

1 Mont Vernon School Board

2 Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

3 Meeting Minutes- Approved 04 07 2022

4 Attendees:

5 Administrative Team: Adam Steel- Superintendent, Steven Chamberlin- Assistant  
6 Superintendent of Secondary Education and Christine Landwehrle- Assistant Superintendent of  
7 Elementary Education.

8 Mont Vernon School Board: Sarah Lawrence- Chair, Pete Eckhoff- Vice Chair, Jessica  
9 Hinckley- Secretary, Kristen Clark and George Torres.

10 Board Minutes: Danae A. Marotta

11 Public: None

12 I. Call to Order

13 **Superintendent, Mr. Adam Steel called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.**

14 II. Swearing in of New Elected Board Members

15 Mr. Steel inquired if that has happened.

16 Ms. Hinckley replied no.

17 Mr. Steel noted that because Ms. Hinckley is filling in her existing seat she can still participate  
18 because she is still a board member from the previous term.

19 III. Board Seat Interviews

20 Mr. Steel noted that the school board is going to have a vacancy as of early April. Mr. O'Keefe  
21 will be resigning his position on the Mont Vernon School Board at that time, subsequent to  
22 tonight's meeting and the SAU meeting in the first week of April. The board has posted for  
23 applicants for the vacant seat, and they have received one application, Mr. George Torres.

24 Ms. Lawrence asked Mr. Torres why he is applying for the vacant seat.

25 Mr. Torres replied that he is a newer resident of Mont Vernon and although he was on other  
26 boards and committees and felt it as an opportunity to contribute.

27 Ms. Clark asked Mr. Torres what skills he is bringing to the board.

28 Mr. Torres explained his background in finance and his personal experience.

29 Ms. Hinckley asked Mr. Torres what the biggest challenge is facing the district and the board.

30 Mr. Torres replied that he had heard that there was a committee looking into adding on to the  
31 school for additional space. One of the challenges they must be mindful is to address the  
32 priorities.

33 Mr. Steel asked if the board had a preference to make the nomination.

34 Ms. Lawrence replied to make the nomination but keep the seat pending.

35 **Ms. Lawrence motioned to appoint Mr. George Torres effective April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Ms.**  
36 **Hinckley seconded the motion. Motion carries 4-0-1.**

37 Mr. Torres asked the board what the biggest challenges they are facing.

38 Ms. Hinckley replied the middle school issue.

39 Ms. Lawrence added that they will reconvene the Middle School Tuition Committee to look for a  
40 path forward.

41 Mr. Eckhoff noted that the committee did a nice job.

42 Ms. Clark added that there were a lot of experienced people on the committee.

43 IV. Non-Public Session

44 **Ms. Lawrence motioned to enter into Non-Public Session RSA 91: A3, II (c) at 6:15 PM.**  
45 **Ms. Clark seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous (5-0)**

46 **Roll Call: Lawrence-Yes, Clark- Yes, Hinckley- Yes, O'Keefe- Yes and Eckhoff- Yes.**

47 Other persons present during non-public session: Mr. Steel, Ms. Landwehrle and Mr.  
48 Chamberlin.

49 Description of matters discussed, and final decisions made: Staff nominations

50 V. Public Session

51 Public Session reconvened at 6:27PM.

52 **Ms. Lawrence motioned to reelect the teachers and staff as presented in non-public session.**  
53 **Ms. Hinckley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, motion passed.**

54 **Roll Call: Lawrence-Yes, Clark- Yes, Hinckley- Yes, O'Keefe- Yes and Eckhoff- Yes.**

55 VI. Meeting Adjourned

56 **Ms. Lawrence adjourned the meeting at 6:27PM. Ms. Hinckley seconded the motion. The**  
57 **vote was unanimous, motion passed.**

58 **Roll Call: Lawrence-Yes, Clark- Yes, Hinckley- Yes, O'Keefe- Yes and Eckhoff- Yes.**

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