Monadnock Regional School District (MRSD) Extra-Curricular Meeting Minutes May 10, 2018 (corrected) The Annex, Swanzey, NH

Members Present: Winston Wright, Scott Peters and Kristen Noonan.

Also Present: T. Cote, Athletic Director, L. Spencer, MS/HS Principal and Laura Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary.

- 1. Public Comments: There are no Public Comments.
- 2. Election of Chair: S. Peters explained E. Stanley stepped down as the Chair so a new chair is needed. MOTION: S. Peters MOVED to nominate K. Noonan as the Extra-Curricular Chair. SECOND: W. Wright. DISCUSSION: MOTION: K. Noonan MOVED to nominate S. Peters as Extra-Curricular Chair. No Second. VOTE on K. Noonan as Chair: Unanimous for those present. Motion passes. S. Peters explained to K. Noonan what is required as a committee chair. He suggested bringing copies of the previous minutes and prepare an agenda for each meeting. He would also suggest inviting T. Cote and L. Spencer to the meetings for any updates and also to ask them what they are thinking and what they might need.
- 3. Coaches and Stipends: L. Spencer passed out a packet to the committee regarding the coaches and advisor's stipend positions. She would like to discuss the stipends and adjust the amounts where needed. L. Spencer said we have clubs at the MS/HS that have not run in years. She would like to support what the kids are currently interested in and involved in. S. Peters commented there is not a consistent process on how to approve people to these positions. The Board is only required to approve certified staff. T. Cote would suggest getting rid of the clubs or sports that are not active. L. Spencer would like to gather information on the club advisors and see how often they meet. She would like to work with the principals to discuss the different advisors and she would like to adjust some of the stipend amounts. The group discussed the teacher's involvement in coaching sports or being advisors. They would encourage more teachers and staff to become involved. K. Noonan would like to see the list of staff and teachers who are involved. S. Peters asked both T. Cote and L. Spencer what they have struggled with that they would like the Board to help with. T. Cote would like to be able to advertise for better coaching positions. W. Wright would like to have a multi-year contract for some coaches. L. Spencer said athletics take a lot of effort and time. T. Cote would love to have teachers who are coaches. There was a discussion on paying extra money to teachers that are coaches. W. Wright said the Board had previously increased the stipend amounts. He would like to see the coach stipends and the advisor stipends separated. S. Peters would like to know the time spent by a coach and the number of students. T. Cote is not sure how to capture that information. T. Cote would like help with scoreboards. S. Peters would like to discuss this at the Board level or possibly have a warrant article. T. Cote said the baseball score board does not work. S. Peters explained there was a discussion

regarding sponsorships with local businesses. What is the approach and the process? W. Wright said this is the time to look at this. It was commented that the Marching Band has to fundraise for uniforms. K. Noonan asked if other sports teams pay for their uniforms. L. Spencer said the district will pay for the basic uniforms. S. Peters and W. Wright said uniforms should be put in the budget. We need to have standards to be fair across the board. We can look at the NHSBA to see what they have. L. Spencer would agree we need to be more consistent.

It was asked in regards to the Extra-Curricular Eligibility Policy if a student is in the class are they allowed to perform in the play or such if you have an F in the class.

The members asked for the administration to bring back 1-3 sentences on the current, active club, what they are about. Should there be a section on the website to let people know what the clubs are about. S. Peters would suggest to K. Noonan to focus on one topic at a time not all of the bits and pieces. Focus on something before the new school year. T. Cote would like to focus on coaches for certain sports because there is a lack of coaches. He would like the elementary schools to focus on certain sports and when the students get to the MS/HS they will want to participate. Focus on the sports that are being offered in the MS/HS. T. Cote would like to rotate the sports being offered on the Step up Day. S. Peters said on Band Day focus not only on band but bring it all together with an art lesson, sports events, band etc. T. Cote would like advertising and recruiting strategies for hiring coaches. It would make life a lot easier. It was suggested the idea of offering teachers/employees a little more of a stipend to be an advisor or a coach. It was suggested to identify a small pool of encumbered funds to offer a stipend to employees in order for them to step up and coach. The stipends need to be recalculated. Identify funds in order to have flexibility in the future year. Have the administration work with L. Witte and meet as a committee prior to June on the stipends and positions that are not on the list. S. Peters would suggest a sound system stipend. The administration may have other stipends they would like to add.

- S. Peters would suggest reviewing the Committee Charter and set key goals for the year.
- **4. Setting the next meeting's date:** Thursday, June 7, 2018 6:00 PM in the Annex.
- **5. Adjourn: MOTION:** S. Peters **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 PM. **SECOND:** W. Wright **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Aivaliotis
Recording Secretary