

**JONESPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Jonesport, Maine
May 1, 2019

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 Superintendent of Schools Office on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 with members present as follows: Julie Farris, Ernest Kelley Jr. and Suzen Polk-Hoffses. Also present were Principal Melissa Tenney and Superintendent of Schools Denis Howard.

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Julie Farris opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 6, 2019

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to approve the minutes of March 6, 2019.

3. Election of Officers

A. Chairman

A nomination and second was made for Julie Farris to serve as chairperson.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) that nominations cease.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) that Julie Farris serve as chairperson.

B. Vice-Chairman

A nomination and second was made for Ernest Kelley Jr. to serve as vice-chairman.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) that nominations cease.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) that Ernest Kelley Jr. serve as vice-chairman.

4. Coaches

A. Baseball

The Superintendent recommended Jeff Copp for the position of baseball coach for the 2018-2019 year.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to accept the recommendation.

B. Softball

The Superintendent recommended Elliot Peabody for the position of softball coach for the 2018-2019 year.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to accept the recommendation.

4. Coaches, Continued

C. Participation in Varsity Programs

Discussed the possibility of 8th graders playing varsity ball. The Board agreed to keep the present policy in place and not allow 8th graders to participate in varsity programs. The Board will continue to deal with such on a case by case basis.

5. Policy Review

A. IHBAC – Child Find

The Superintendent explained the need to revise the Child Find Policy (IHBAC). He indicated that changes are highlighted and the upgrade is in line with State law.

No action.

B. Job Description – GDL/School Secretary

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to approve the job description GDL/School Secretary.

7. Principal's Report (Taken Out of Order)

The Principal highlighted areas of the Principal's Report (see attached) and requested the 8th grade class trip be approved.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to approve the class trip.

8. Miscellaneous (Taken Out of Order)

A. 2019-2020 School Calendar

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar as presented.

B. Letter of Resignation

A letter was read from John Reese resigning from his position as Grades 6-8 ELA teacher effective at the end of the school year.

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

C. Overnight School Request

The Principal highlighted areas of a proposal for an overnight school on May 17th for grades PreK through K.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to approve the request.

8. Miscellaneous, Continued

D. Leave Requests

A letter was read from Mikayla Kelley requesting a maternity leave of absence for the 2019-2020 year.

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to approve the request.

A letter was read from Kerrienne Farris resigning from her position effective June 30, 2019.

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

6. Budget Worksession

The School Committee voted (3-0-0) to enter executive session at 6:26 p.m. to discuss the school budget.

The School Committee returned to regular session at 6:36 pm.

No action.

9. Adjournment

The School Committee adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Denis L. Howard
Superintendent of Schools