

**MILLINOCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD IN-PERSON (CONFERENCE ROOM); PUBLIC BY ZOOM
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020
5:00 PM**

Richard Angotti, Jr.	Present
Hilary Emery	Present
Kevin Gregory	Present
Peter Jamieson	Present
Warren Steward	Present
Francis Boynton, Superintendent	Present

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Warren Steward, Chairperson.

II. Adjustments to the Agenda

Add XI. To see if the Board will enter into Executive Session 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A) duties of the superintendent

III. Public Comment

Erika Mackin asked to have the Board consider and be flexible to allow virtual students to change to in-person before the 8 week period is over due to technology issues and students being left out of specials.

Laurie Amado asked the Board to reconsider the policy for no spectators for home games.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes of the School Board Meetings September 1, September 8, September 16 and September 22, 2020, barring any errors or omissions.

Motioned by: Richard Angotti

Seconded by: Kevin Gregory

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

V. 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 #21-8 in the amount of \$157,419.68 on October 8, 2020.

Motioned by: Richard Angotti

Seconded by: Kevin Gregory

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VI. 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 #21-12 in the amount of \$291,837.24 on October 8, 2020.

Motioned by: Richard Angotti

Seconded by: Peter Jamieson

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VII. To see if the Board will adopt the following policies:

BEB – Special/Adjourned Board Meetings (Revised)

IHCDA – Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (Revised)

Motion: To adopt the listed policies.

Motioned by: Richard Angotti

Seconded by: Peter Jamieson

Board Discussion:

The legal references were taken off the BEB policy.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

VIII. Reopening Plan Update

The Superintendent relayed information regarding the reopening plan.

After the COVID Team meeting on Friday, virtual parents will be contacted to see who would like to send their student(s) back in-person at the end of the 8 week period.

The staff has done a lot of work for training in virtual instruction. We knew there would be some glitches. It is getting better and will continue to get better.

We are considering cohorts if the in-person attendance is too high to keep social distancing.

We have approximately \$1.5 million in grants to help with the COVID expenses.

We intend to go all virtual on voting day, November 3, to help with parking and have students avoid contact with people coming into the building.

The Board discussed students playing soccer through Schenck can have parents watch games, but our students playing sports here cannot have spectators. The Superintendent relayed that after the Board made their decision, other schools decided to allow spectators after that decision.

The CDC guidelines have not changed. The COVID team should come up with an alternative plan to bring before the Board. Possibly even a shorter amount of time than 8 weeks.

The Board will wait for a response from the COVID team before moving forward.

Discussion regarding spectators at our sporting events.

Motion: To allow cars at the field hockey games (home games only) 2 people from the immediate family only in each vehicle. They must stay in the cars 6 feet apart with a ticket with windows closed and stay inside the vehicle.

Motioned by: Richard Angotti

Seconded by: Peter Jamieson

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

IX. Fall Conference Discussion

The virtual Fall Conference is October 30 & 31. No registration information is available yet.

X. To see if the Board will appoint a School Board Delegate and Alternate to the 2020 Fall Conference.

Motion: To appoint Warren Steward as the Fall Conference delegate.

Motioned by: Kevin Gregory

Seconded by: Peter Jamieson

Board Discussion:

No alternate appointed.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

XI. To see if the Board will enter into Executive Session 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A) duties of the superintendent

No executive session held due to the previous discussion.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Motion by: Richard Angotti

Seconded by: Peter Jamieson

Voted: 5 – Yes

0 - No

0 - Abs

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Tuesday, December 29, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

Francis N. Boynton
Superintendent of Schools