

**Board of Education Minutes
January 20, 2021**

Board Members Present: Superintendent Arsenault, Board President Jamie Doucette, Vice President Bill Bloethe, Tom Shillo, Robin Toldo, Business Manager Jim Eagan, Staff Member Mike George, Secretary Audrey O'Neil

1. School Community Session- President Jamie Doucette Called The Meeting To Order at 5:00pm

1.1 Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance (*Board President*): President Jamie Doucette Called The Meeting to Order at 5:00 pm

1.2 Public Participation (*Please Refer to Public Participation Guidelines*):No Public Participation

1.3 Celebrations:

A. Island Health Project Partnership: Superintendent Arsenault thanked the Island Health Project and Dr. Chris Ingram for their partnership with FIS and all of their hard work during this school year.

1.4 Additions to Agenda:

8.3 Executive Session To Discuss The Medical History of Particular Person

8.4 Executive Session To Discuss the Financial History of a Particular Person

2. Business Reports

2.1 Warrants Approved by Claims Auditor Sharon Patterson :Business Manager Jim Eagan said that he does not have any updates, and he is available for any questions.

A. Warrant #18-December 10, 2020- Paid : No Update

B. Warrant #Pending- January 13, 2021- Unpaid : No Updates

Business Manager Reports:

A. Revenue- Expense Status Report (December): No Updates

B. Treasurer Report (December): No Updates

2.3 2020-2021 Budget Transfers : Superintendent Arsenault said that there was one transfer from the AV equipment fund to the Supplies fund to purchase SMART board supplies. Superintendent Arsenault also stated that during the February BOE meeting, he will be asking the board for general thoughts from the BOE on discussing the budget while creating the first draft.

3. Board Committee Reports

3.1 Faculty Housing Committee: Business Manager Jim Eagan shared the minutes from the previous FHC meeting and shared a summary of the two projects that the committee has discussed with an Architect and would like to prioritize to start in the Spring 2021. Jim Eagan stated that he was available to answer any questions. Superintendent Arsenault said there was nothing for the Board to approve at this time, but there will be more information during the February BOE meeting.

3.2 Safety Committee: Superintendent Arsenault shared that FIS conducted a survey for In-Person or Remote Learning during February Break, that was sent to FIS Staff members and FIS Families. After discussing the results of the survey, Superintendent Arsenault stated that the Safety Committee would recommend that FIS do Remote-Learning post February 22 through March 5, 2021. Superintendent Arsenault thanked the Safety Committee for their hard work and recommendation.

3.3 Personnel Committee: None

4. Action Items

4.1 Motion: To Approve the Minutes of the December 16, 2020 Board of Education Safety Hearing: Robin Bill

4.2 Motion: To Approve the Minutes of the December 16, 2020 Board of Education Meeting : Bill Bloethe Made A Motion To Approve, Tom Shillo seconded the motion. All in favor, None Opposed.

4.3 Motion: To Approve the 2020-2021 District-Wide School Safety Plan: Bill Bloethe Made A Motion To Approve, Robin Toldo Seconded The Motion. All In favor, None opposed.

4.4 Motion: To Approve Audrey O'Neil as the Long-Term Special Education Substitute Teacher Effective Approximately February 14, 2021 until June 30, 2021: Robin Toldo Made A Motion To Approve, Bill Bloethe Seconded The Motion. All In favor, None opposed.

4.5 Motion: To Approve the Long-Term Special Education Tutor Posting: Robin Toldo Made A Motion To Approve, Tom Shillo Seconded The Motion. All In favor, None opposed.

4.6 Motion: To Approve the Long-Term K-2 Elementary Teacher Posting: Robin Toldo Made A Motion To Approve, Tom Shillo Seconded The Motion. All In favor, None opposed.

4.7 Motion: To Authorize Superintendent to Re-Sign Winthrop Drive LOI with Walsh Park to extend to December 31, 2021: Tom Shillo Made A Motion To Approve, Bill Bloethe Seconded The Motion. All In favor, None opposed.

4.8 Motion: To Approve the In-Person OR Remote-Learning Post February 22 through March 5, 2021 : Robin Toldo Made A Motion To Approve, Bill Bloethe Seconded The Motion. All In favor, None opposed.

5. Administrative Report

5.1 Capital Improvement Project: None

5.2 Reservoir Road Potential Land Sale: None

5.3 Walsh Park/FIS Land Sale (Winthrop Drive) : Discussed in Action Item 4.7

5.4 School Accreditation: None

5.5 Reimbursement for Generator Grant Project : None

5.6 Open House : Superintendent Arsenault shared that there was a successful FIS Virtual Open House on January 19, which 7 families attended. The Open House was recorded and the recording is available for viewing on the FIS website, and includes the outline of the application timeline.

5.7 Unreceived Item: Backpack eMist Sprayer: Superintendent Arsenault shared that the Claim Process has started for the Unreceived item, Backpack eMist Sprayer, and the Utility Company is currently allowing FIS to use their Backpack eMist Sprayer.

5.9 School Library: Superintendent Arsenault asked the BOE and Fishers Island Library Board for feedback on what to do with the FIS library books during the Capital Improvement Project. Superintendent Arsenault said that he will also discuss this with FIS staff members and community members, for any input.

5.10 Administrative Assistant Leave Coverage: Superintendent Arsenault said after discussing the options, he has decided that he will divide the responsibilities between himself, Jim Eagan, and Julie Mrowka during the Maternity Leave Of Administrative Assistant Aly Horn.

6. Information Packet for Board of Education

6.1 NYS COVID-19 Vaccine Phase 1B Information : No Comments

7. Public Participation *(Please Refer to Public Participation Guidelines): No Public Participation*

8. Executive Session

8.1 To Discuss the Employment of a Particular Person

8.2 To Discuss a Matter of Potential Litigation

8.3 Executive Session To Discuss The Medical History of Particular Person

8.4 Executive Session To Discuss the Financial History of a Particular Person

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by President Jamie Doucette at 6:05 PM

The minutes have been recorded by BOE Secretary Audrey O'Neil

