

**MINUTES**  
**SAU39 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2014**  
**SOUHEGAN HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX ROOM 115/116**

**PRESENT**

SAU39 School Board Members: Peg Bennett, Amy Facey, Paul Prescott, Lucienne Foulks (arrived 7 PM), Christine Janson, Mary Lou Mullens, John Quinlan, Steve Coughlan, Kim Roberge, Tom Driscoll, Fran Harrow, Pim Grondstra (arrived 6 PM)

SAU39 Administrators and Staff: Superintendent Peter Warburton, Meg Beauchamp, Patrick Steenhoek, Nicole Heimark, Kathleen Desmond, Betty Shankel, Porter Dodge, Kathy White, Susan Blair, Christine Landwehrle, Patty Wons, Meg Trainor, Pam Gross, Janet Davis, Carrie James, Rob Scully

Community Members: Dwayne Purvis, Leslie Formby, Peggy Silva, Karen Oates, Kim Ayers, Ava Beaulieu, Kate Thompson

Strategic Planning Facilitator: Joe Miller

Minutes recorded by Christine Janson

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Superintendent Warburton called the meeting to order at 5:37 P.M.

**II. ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD OFFICERS**

Steve Coughlan nominated John Quinlan to serve as Chair of SAU39 School Board. Mr. Quinlan was voted Chair with yes: 9, no: 0, abstain: 1.

Peg Bennett nominated Paul Prescott to serve as Vice Chair of SAU39 School Board. Mr. Prescott was voted Vice Chair with yes: 10, no: 0, abstain: 0.

Fran Harrow nominated Chris Janson as Secretary of SAU39 School Board. Ms. Janson was voted Secretary with yes: 10, no: 0, abstain: 0.

**III. APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**

Steve Coughlan nominated Clark Logan as School District Treasurer for SAU39. Motion was seconded by Paul Prescott. Motion passed unanimously.

The organizational meeting closed at 5:42 P.M.

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## **REGULAR MEETING**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

John Quinlan called the meeting to order at 3:43 P.M.

### **II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **A. Superintendent's Report**

##### **1. High School Math Pilot Update**

Christine Landwehrle presented an overview of the pilot for the high school math resource review. She explained that the process started in the summer of 2013 and throughout the school year, resources were screened and piloted. The Math Program Review Committee will be making a decision and bringing it to the June school board meetings. The intent is to have the new resources for the new school year beginning September 2014.

##### **2. Accountability Information**

Nicole Heimarck presented a proposed model for accountability the NHDOE is pursuing for the state. This spring the state begins the application process for NH's extension to the waiver from NCLB. This extended waiver means the state will have to present to the US DOE a key element of this waiver will include NH's proposed system for accountability. The proposed system allows for local school boards to choose among three options: 1. the current system (SBAC - Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium grade 3-8 and 11), 2. CCR, College and Career Readiness System (combination of SBAC and a suite of tests that may include IB, SAT, ACT...), and 3. PACE, Performance Assessment in Competency Education ( to include a combination of local and state developed performance assessments in addition to the administration of SBAC three times K-12).

##### **3. Superintendent Evaluation**

Mr. Quinaln state that the evaluation will be delayed until September.

### **III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **IV. STRATEGIC PLANNING**

Joe Miller gave an introduction to the SAU39 School Board's strategic planning process. He stated that the subcommittees would each be giving an update of their work at the meeting. In June, the SA39 School Board will be determining which of the goals and strategies they would like to include in the strategic plan. The SAU39 staff would be

introduced to the plan at the Back to School Breakfast in August and there will be staff and community forums in September. The final plan will be ready in October.

Each subcommittee took 10 -15 minutes to present their goals and strategies. These are not laid out in these minutes but documents are available on the SAU39 website.

Advance Subcommittee work was presented by Porter Dodge. There was some discussion around the term highest achieving students which was part of the strategic question. Joe Miller stated that this subcommittee still has some work to do.

Connect Subcommittee work was presented by Ava Beaulieu. Many in the room expressed the thought that there is a lot to get excited about connecting better to the community and to having students learn outside of the schools through other exposure, internships, etc.

Invest Subcommittee work was presented by Janet Davis and Carrie James. This work focused on attracting and keeping the best talent.

Streamline Subcommittee work was presented by Betty Shankel. This work focused on ways to be more efficient from finances to management to district structure (with a goal to become one district). There was discussion about the barriers to some of these, in particular becoming one district.

Unite Subcommittee work was presented by Peggy Silva. This subcommittee explained that they looked at uniting the whole SAU philosophically.

Joe Miller thanked the subcommittees for their work and said they he believed we would need to retain their services in some form. He reiterated the schedule: in June the Board will consider the goals and come to consensus, the staff will hear the plan at the August Back to School Breakfast, community forums will happen in September, and a final plan will be ready in October.

Peter Warburton thanked everyone for their work. Chris Janson thanked the community members who served and Kim Roberge thanked the staff members who served.

This part of the meeting concluded at 8:00 P.M. Several staff and community members left and the meeting resumed at 8:10 P.M.

## **V. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Steve Coughlan made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Mary Lou Mullens. Motion passed yes: 11, no: 0, abstain: 1.**

## **VI. INFORMATIONAL**

The 2014-15 School Board Calendar was presented. Mary Lou Mullens noted that the Deliberative Sessions were moved back to a Tuesday evening after being held on a Saturday this year. Several Board members noted that the weeknight session did not achieve the goal of getting more people to attend. Superintendent Warburton said that the dates can be changed later on if the Board desires.

## **VII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

**Lucienne Foulks made a motion to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II. (a), (b), (c). Motion was seconded by Pim Grondstra. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

**The Board entered non-public session at 8:14 P.M.**

The Board discussed personnel matters.

**Pim Grondstra made a motion to exit non-public session. Motion was seconded by Fran Harrow. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

**The Board exited non-public session at 8:17 P.M.**

**The public meeting resumed at 8:17 P.M.**

**Pim Grondstra made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Fran Harrow. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 P.M.**