

**Monadnock Regional School District  
Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes  
October 6, 2020  
ZOOM Virtual Meeting, Swanzey, NH**

**Members Present:** Cheryl McDaniel-Thomas and Betty Tatro **Absent:** D. LeClair and Scott Peters.

**Also Present:** Laura Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary

1. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
  
2. **Approval of Minutes: MOTION:** B. Tatro **MOVED** to approve the September 15, 2020 CRC Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** C. McDaniel-Thomas. **VOTE:** B. Tatro-yes and C. McDaniel-Thomas-yes **Motion passes.**
  
3. **Standing Agenda Items:**
  - a. **Work towards goals:**
  
4. **Old Business:**
  - a. B. Tatro explained the Fin/Fac Committee agreed to support the video to be created by K. Barker. She explained the District needs to support the warrant article for design/blueprint fees, which B. Tatro explained the amount on the warrant would be 30% of the fees. She also said the Fin/Fac Committee discussed working with the CRC. The Fin/Fac Committee have a lot on their plate. B. Tatro said the cost of the video is about \$3000.00. The administration will find the funds in the budget. B. Tatro and C. McDaniel-Thomas agreed to bring this proposal to the full Board. C. McDaniel-Thomas explained the committee will not be presenting an itemized list but an amount as they update the communication plan. Not a detailed amount. B. Tatro said the \$3000.00 would be the first expenditure of the \$10,000.00. B. Tatro said K. Barker is more than willing to help us and probably has already started the work on the video.
  
5. **New Business:**
  - a. **Create a timeline of known events:** C. McDaniel-Thomas asked what items should this committee communicate to the public. Do we have a calendar of events for the Board and the Budget Committee? C. McDaniel-Thomas would suggest

reaching out to the people we are inviting to the Joint Meeting. It is not expensive to send out a "Save the Date" postcard. We should communicate the Board/Budget Committee Joint Meeting, the Public Hearing, Deliberative Session and the vote.

**b. Warrant Articles in Plain Language:** The warrant articles in Plain Language would need to be done the week before the election, after Deliberative and before the vote. C. McDaniel-Thomas suggested sending bulk mail. She said the committee could start writing the warrants in Plain Language, we know what will be on the ballot and bring it forward to the Board. There will be 3 contracts and we could start writing those in Plain Language. B. Tatro explained the Fin/Fac Committee agreed on Option 10 which was presented by K. Barker. Option 10 allows the kids to stay in their own towns and COVID to stay in their own towns. K. Barker has changed the thoughts of the committee. We did not discuss the Roxbury students. C. McDaniel-Thomas would like to communicate to the public on how to find the video online. She suggested using the emergency phone system to let people know how to get to the video. B. Tatro suggested the town's emergency phone system. C. McDaniel-Thomas commented we would have to be careful with the wording. It would not hurt to ask the towns. Ask parents to put signs in the windows of their cars. A mailer to get ready for the video notification. C. McDaniel-Thomas suggested at the next meeting do the next steps to get the word out on the video. She will write up all of the events in a timeline form. This is the starting point and it feels really good. B. Tatro would like to invite C. McDaniel-Thomas to the next Fin/Fac. Committee Meeting.

**6. Setting next meeting's date, time and agenda:** November 5, 2020.

- 1. Work on how to get the word out on the video.**
- 2. Warrant Articles in Plain Language**

**7. Public Comments:** There are no public comments.

**8. Adjourn: MOTION:** B. Tatro **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 5:44 PM.

**SECOND:** C. McDaniel-Thomas **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Laura L. Aivaliotis**

**Recording Secretary**