JONESPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Jonesport, Maine September 1, 2021

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, September 1, 2021 with members present as follows: Ernest Kelley Jr, Julie Farris and Suzen Polk-Hoffses. Also present was Principal Heidi Fairbanks and Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. followed by the pledge.

1. Approval of Minutes

The School Committee voted (3-0) to approve the minutes of June 1, 2021 with an amendment to correct attendance to include Julie Farris as present.

2. Nominations/Recommendations

The Superintendent nominated Jordan Demetros for a first year probationary contract as part-time (80%) special education resource room teacher and Emily Eldridge for a first year probationary contract as teacher of grade 5.

The Superintendent recommended the following support staff and coaches:

William Alley, Custodian Jordan Demetros, Cross-country Coach Arlin Alley, Soccer Coach

The School Committee voted (3-0) to approve the nominations/recommendations.

3. Resignations

A letter was read from Marla Bagley resigning from her position as Grades 6-8 teacher.

A letter was read from Jamie Bradley resigning from her position as Title IA Ed Tech III.

The School Committee voted (3-0) to accept the resignations with regret.

4. Principal's Report

The Principal updated the Board members on her work over the summer and updated the members on activities at the school and work they are doing on filling Mrs. Bagley's roles in the 6-8th grade classes and in technology.

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5. Miscellaneous

John Church updated the Board about the energy projects at the school over the summer. All windows, insulation, lighting, oil burner and tiling work has been completed. By next summer, all of the ventilation and heating work should be completed. He mentioned that the cost of completing the tiling in all classrooms would be approximately \$168,000 and that we need to discuss what to do with tiling in the 2021-22 budget process.

Superintendent Collins mentioned that the newest federal grant, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) is at \$875,000 for the three schools. Nearly \$660,000 of the grant will go towards lease payments on the energy projects and more than \$175,000 towards academic recovery for students who fell behind during the pandemic. Moosabec CSD will be the fiscal agent for this consolidated grant.

6. Adjournment

The School Committee voted (3-0) to adjourn at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Collins Superintendent of Schools

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