Monadnock Regional School District Education/Technology Meeting Minutes January 24, 2024 (corrected 2/28/2024) SAU Conference Room, Swanzey, NH

Members Present: Stephanie Lawlor, Scott Peters and Edmond LaPlante. **Absent:** Brian Bohannon.

Also Present: J. Rathbun, Superintendent and L. Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary.

- 1. Call the Meeting to Order: S.Lawlor called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM.
- **2. Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
- 3. Next Steps: J.Rathbun will be attending a Summit with the elementary principals and will be coming back to this committee with an update.

It was discussed to take each of the 2023/24 Education Philosophies in depth. Maybe at a possible workshop. S.Peters asked the committee how do we go deeper and stick with it. S.Lawlor would suggest planning for this year. E.LaPlante would suggest the committee prioritize which is most important. S.Lawlor would like to hear from J. Rathbun and look at Level 1 and Level 2. S.Peters is not sure that J. Rathbun will use the information from the Summit. He needs to report out to this committee. E.LaPlante would like to wait and see what J. Rathbun has to report. S.Peters said if you put the Board in a room for 2 hours what would get done and how organized would it be. E. LaPlante commented on the importance of academics and a way to explain it. S.Peters said there are two things, academics and public perception. S.Lawlor commented that the next step is to break down each philosophy by either the Board or this committee. It was commented that there are too many people on the Board. S.Peters asked how do we bring the Board along and not waste time. He suggested either a retreat or workshop to deep dive, take something apart, create something, a topic and have an outcome. E.LaPlante suggested identifying the problem, having a solution and coming up with pros and cons. The committee would like to take a philosophy, review the policies that may go along with each and create 3 bullets. This is the exercise of going deeper.

The committee came up with strategies for the committee and for the Board.

S.Peters presented the MRSD Board Goal Setting Cycle on the screen. S.Peters commented that this committee has a document and he would encourage the committee to build on it.

The committee discussed a survey regarding the culture and climate of the school district. S.Peters explained this was done a few years ago. It was also explained that a survey is a lot of work. It is possible for a third party to conduct the survey at a cost. S.Lawlor would suggest the administration giving the survey to the staff from the Board.

If the committee were to deep dive into the policies it would be useful to bring the Board in. The retreat at this time seems premature. We need the policies first. In year two we can develop the Board retreat.

When J. Rathbun returns, this committee will be able to discuss the Marzano Summitt with him.

- 4. Motion to Approve the January 10, 2024 Ed/Tech Meeting Minutes: MOTION: S.Peters MOVED to approve the January 10, 2024 Ed/Tech Meeting Minutes as presented. SECOND: E.LaPlante. VOTE: Unanimous for those present. Motion passes.
- 5. Setting the next meeting's date, time and agenda: February 27, 2024 at 6:00 PM J. Rathbun will be present and give an overview of the Summitt.
- **6. Public Comments:** There are no comments.
- 7. **Motion to adjourn: MOTION:** S. Peters **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. **SECOND:** E. LaPlante **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Aivaliotis
Recording Secretary