

**Monadnock Regional School District (MRSD)**  
**School Board Meeting Minutes**  
**(Approved Minutes)**  
**January 8, 2013**  
**Monadnock Regional MS/HS, Swanzey, NH**

**Members Present:** Ed Jacod, Pat Bauries, Winston Wright, Mark Funk, Barry Faulkner, Robert Smith, Jen Labadie, Phyllis Peterson, Lisa Steadman, E. Stanley, James Carnie and Mike Blair.

**Absent:** Scott Ellsworth, Mike Morrison and Richard Thackston.

**Administration present:** L. Corriveau, Superintendent, K. Craig, Assistant Superintendent and J. Fortson, Business Manager.

“The goal of the Monadnock Regional Board is to be the Best School District in the State.

J. Carnie opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

**1.PUBLIC COMMENTS:** N. Moriarty commented on the SRO and gave reasons on why the District should not hire one. He said the SRO is not the answer. The school is the safest place for the children to be. He also commented that there will be an increase in taxes because of the withdrawal of Sullivan. The high school is \$3000.00 over per pupil cost. He also commented the petitioned articles were typed by the SAU 93 which was not right.

**2. Consent Agenda: MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** to accept the December 18, 2012 School Board Meeting Minutes as presented except for section 7. **SECOND:** E. Stanley **VOTE:** 7.750/0/2.879/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** E. Jacod **MOVED** to accept the December 18, 2012 9:40 PM Non-Public Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** P. Petersons **VOTE:** 7.750/0/2.879/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** E. Jacod **MOVED** to accept the December 18, 2012 9:51 PM Non-Public Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** E. Stanley **VOTE:** 7.750/0/2.879/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**3. Student Government Report:** Jill and Kayla of the Student Government informed the Board they have been discussing plans to go to the Leadership Conference. They will be having a Winter Pep Rally for the Winter Sports. They will have a student concern meeting with J. Butterfield to discuss the student concerns. The Leadership Conference is for area Student Governments to meet and share ideas.

4. **BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:** J. Carnie would like to change the agenda and discuss the warrant articles. They discussed the articles at Finance and took positions.

**Article One: The proposed budget in the amount of \$32,409,110.00** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to support Article One as presented. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.** B. Smith informed the Board the Budget Committee has not accepted the default number. J. Carnie explained it is understood.

**Article Two: The renovations to the high school in the amount of \$1,548,627.00.** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to support Article Two as presented. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **DISCUSSION:** The District will be getting 56% of the amount back from the State. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Three: Health and Safety Article.** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to remove Article Three and focus on the renovations. **SECOND:** E. Stanley. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Four: 2003 Special Education Expendable Trust Fund.** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to remove Article Four. **SECOND:** E. Stanley. **DISCUSSION:** It was explained that the balance is at \$250,000.00 which was the goal of the Board. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Three: Before and After School Expendable Trust Fund in the amount of \$75,000.00.** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to support Article Three as presented. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.639/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Four: Collective Bargaining Agreement between MAPS and the MRSB in the amount of \$52,811.00 for the first year of the two year contract.** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to support Article Four as presented. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 10.356/0/.639/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Five: To amend the composition of the MRSB.** **MOTION:** P. Bauries. **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to support Article Five as presented. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **DISCUSSION:** It was commented that the Budget Committee does not have to support or not support this article it does not have money tied to it. J. Carnie asked why this is not effective until March 2014. J. Fortson explained March is when the members are elected. E. Jacod commented he liked the 15 member Board due to the large work load and the committees. P. Peterson suggested combining the committees to help with the work load and have everyone on the committees. A

friendly amendment was to add the word “upon” in the following sentence: To see if upon the withdrawal of the Town of Sullivan from the District. A friendly amendment also is to strike the “Budget Committee supports/does not support this article. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Nine: 2003 School Building Maintenance Expendable Trust. MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to remove Article Nine. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Seven: By Petition: To change the formula for apportionment:** The Board is taking no position on this article.

**Article Six: Up to \$200,000.00 to be placed in the 2009 School Building Capital Reserve Fund from the sale of the Sullivan School. MOTION:** P. Bauries. **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to support Article Six. **SECOND:** E. Stanley. **DISCUSSION:** J. Fortson explained this article is set by statute. J. Labadie commented this is not a sale. J. Fortson informed the Board this is the language used and approved by the State for the sale of the Surry School. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Eight: By Petition: Contracting the services of a SRO in the amount of \$56,787.67.** P. Bauries explained the Finance Committee is not taking a position on this article. N. Moriarty commented that this will require an up or down by the Budget Committee. The wording should be added. **MOTION:** W. Wright **MOVED** to add the wording “The Budget Committee supports/does not support this article.” **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 8.702/.235/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**Article Nine: To receive and approve the reports of the agents. MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to take no position Article Nine. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

*M. Blair arrives.*

**Article Ten: To listen to opinions. MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to accept Article Ten as presented. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** W. Wright **MOVED** to have the attorney read the contents of the warrant articles. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

M. Funk informed the Board Article Seven was brought up by Roxbury due to the high amount of per pupil cost they pay compared to other towns in the District.

## **5. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

**5a. Curriculum Report:** K. Craig passed out an article to the Board by Jean Carter on reforming our schools and the sense of urgency. She reminded the Board of the in service day and welcomed them to attend the presentation.

**6. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

**6a. Correspondence and Announcements:** L. Corriveau passed out his report to the Board. He updated the Board on the Annual Report. The document will be in a more usable document. The reports will focus on the Strategic Plans at all the schools. The administrative and the central office teams are working hard. He thanked the Board for their support.

**6b. Other Issues of Importance:** B. Tatro and J. Smith reported that due to the efforts of both their schools with pumpkin carving they have been awarded a \$500.00 grant at both schools. The funds will be used for educational endeavors and the library. **MOTION:** M. Blair **MOVED** to accept the two \$500.00 grants, one for Mt. Caesar and one for Cutler. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

The MAPS testing has begun for all elementary schools, the Middle School and the high school.

J. Butterfield informed the Board that the Physical Science Dept. has received the Dig into Science Award in the amount \$1000.00. The funds will be used for a science field trip or science program. **MOTION:** E. Jacod. **MOVED** to accept the Dig into Science Award in the amount of \$1000.00. **SECOND:** W. Wright. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.** J. Nikiforakis is the Air Rifle State Champion and will be going to Colorado Springs to compete. The staff continues working on the Strategic Plan. They are writing across the curriculum.

N. Richardson reported they have fixed the handicapped parking, fixed the door handles and will meet with the Fitzwilliam police to update on what is going on the emergency management.

**7. BOARD CHAIR REPORT:** There is no report.

**8. SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**8a. Community Relations Committee:** L. Steadman informed the Board the committee met tonight. They will meet at Cutler on Wednesday Jan. 16, 2013 to have banter with the Board. They will meet before the next Board Meeting.

**8b. Education Committee:** P. Bauries reported the committee met this morning. There will be motions coming from the committee later in the meeting. She informed the Board T. Kennett is investigating locations for his program. The Homestead Woolen Mill could be a good fit. It would cost \$1500.00 a month plus utilities. They are looking to have 12 students in the program. They will investigate with other

Districts. The committee had a presentation from J. Butterfield on the master schedule. A lot of work went into this and these changes need to come into place.

**8c. Finance Committee:** P. Bauries reported the committee met and reviewed the warrant articles and made recommendations. They will have motions later in the meeting. They also discussed forming a committee to inventory the Sullivan School. The next meeting is on Jan. 30, 2013.

**8d. Facilities Committee:** E. Stanley reported the committee will be meeting on January 15, 2013.

**8e. Policy Committee:** M. Blair reported the committee met and will be making motions later in the meeting. They will be meeting on January 31, 2013.

**8f. Budget Committee Rep.:** E. Stanley reported the committee met but did not have a quorum. The Public Hearing will be on Thursday, January 10, 2013.

**8g. Technology Committee:** M. Blair reported the committee did not meet.

**8h. Negotiations/Human Resources Committee:** P. Bauries reported the committee is still negotiating with the Specialists. They will not have an agreement ready for the March 2013 vote hopefully the March 2014 vote.

**8i. Cheshire Career Center:** W. Wright reported the committee has not met.

**8j. Wellness Committee:** L. Steadman reported the committee met today. She reported some schools in the District have received fresh fruits and vegetables awards. The local produce is being used for the schools. They will inventory all healthy activities in each school.

**9. OLD BUSINESS: MOTION:**

**9a. Other Old Business as may come before the Board:** There is no Old Business.

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

**10a. Motions from the Policy Committee: MOTION:** M. Blair. **MOVED** on behalf of the Policy Committee to accept Policy ECAA Video Cameras in Classrooms, Hallways, School Buses and Other district Property as presented.

**SECOND:** R. Smith. **DISCUSSION:** P. Bauries asked if we are invading privacy. L. Corriveau explained the attorneys have reviewed this policy. We do have to post that the cameras are in use. This is common practice. This policy is to protect the teachers and the students. J. Butterfield explained there are 30 cameras on separate servers with no audio. The policy is helpful to us he said. **VOTE:**

11.093/0/.693/3.214.**Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** M. Blair **MOVED** on behalf of the Policy Committee to accept Policy GCD Contracted Work Year Leave as presented. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** M. Blair **MOVED** on behalf of the Policy Committee to accept the revision as written of Policy IHBA Learning Disabilities Evaluation. **SECOND:** R. Smith **VOTE:** 10.2/0/1.761/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** M. Blair **MOVED** on behalf of the Policy Committee to accept Policy IHBA-R Learning Disabilities Evaluation Procedures as presented with the changes made in the reference. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 10.2/0/1.526/3.214. **Motion passes.**

The Board agreed to table the discussion on Policy IKE-R Elementary Student Retention K-6 Procedures until the next meeting. The information will be in the Board packets.

**10b. Motions from the Education Committee:** **MOTION:** J. Carnie **MOVED** on behalf of the Education Committee to accept and support the “Five Academic Period Rotating Class Schedule” as presented by Principal Butterfield. **SECOND:** R. Smith. **DISCUSSION:** J. Carnie explained that they had a very good presentation. The Board asked specific questions of the schedule. J. Butterfield explained there was a lot of feedback and discussion with the teachers on the proposed master schedule. M. Blair thanked J. Butterfield and the staff for the hard work to meet the timeline the Board proposed. It was discussed in detail. J. Carnie commented that it has been very positive with the creation of the Education Committee. It has allowed a greater flow of education with the School Board and the administration. Had the committee not been formed some of the changes would be more difficult. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**10c. Motions from the Finance Committee:** **MOTION:** J. Carnie **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance committee that working at home for Monadnock Regional School District employee is not to be considered a replacement of the contracted normal work day. Exceptions may be granted by the Superintendent. **SECOND:** M. Blair. **VOTE:** 9.800/0/1.058/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** J. Carnie **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to form a sub-committee to determine the inventory at the Sullivan School site, both indoors and outdoors. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** J. Carnie **MOVED** on behalf of the Finance Committee to allow the Superintendent to streamline the Annual Report with the backup detailed information to be placed on the Web site for viewing. **SECOND:** M. Blair. **DISCUSSION:** It was commented the current method is becoming huge. They are trying to reduce it. The report should be like a shareholders report. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** to accept the manifest in the amount of \$1,867,139.71. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes** (E. Jacod missing from vote)

**10d. Motions from the Community Relations Committee:** There were no motions from the CRC.

**10e. Other Old Business as may come before the Board:** **MOTION:** W. Wright **MOVED** to allow Project Graduation to hold a number of fund raisers throughout the year. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** M. Blair **MOVED** to allow the High School Interact Club to hold an Easter Lily Fund Raiser. **SECOND:** P. Peterson. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** P. Peterson. **MOVED** to allow the Special Olympics to sell items for the Penguin Plunge fund raiser. **SECOND:** P. Bauries. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

The Girls Varsity Tennis Team would like to ask businesses for donations and then place the businesses names on the tee shirts. **MOTION:** M. Blair. **MOVED** to table this request until the Policy Committee can meet and review the policy regarding this issue. **SECOND:** E. Stanley. **VOTE:** 9.910/0/1.786/3.214. **Motion passes.**

**MOTION:** P. Peterson **MOVED** to allow the Class of 2014 Student Council a Student Faculty Basketball Game Fundraiser and to sell food items. The event will take place on January 26, 2013. **SECOND:** W. Wright. **VOTE:** 11.093/0/.693/3.214. **Motion passes.**

## **11. SETTING NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA:**

**11a. Delete ADHOC Science on the agenda**

**12. Public Comments:** There are no Public Comments.

**13. Motion to go into Non-Public Session at 9:50 PM:** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** to enter into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 II © Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person. **SECOND:** P. Peterson **VOTE:** E. Jacod, W. Wright, L. Steadman, M. Blair, P. Bauries, J. Carnie, E. Stanley, R. Smith, P. Peterson, J. Labadie, B. Faulkner and M. Funk. **Motion passes.**

**14. Public Session:** **MOTION:** P. Bauries **MOVED** to seal the 9:50 PM January 8, 2013 Non-Public Meeting Minutes until the next meeting. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 10.035/0/.693/4.272. **Motion passes.**

**15. Motion to go into Non-Public Session at 10:35 PM: MOTION:** E.Jacod **MOVED** to enter into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (e) Pending Litigation.

**SECOND:** M. Funk **VOTE:** E. Jacod, W. Wright, M. Blair, P. Bauries, J. Carnie, E. Stanley, L. Steadman, R. Smith, J. Labadie, P. Peterson, B. Faulkner and M. Funk **Motion passes.**

**16. Motion to go into Non-Public Session at 10:40 PM: MOTION:** W. Wright **MOVED** to enter into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b) Hiring of a Public Employee. **SECOND:** E. Jacod **VOTE:** E. Jacod, W. Wright, M. Blair, P. Bauries, J. Carnie, E. Stanley, L. Steadman, R. Smith, J. Labadie, P. Peterson, B. Faulkner and M. Funk **Motion passes.**

**17. Public Session:** The Union has requested members of the School Board to sit on the Sick Bank Committee. B. Faulkner and P. Bauries have volunteered to sit on the committee.

W. Wright, J. Fortson, D. LaPointe, J. Carnie and J. Labadie will form the Sullivan School Inventory Committee.

**18. Motion to adjourn: MOTION:** E. Jacod **MOVED** to adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:50 PM. **SECOND:** W. Wright **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Aivaliotis  
Recording secretary