

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #86  
BARNSTEAD SCHOOL BOARD**

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**MINUTES**

Barnstead School Board  
Tuesday, February 20, 2018  
Barnstead Elementary School

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Members Present: Eunice Landry, Chairperson  
Diane Beijer, Vice-Chairperson  
Kathy Grillo, Member  
Jason Henry, Member  
Lyla Adkins, Member

Others Present: Tim Rice, Principal  
Jeni Laliberte, Assistant Principal  
Emily Reese, Special Education Director  
Brian Cochrane, Superintendent  
Donna Clairmont, Business Administrator  
Members of the Faculty  
Members of the Public

Chairperson Landry called the meeting to order at PM in the Library of the Barnstead Elementary School.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All present rose to pledge allegiance to the flag.

**III. NON-PUBLIC SESSION #1**

The Board was polled and voted unanimously to enter into a Non-Public Session under the provisions of 91-A:3 II (c) – Matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting at 5:46 PM.

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Mr. Henry, the Board voted to enter non-public session with a vote of 5 – 0 at 5:47 PM.

No action was taken.

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted to come out of non-public with a vote of 5 -0. Public Session resumed at 6:05 PM

#### IV. AGENDA REVIEW

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Ms. Adkins, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as amended:

1. Non-Public (x3)
2. Resignation
3. Track Coach nomination

#### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Mr. Henry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the School District Meeting minutes of January 31, 2018 as submitted.

#### VI. PUBLIC INPUT

None

#### VII. BES ADMINISTRATION

##### A. Action Items

##### 1. Nominations

Mr. Rice requested the nomination of Shawn White and Kris Howlett as Track Coaches.

On a motion made by Ms. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Administration and approve Shawn White and Kris Howlett as Track Coaches.

##### 2. Resignations

The Board was informed of the resignation of Stephanie Hurley at the end of this school year.

On a motion made by Mr. Henry and seconded by Ms. Adkins, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Stephanie Hurley with thanks and regrets.

The Board was informed of the resignation of Kristine Roberts.

On a motion made by Mr. Henry and seconded by Ms. Adkins, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Kristine Roberts with thanks and regrets.

##### B. Informational Items

##### 1. BAZ update

The Board was provided with a written report regarding current BAZ activities. It was noted that this next year will be the 5<sup>th</sup> year of a 5 year grant. It is hoped that the grant will be renewed.

2. BES Enrollment

The Board was provided with up-to-date information on enrollment. As of today the enrollment is 496.

3. Grandparent Luncheon Report

Mr. Rice reported on the Grandparent Luncheon that was held on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. This included grandparents for Kindergarten, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. 500 lunches were served in 26 minutes.

Mr. Rice gave kudos to the kitchen staff for a job well done.

4. NH SAS Testing

Mr. Rice informed the Board that this is a new and different test from the State. Testing will occur in March for all students in grades 3 – 8. The test will be taken on-line.

5. SPED Update

Ms. Reese informed the Board that we continue to be busy meeting the needs of our students. We are making some progress with behavioral issues.

6. Jump Rope for Heart

Mr. Rice noted that this is the first time we have participated in Jump rope for Heart. We brought in a jump rope team from the Seacoast and raised \$6000.

VIII. SAU ADMINISTRATION

A. Action Items

1. Ratify vote on Bottom Line

Ms. Clairmont noted that a phone poll was taken last week to approve the budget after the Budget Committee reduced the bottom line by \$13,090.

EL - yes  
JH - yes

DB - yes  
KG - yes

LA – yes

The vote was ratified.

## 2. Finalize Warrant Articles

Ms. Clairmont provided updated Warrant Articles. The only article that changed was Article 13 with a bottom line of \$12,822,840.

## 3. Assignments for District Meeting

Warrant Article 2 – moved - DB  
Seconded - LA

Warrant Article 3 – moved - KG  
Seconded - JH

Warrant Article 4 – moved - DB  
Seconded - JH

Warrant Article 5 – moved - EL  
Seconded - DB

Warrant Article 6 – moved - EL  
Seconded - DB

Warrant Article 7 – moved - LA  
Seconded - DB

Warrant Article 8 – moved - JH  
Seconded - EL

Warrant Article 9 – moved - JH  
Seconded - EL

Warrant Article 10 – moved - KG  
Seconded - DB

Warrant Article 11 – moved - LA  
Seconded - EL

Warrant Article 12 – moved - LA  
Seconded - EL

## 4. Administrative Nominations/Renewals

Moved to Non-Public, Session #3

## B. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### 1. Begin Annual Meeting Presentation

Ms. Clairmont provided a print-out of the PowerPoint presentation for the district Meeting. She explained each slide and pointed out areas that need more information.

### 2. Afternoon Pick-ups

Mr. Rice stated that afternoon pick-ups continues to go quickly. The issue seems to be how long parents wait in the parking lot before school is dismissed.

Ms. Adkins suggested making a video for parents similar to the one made for drop-off.

### 3. Auditor Report

The Board was provided with a copy of the Auditor Report. It was noted that there were no findings.

4. PMHS Enrollment

There are currently 220 Barnstead students at PMHS. One student is home schooled and 5 students are in out-of-district placements.

5. PMHS Returned Fund Balance and Returned Fund 5

Ms. Landry noted that there will be money returned to the town from the PMHS Fund Balance and Fund 5.

6. Schedule Work Session

A work session will be held to go over the District Meeting presentation on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6:00 PM.

IX. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

A. Building & Grounds:

None

B. Finance:

Ms. Landry informed that we got through the Budget Committee in a relative easy process. The amount reduced reflects that our budget was firm.

C. Personnel / Policy:

Dr. Cochrane will bring a policy on field trips to the next meeting.

D. Sick Bank:

None

E. Space Needs:

None

F. Strategic Planning:

None

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 6:00 PM in the Media Center of the Barnstead Elementary School. Agenda items include:

1. Reorganization
2. Implementation of reading/writing program
3. Policy

XI. PUBLIC INPUT (Second Session)

Barnstead resident Chris Furtney asked when the Warrant Articles would be posted so community members could review them prior to voting. Ms. Clairmont replied that they will be on the school website next week and will be publically posted at the school, Town Hall and Post Office on Thursday.

Mr. Furtney asked about the bottom line and the difference between last year and this year. Ms. Landry stated that we will be requesting \$12,822,840 and explained expenses.

Mr. Furtney asked if we will have the BAZ program next year if the grant is not renewed. Mr. Rice explained that next year is the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the grant so it is not in jeopardy. This program is completely funded by grant money.

Mr. Furtney stated that BES has an excellent reputation for the SPED program and noted that this is a 2-edged sword because we are doing well by the students but this attracts SPED families to the district and increases taxes. He suggests the Board seek additional money from the state to offset these expenses.

Ms. Landry replied that we budget as best we can and we also have a capital reserve fund to help with out-of-district placements.

Ms. Beijer stated that she has written countless letters over the years addressing this issue. The more people who contact federal legislators regarding unfunded mandates the more likely it is to help.

Wayne Whitney asked if it wouldn't be better for all schools to get together and get with all legislators to note the issue. It was noted that there are organizations such as the NHSBA that do this on a regular basis.

Mr. Whitney asked if there are monitor on the doors for safety. Mr. Rice replied that there are cameras on all outside doors and it takes a key fob to open the doors.

XII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION #2

The Board was polled and voted unanimously to enter into a Non-Public Session under the provisions of 91-A:3 II (c) – Matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a

member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting at 7:05 PM.

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Ms. Adkins, the Board voted to enter non-public session with a vote of 5 – 0 at 7:05 PM.

No action was taken.

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted to come out of non-public session with a vote of 5 – 0 at 7:40 PM.

### XIII. PUBLIC SESSION

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Mr. Henry, the Board voted to seal the minutes of Non-Public Session # 3 with a 5-0 vote.

### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Beijer and seconded by Mr. Henry, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting with a 5-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette Rose  
Recording Secretary