schools to authorize payment by the Town Treasurer to each party listed herein, the sum set against each name contained in School Payroll Warrant #15-18 in the amount of \$155,694.76 on February 26, 2015.

Motioned by: Jeffrey Gordon **Seconded by:** Warren Steward

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

V. Payable Warrant

Motion: It was moved to direct the Superintendent of Schools to authorize payment by the Town Treasurer to each party listed herein, the sum set against each name contained in School Payable Warrant #15-28 in the amount of \$121,804.99 on February 26, 2015.

Motioned by: Jeffrey Gordon **Seconded by:** Warren Steward

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VI. To see if the Board will approve the 2015-2016 school calendar

Motion: To approve the 2015-2016 school calendar

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Kevin Gregory

Board Discussion:

This calendar has 5 storm days and graduation is moved a week later. There might have to be some minor adjustments made to keep us in line with Region III.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VIa. To see if the Board will approve a trip to China by the Superintendent April 11 – 25, 2015.

Motion: To approve a trip to China by the Superintendent April 11 – 25, 2015

Motioned by: Kevin Gregory **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

The Superintendent reviewed his itinerary. He will be visiting 14 different schools in 10 days to review contracts, check teacher credentials, check classrooms, and review curriculum.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VIb. To see if the Board will authorize the Superintendent to go forward with the Pre-K Memorandum of Understanding

Motion: To authorize the Superintendent to go forward with (sign) the Pre-K Memorandum of Understanding

Motioned by: Jeffrey Gordon **Seconded by:** Warren Steward

Board Discussion:

This is standard language. We will be working with CDS and Head Start to hire staff – 1 teacher, 1 ed tech, and 1 coordinator. The grant will pay for staff, supplies, furniture, curriculum, and renovations. There should be no cost to the district for 4 years. The students will have to be in the 200% poverty range or more.

One Board Member wanted to review the contract before voting and wondered if it could be tabled. The Superintendent stated it may be able to wait for 2 weeks, but we are in a time crunch.

Voted: 3 - Yes 1 – No (Kevin Gregory) 1 – Abs (Margaret Manzo)

VIc. Discussion of the graduation date

Board Discussion:

The Chair asked if there was any Board Member from the prevailing side of the vote to change graduation to June 14 who would like to reconsider. There was reconsideration and no motion.

VII. First reading of policies

ACAB – Transgender Students Guidelines (New)
ADC – Tobacco Free Schools (Revised)
BCA – Board Member Code of Ethics (Revised)
EEA – Bus Transportation for Children (Revised)
EEBB – Use of Private Vehicles for School Business (New)
EFD – School Lunch Charging Policy (Revised)
GBEC – Drug-Free Workplace (New)
IMGA – Service Animals in Schools (New)
JICG – Tobacco Use by Students (Revised)
JJIBC – Relations with Booster and Outside Organizations (New)
JL – Student Wellness (Revised)
JLCB – Immunization of Students (New)
JLCCA – Communicable/Infectious Diseases (New)
KFD – Use of Vocational/Technical Shops (Revised)

The revisions were read for current policies and the complete policy was read for new policies.

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy ADC – Tobacco Free Schools

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy BCA – Board Member Code of Ethics

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy EEA – Bus Transportation for Children with stated revisions.

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

Change “Children” or “Child” to “Students” or “Student”.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy EFD – School Lunch Charging Policy

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy JICG – Tobacco Use by Students

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy JL – Student Wellness

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy KFD – Use of Vocational/ Technical Shops

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

Will add “On Premises” to the Board policy title.

Warren Steward withdrew his motion and Jeffrey Gordon withdrew his second.

Motion: To approved the first reading of revised policy KFD – Use of Vocational/ Technical Shops with revision of adding “On Premises” to the policy title

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy ACBA – Transgender Students Guidelines

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

The policy was recommended at the Superintendent’s Conference.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy EEBB – Use of Private Vehicles for School Business

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy GBEC – Drug-Free Workplace

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy IMGA – Service Animals in Schools with revision

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

Addition of the word “School” in front of “Board” on page 3 in the paragraph after item “G”.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy JJIBC – Relations with Boosters and Outside Organizations with revision

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

Add word “be” after “will” in item “H”.

There was discussion regarding all funds being in the student activities fund and the funds not to be used to offset the budget.

Voted: 4 - Yes 1 - No (Kevin Gregory) 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy JLCB – Immunization of Students

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: To approve the first reading of new School Board policy JLCCA – Communicable/Infectious Diseases

Motioned by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Motion by: Warren Steward **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, March 10, 2015 – Regular Meeting in Stearns Junior-Senior High School Library at 4:00 PM.

Tuesday, March 24, 2015 - Warrant Meeting in Stearns Junior-Senior High School Library at 4:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis N. Boynton
Superintendent of Schools