

Surry School Board Meeting
Surry Village Charter School 449 Route 12A Surry, NH
Monday, May 20, 2024
7:00 pm

Call to Order: 7:04pm

Secretary's Report – Approval of minutes April 15, 2023 pushed to next month.

Treasurer's Report - Manifest

\$132,734.02 in; 992, 892.27 out. Carol motioned to accept the manifest in the amount of \$992,892.27. Melinda seconded; all in favor

Still receiving months' old invoices from SVCS, some as old as 7 months

Public Comment

Bruce Smith read paragraphs from newspaper article re: Chesterfield retaining overage funds instead of returning them to the town. Tim noted that we asked the town this at a prior year annual school district meeting and residents said that they would prefer overages are returned to the town instead of retaining them. He also read a School District warrant from 3/23 about appropriating up to \$30k/year to special education reserve fund

Old Business

- SVCS building update.
 - Heating & ventilation report. We are waiting for an engineer's report from Houghton.
 - Fire inspection report. John updated that there was a fire inspection with Josh Brooks (Chief) and a state fire marshal. Minor issues were identified; all must be complete by 7/15/24. Nicole signed report.
 - SVCS lease. Lease should be ready to be signed next month.
- AREA planning meeting review.
- Annual meeting is Wed night; Tim will attend. All AREA members will be given student reports once yearly. After discussion, we will request our report in April. Per AREA agreement, a single person from the AREA districts can sit on KSD committees as voting members (5 total, Finance, Curriculum, Policy, Facility, Personnel). By Oct we need to have a public hearing in Surry, and the SSB will need to vote. Note: There is no AREA agreement for elementary as we are the only district sending to Keene for those grade levels.
- School Board clerk – Melinda will need to go to Town Clerk to be sworn in
- Policies - adopted
Tim motioned to the following policies as well as the policy cover sheet; John seconded, all in favor of adopting
 - School Board policy cover – second reading/vote to adopt.
 - Policy BBA: Board Powers and Duties – second reading/vote to adopt.
 - Policy BBAA: School Board Member Authority – second reading/vote to adopt.

- Policy CB: District Superintendent – second reading/vote to adopt.
- Policies - In review
 - This policy will be held until next month (there are edits): Policy BDB: Board Officers and Elected Officials – second reading/vote to adopt.
- Other
 - Discussed appointment of a Moderator and the process we need to follow

New Business

- Policy DB: Annual Budget – first reading.
- Policy BCA: School Board Member Ethics and Conflict of Interest – first reading.
- LEAF Charter School closure. Some students now attending Keene

Superintendent's Report

Jodie Holquist started and will be working with Nathan until the end of the school year. She takes over on 7/1/24.

Setting the Next Meeting Agenda

Meeting date: Monday, June 17, 2024 @ 7:00pm

Public Comment

Bruce suggested that we ask Keene if we can guarantee that we pay only a range rather than based on enrollment. Tim noted that he doesn't believe Keene would accept this. Melinda asked if Bruce was suggesting we pay in that range regardless, even if paying by enrollment would have cost less some years and Bruce confirmed yes, that's what he was suggesting.

Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 if necessary

Tim motioned that we move into non-public at 8:05pm. Frank seconded, all in favor. Details of a contract and a vendor specific to a student were discussed, as was census information. Motion made to move out of non-public by Frank at 8:15pm. Tim seconded, all in favor

Adjourned 8:16pm