

**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 Jonesport Elementary School on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 with members present as follows: Julie Farris, Ernest Kelley, Jr., and Colon Alley. Also present was Principal Heidi Fairbanks, Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins.

Chair Farris called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m. followed by the pledge.

1. Approval of Minutes

The School Committee voted (3-0) to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2022 meeting.

2. Public Comment Session (Up to 20 minutes) – Sylvina Lyons is very concerned by the idea of a 50% principal next year. “We need someone full-time”.

3. Class Trip Presentation/Discussion

Motion and Second to approve and accept the 8th grade class trip plans. (3-0)

4. New Policy First Readings

- Policy BBA
- Policy GBO
- Policy IMBB
- Policy JLCB

5. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Issues

Motion and Second to enter Executive Session at 5:20p.m.

Chair Farris declared out of Executive Session at 5:30p.m.

6. Principal Contract

Motion and Second for 2 year contract for principal. (2-1)

Motion and Second not to release principal to CSD part-time. (1-1-1)

7. Continuing Contract Teachers – Recommendation for Continued Employment

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Superintendent Collins recommended for continued employment of the following teachers for the 2022-2023 year:

Jeanna Carver – Pre K

Allison Beal – Kindergarten

John Reese – Math Interventionist

Marni Crowley – Grade 3

Sylvina Lyons – Grades 6-8

Debra Carver – Grades 6-8

Katherine Kelley – Title 1

Motion and Second to approve Continuing Contract Teacher nominations (3-0)

Superintendent Collins recommended for Second Year Probationary Teachers:

Emily Eldridge – 5th Grade

Jordan Demetros – Special Education

Jordan McLaughlin – Physical Education

Shaina Murdaugh – Art

Motion and Second to approve Second Year Probationary teacher nominations. (3-0)

8. Staff Resignations

Motion and Second to accept Kristin Crowley’s resignation with regrets from 2nd grade teaching position. (3-0)

9. Nominations of New Teachers

Superintendent Collins nominated:

Ivy Robinson – 1st Grade

Catera Gilmore – 4th Grade

Motion and Second to accept Superintendent’s nominations (2-1)

Colon Alley stated after this agenda item that people are not applying for positions because the Superintendent is a ‘bully’.

He further called Mr. Collins a ‘liar’ and that he lied about not having applications for the principal position.

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Superintendent Collins told Chair Farris that he objects to a public elected official, Mr. Alley, slandering him in an open public session.

Chair Farris informed Mr. Alley that any and all issues with school personnel, including Mr. Collins are to be discussed in Executive Session. She said the Union Board, which employs the Superintendent, will set up a meeting in the near future.

10. Principal's Report (see attached)

11. Other

12. Adjournment

The School Committee voted (3-0) to adjourn at 6:20p.m.