

**JONESPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MINUTES ARE NOT FINAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

A meeting of the Jonesport School Committee was held at the Jonesport Elementary Library on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 with members present as follows: Julie Farris, Morgan Monroe, and Renee Chandler. Also present was Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins and John Reese, Teacher Leader.

Chair Farris called the meeting to order at 5:03p.m. followed by the pledge.

1. Approval of Minutes

The School Committee voted (3-0) to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2023 meeting, with revisions.

- Agenda Item #5 should read, “Questions were asked by the Board and work will continue with the final budget review and adoption at their May meeting.”

2. Public Comment Session (Up to 20 minutes) –

- Jenn Libby commented about her work with AMHC and how Tammy Carr will be scheduling students.
- Joan Pulkkinen commented about tiling/carpeting at JES.
- Questions were asked about the amount spent for supplies and periodicals.
- The PTO reported that they have been doing awesome things for the school.

3. Other (taken out of order)

- Mrs. Monroe wanted to discuss election of Board Officers. Mrs. Monroe would like to vote on new officers because the Board has two (2) new members.
- Motion and Second to nominate Renee Chandler as Chairperson of the Board.
- Motion and Second to cease nominations.
- Vote 3-0 to elect Renee as the Chairperson of the Board
- Motion and Second to nominate Morgan Monroe as Vice-Chairperson of the Board.
- Motion and Second to cease nominations.
- Vote 3-0 to elect Morgan Monroe as Vice-Chairperson of the Board.
- Motion and Second to accept oil bid from Dead River Company of \$2.649 per gallon for the 2023-2024 school year. (3-0)

4. Proposed School Calendar Change due to number of Snow Days

- Motion and Second to approve changes to the calendar which include the addition of one (1) hour per day for the week of May 15th and a Saturday school day on June 3rd 8:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (3-0)

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5. First Reading of Policy GCF
 - Members will submit suggested language changes to the Superintendent by the end of May.

6. Review of Grading Policy
 - A parent had asked the Superintendent if the Board would consider changing the grading procedure to reflect all letter grades and not numeric.
 - Mr. Reese explained how the current grading occurs in the school.
 - The staff will report back to the Board in the Fall with their recommendations for a grading procedure at the school.

7. Review of Policy KFB
 - There was discussion concerning the requirement for individuals being required to show proof of an insurance waiver in order to use the gym.
 - Members will provide suggested language changes before the next meeting.

8. Motion and Second to enter Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. (3-0)
 - Board entered Executive Session at 6:26p.m.
 - Chair Chandler declared the Board out of Executive Session at 6:30p.m.

9. 2023-2024 Budget Review
 - The Board members discussed several changes to the budget and will email the central office with these so a new proposed budget can be presented in June.

10. First Year Probationary Teacher Nominations
 - Superintendent Collins nominated Andrea Hartford as Special Education Teacher subject to state certification. (3-0)
 - Superintendent Collins nominated Erin Gove as Pre-K teacher for one (1) year only subject to certification. (3-0)

11. Principal's Report – see attached

12. Adjournment
 - Motion and Second to adjourn meeting at 7:35p.m. (3-0)