

School Administrative District 8 Board Minutes

January 19, 2022

5:15 PM Business Meeting/5:30 Regular Meeting

Board Members present via Zoom – Ali McCarthy, Rachel Noyes, Caitlin Clapham, Penny Lazaro, and Sue Dempster

Administration via Zoom – Valerie Mckenney, Superintendent, Monte Selby, Principal, Bryan Feezor, Assistant Principal and Tina Davidson, Business Manager

- I. Call to order – Chair A. McCarthy 5:30 PM
- II. **A McCarthy motion to approve December 15, 2021 minutes/R Noyes second (5-0) A McCarthy motion to amend and approve January 7, 2021 Emergency meeting to show that R Noyes was not present/C Clapham second (4-0, 1 abstain)**
- III. Adjustment to Agenda – Policy AD-R should be second read and move a portion of the Principals report to be item IV on the agenda
- IV. Monte Selby shared information with an update regarding the current status of Covid in the state and locally. Current information from EOC was included. The school board asked questions and then invited the community to ask questions. After discussion, the following motion was made:
Motion made to stay in remote learning for another week and check in on January 26, 2022 A McCarthy/R Noyes second (3-2)
- V. Persons desiring to address the Board -None
- VI. Board Chair - None
- VII. Personnel - None
- VIII. Principal's Report
Taylor Leach discussed all the changes made to the library this past fall and is excited to be able to have a fresh look for the students when they return from remote learning.
Updated about what to expect from DEAR VH, ISLE when returning to school.
- IX. Superintendent of Schools Report
 - A. Teacher Negotiations Update – Negotiations will begin in early February.
 - B. Strategic Plan – Goals for 21-22 were discussed. Main goal is to always elevate and maintain the level of pride felt by the Vinalhaven Staff, students and community.
 - C. Bus Update – Updated board as to where we are at with the electric bus. Hoping to have that in July 2022.
 - D. Budget – Will present the timeline next board meeting.

E. Freedom of Access Law Training for the board – Valerie provided the website where the board would get the training. Sue Dempster had completed at this time.

F. School Board and Policy – Recommendation from the superintendent to use the services of MSMA to review and provide recommendations for all policies. After a discussion a motion was made.

Motion to approve services provided by MSMA at a cost to review and provide recommendations for all policies A McCarthy/C Clapham seconds (5-0)

X. Questions of Board Members -none

XI. Policy Consideration

A. Vinalhaven School Vision Policy AD-R Second Read

Motion to approve and adopt A McCarthy/C Clapham seconds (5-0)

XII. Old Business - None

XIII. New Business - None

XIV. Set date for January 26, 2022 Special Meeting and February 16, 2022 Regular Meeting.

XV. Adjourn – 7:30