

**JONESPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Jonesport, Maine
October 7, 2020

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-Beals High School on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 with members present as follows: Julie Farris, Ernest Kelley Jr. and Suzen Polk-Hoffses. Also present was Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins and Principal Melissa Tenney.

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of minutes from September 2, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes was made and the Board voted (3-0) to approve the minutes

3. Approval of new hires:

Superintendent Collins recommended hiring of Dani Alley and Lexi Kelley as COVID funded temporary kitchen staff, Sidney Merchant as COVID funded temporary custodian and Melanie Faulkingham as COVID funded temporary Ed Tech 1 Motion passed (3-0).

4. Review of COVID grants:

Superintendent Collins reviewed the budget allocations for the first COVID (CFR I) grant. He also mentioned the new COVID CFR II grant was just announced.

5. Motion and second to authorize Superintendent Collins to apply for and accept \$140,901.20 in COVID CFR II federal funds. Motion passed (3-0).

6. Request for long-term medical leave:

A note from Stephen McInnis was shared with the Board. Mr. McInnis is receiving long-term medical treatment and has asked for an unpaid leave of absence until April 2021. There was a motion and a second to approve this leave request and it passed unanimously, (3-0).

7. Motion and second to approve a new adult lunch price for this school year in the amount of \$7.29 as required by the State. Motion passed (3-0).

8. Review of school reopening by Principal Tenney:

Principal Tenney shared how well the students and staff have done adjusting to the school year in light of COVID and several restrictions in place due to the pandemic.

9. Superintendent Collins announced that Holly Swilo has informed him she will not be working in her contracted school nurse position after November 20, 2020. There was a motion and a second to

thank Holly for all her work and years of service, especially during this COVID crisis. Motion passed (3-0).

10. Adjournment

The School Committee adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Collins
Superintendent of Schools

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