

**Monadnock Regional School District
Extra-Curricular Committee Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2022
SAU Conference Room/Zoom Meeting
Swanzey, NH**

Members Present: Eric Stanley, Dan LeClair and Brian Bohannon

Also Present: J. Rathbun, Assistant Superintendent, F. Ashworth, Director of After School Program via Zoom and L. Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary.

1. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

2. **Approval of the ECC Meeting Minutes: MOTION:** B. Bohannon **MOVED** to approve the September 15, 2022 ECC Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** D. LeClair **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

3. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Afterschool program:** F. Ashworth said there is nothing that she needs for the program. The Troy and Emerson Programs are up and running. All 4 elementary schools are open and at capacity. There is a wait list. The identified children are first on the list. Parents are very patient. There are 50 children a day at each site. We have staffing and we can now function on a daily basis. We will start the Middle School Program soon. We are working on it. There are high school students working at the program. She is trying to see how students might be able to receive high school credit for working at the afterschool program. The students from the high school are amazing, very professional. There are 9 students working in the program and 4 hiring forms have been sent out.

4. **New Business:**
 - a. **Husky Non-sport Hall of Fame:** E. Stanley suggested a Non-Sport Hall of Fame. recognizing students who have gone over and above. Students who are maybe alumni who have gone to great success. D. LeClair suggested forming a committee to explore this idea. E. Stanley suggested asking the alumni for nominations. Nominations of athletes, DI participants, alumni, community members or a teacher. We need to think about criteria. D. LeClair suggested dedicating a wall for Seniors that will tell which school they will be attending or what branch of service they will be going into. J.Rathbun commented that the Senior Class takes care of the Senior Wall in the hallway. E. Stanley would like to talk to the Student Government. J. Rathbun would suggest talking to the Senior Class.
 - b. **Championship/Awards/Coach of the Year-Record Keeping:** E.Stanley mentioned that S. Peters had put together a list of championships earned by

Monadnock. This information should be on the website in one spot. D. LeClair suggested an online archive. J. Rathbun said we have collected all of the information but the administration is at capacity. We are stretched. E. Stanley mentioned it as a Senior Project. E. Stanley mentioned the school Facebook page and the alumni Facebook page. J. Rathbun said the information is in the basement. It would be great if someone would take the old information and do something with it. E. Stanley would like to put it on Facebook to see if anyone is interested in forming a group.

c. Other new business: The ECC had asked the Policy Committee to come up with a policy that would maintain and update a list of coaches and advisors. The Policy committee prepared Policy IGF Athletic and Extracurricular Contacts. **MOTION:** B. Bohannon **MOVED** to accept the Policy IGF Athletic and Extracurricular Contacts as presented and forward to the full Board. **SECOND:** D. LeClair. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

5. Old Business:

a. Expanding Extracurricular participation: The committee would like to leave this on the agenda.

b. Discuss Extra-curricular Fair in Fall/Date: J. Rathbun had spoken to L. Spencer and they both think the Fair is a great idea. The only problem is that the Student Government is just starting to form and in the Fall, we are at full capacity with activities. There is a lot going on. E. Stanley commented that we need to expand now. We had been talking about this for a while. D. LeClair suggested after Christmas break. B. Bohannon suggested doing it online. E. Stanley said they may not attend. He said December will be too late. E. Stanley would like to talk to L. Spencer. D. LeClair said we are running out of time. We do not meet until November. J. Rathbun said there needs to be more conversation. We did talk about this and L. Spencer said there is a lot going on. He said it is a great idea but this committee is not getting the message. It is possible to do this in January but not at this time. E. Stanley said it is important to do it now. What about putting up tables during lunch. D. LeClair suggested one group sets up each day. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.

c. Stipends: A list of stipends from Monadnock and Kearsarge were presented to the committee. They wanted to compare the amounts. It is not apples to apples. J. Rathbun said that Jaffrey Rindge is a great comparison for this district. E. Stanley said that these stipends have not been looked at in years. There was a motion to increase the stipends years ago but the Board did not agree. The committee talked about having teachers as coaches or advisors. B. Bohannon said there is a benefit of doing that. J. Rathbun said that Monadnock has a huge amount of sports and clubs. He would be willing to ask all of the districts in the Southwest Region for their stipend information. He also mentioned that the co-curricular is in the contract. It is not good to increase coaches and not the lead teachers. He suggested looking at athletics and then the co-curricular. It will be interesting to see when the MS After School Program starts up. Maybe use Beyond the Bell to become the full club. It is covered under the grant. J.

Rathbun would suggest one way of setting the stipend for the clubs is the number of students. He also mentioned there is a very healthy athletics line.

d. District Artwork Scholarship: J. Rathbun had found out that the Board may start a scholarship. The funds will be in an expendable trust which is voted on by the voters and the funds from the surplus at the end of the year will fund it. The committee suggested a scholarship in the amount of \$1000.00 to a Senior each year. It was also commented that it may not be the best year to establish this with the bond going on the ballot. J. Rathbun suggested a recognition with no cost involved and then possibly years later fund it. It is an outstanding idea.

e. Upcoming Facilities Projects: E. Stanley explained that the Finance/Facilities Committee is working on the tennis court issue. J. Rathbun explained J. Morin and T. Breen are gathering bids. The cost could be over \$400,000.00. He also said resurfacing the courts would be a waste of funds. E. Stanley commented if we are looking at the tennis courts we may need to look at a bigger space. Look at other locations.

f. Other Old Business: B. Bohannon asked if the District requires the students to sign a code of conduct or does the coach require it. J. Rathbun was not aware of a student signing a code of conduct for individual coaches. He will contact T. Cote. B. Bohannon said it is a good idea to have a District code of conduct and to have T. Cote oversee it.

6. Second Public Comments: There were no public comments.

7. Setting next meeting date and agenda: The committee will meet on November 3, 2022.

8. Motion to Adjourn: MOTION: B. Bohannon **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM. **SECOND:** D. LeClair **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**Respectfully submitted,
Laura L. Aivaliotis
MRSD Recording Secretary**