



DOVER SCHOOL BOARD – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting #3
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, Room 306
Meeting Date: **Monday, March 13, 2023**
Meeting Time: **7:00 p.m.**

A. CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Carolyn Mebert called a meeting of the Dover School Board to order on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 7:01 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL: Present were Carolyn Mebert, Jessica Rozzo, Maggie Fogarty, Robin Trefethen, Micaela Demeter, and Michelle Clancy. Kathy Morrison was excused.

Also present were Superintendent Bill Harbron, Assistant Superintendent Christine Boston, Business Administrator Michael Limanni, District Administrators Abby Small, Siobhan Mehalek, Kiley Hemphill, Jen Krans, Travis Bickford, Peter Driscoll, Kim Lyndes, Patrick Boodey, Patty Driscoll, and Beth Dunton.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Robin Trefethen led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. AGENDA APPROVAL:

Dr. Harbron requested Agenda items M.2., Policy JICK Presentation, and M.3., New Hampshire Title IV-A Presentation be removed from the agenda and presented in April.

Maggie Fogarty moved; Michelle Clancy seconded to approve the amended agenda to withdraw the items requested by Dr. Harbron. **An oral VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

E. CITIZENS' FORUM:

Citizen's Forum 7:04 – 8:06 p.m.

Shell Cedrone, Cassily Lane – Spoke in support of the LGBTQ+ and transgender community.

Michael Guglielmo, 140 Rumford Street, Concord. Dr. Mebert informed the non-citizen that a motion would need to be made by a Board member to allow him to speak. No Board member made the motion.

Jodi Langellotti, 453 Sixth Street – Spoke in support of the LGBTQ+ and transgender community.

Nate Stewart, Redden Street – Spoke in support of the LGBTQ+ and transgender community.

Sally Staude, Sierra Hill Drive – Spoke in support of parent's rights for school choice and against books containing adult material in the schools' libraries.

Jennifer Fried, Long Meadow Road – Spoke in support of the District's schools.

Elaine Plante, Back Road – Requests information from the Board regarding the training for the District's guidance counselors and social workers.

Andy Holtz, Roosevelt Avenue – Spoke in support of a person's right to choose for themselves, and in support of keeping the schools' libraries inclusive for all students.

Dr. Allison Zeck, Point Place – Spoke in support of the LGBTQ+ and transgender community.

Jennifer MacNeil, 87 Emerald Lane – Spoke in support of the LGBTQ+ and transgender community.



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Leviathan Stewart, Redden Street – Spoke in support of the District's teachers.

Jim Verschueren, 102B Sixth Street – Spoke in support of the LBGTQ+ and transgender community.

Ofalia Sovage, Plaza Drive – Spoke in support of the LBGTQ+ and transgender community.

Tom Mooney, 6 Towle Avenue – Spoke in support of inclusion for all students.

Laura Rundle, 11 Roosevelt Avenue – Spoke in support of inclusion for all students.

Erin Frost, Mast Road – Spoke in support of the LBGTQ+ and transgender community, and for keeping the schools' libraries inclusive for all students.

Olin Johannessen, 4 Cushing Street – Spoke in support of the School Board and administrators.

Craig Flynn, 416 Lilac Lane – Spoke in support of the LBGTQ+ and transgender community, and requests revisions be made to the current bullying policy.

Nabia Fortier, Washington Street – Spoke in support of inclusion for all students.

Ash Seeliger, Baker Street - Spoke in support of keeping the schools' libraries inclusive for all students.

Eileen Bilodeau, Barrington, Dover High School parent – Spoke in support of staff at Dover High School, and in support of keeping the schools' libraries inclusive for all students.

The Board recessed for five minutes.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting #2, February 13, 2023

Micaela Demeter moved; Maggie Fogarty seconded approval of the minutes as presented. **An oral VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

G. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Correspondence:** None
2. **Resignations/Retirements:**
 - a. Catherine Allen – Noon Aide – Garrison Elementary School – Resignation
 - b. Christina Doore – Special Education Teacher – Dover Middle School - Resignation
 - c. Laura LaFrance – Teacher – Garrison Elementary School – Resignation
 - d. Tom Waldron – Dean – Dover High School - Resignation
 - e. Jennifer Young – Paraeducator – Dover Middle School – Resignation
 - f. Doris Zucco – DALC Childcare – Dover Adult Learning Center - Resignation
3. **Leaves of Absence:** None
4. **Job Shares:**



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- a. Kim Dube / Kayleigh Cassidy-Ketchen – Grade One – Frances G. Hopkins School at Horne Street
 - b. Betsy Breen / Kristen Dunham – Grade Three – Frances G. Hopkins School at Horne Street
 - c. Jillian Cote / Kerry Siebersma – Special Education Case Manager – Frances G. Hopkins School at Horne Street
- 5. Nominations:**
- a. Non-Union Nomination
 - b. Para Nomination
- 6. Extended Travel (Student Trips):**
- a. DHS Varsity Baseball Team to Cooperstown, New York, April 26-27, 2023, Final Approval
 - b. DHS World Language Department to Montreal, Quebec, April 22-24, 2023, Final Approval – Revised Location and Date - Livermore Falls, Maine, April 14-16, 2023
- 7. Donations:** March Donations

Maggie Fogarty moved; Micaela Demeter seconded to approve the amended Consent Agenda to include an additional nomination and extended travel request. **An oral VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

H. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Student representative Griffin Sawyer updated the Board on events at Dover High School:

- Boys Hockey and Winter Spirit Teams won the State Championships
- The Junior class will be participating in SAT's
- Dover High School Graduation will be held June 8th

I. POLICY-CHANGES-PROPOSALS:

1. IJ – Instructional Materials Selection Policy – Revisions, First Reading
2. KEC – Reconsideration of Instructional Materials – Revisions, First Reading
3. KEC-R – Form for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials – Revisions, First Reading
4. KEC-R2 – Request Form for Review or Reconsideration of Educational Materials and Library Materials – Nonfiction – New Policy, First Reading

Dr. Harbron outlined the recommended changes to the policies presented to which the Board held discussions.

Micaela Demeter moved; Michelle Clancy seconded to table the policies presented until the next regular meeting. **An oral VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

J. POLICY ADOPTION:

1. EBCD – Emergency School and District Closings – Revisions, Second Reading
2. ECD-R – Use of Drones by District Students or Employees Request Form - New Policy, Second Reading
3. GCBD – Rules and Regulations in the Application of Administrative Personnel Policies and Salary Schedules – Revisions, Second Reading
4. IHBAE – Policy for Independent Evaluation of Students and Approved Fee Schedule – Withdraw, Second Reading
5. IHBAB – Special Education Evaluations – New Policy, Second Reading



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6. JFAM – Education of Military Children & Military Connected Students – New Policy, Second Reading
7. JLCB – Immunizations of Students – New Policy, Second Reading
8. JLCDA – Medical Treatment – Parental Consent – New Policy, Second Reading

Robin Trefethen moved; Micaela Demeter seconded to approve the policies presented. **An oral VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

K. RESOLUTIONS: None

L. OLD BUSINESS: None

M. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Appointment of Board Member Representation at the New Hampshire House Finance Committee**

Micaela Demeter announced she recently spoke to the New Hampshire House Finance Committee to advocate for adequate education funding at the state level. This was regarding a letter the Board received from the New Hampshire School Funding Fairness Project.

2. **Policy JICK Presentation – Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention Policy - Bullying and Cyberbullying**

Removed from the agenda to present at the April meeting.

3. **New Hampshire Title IV-A Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant Program Presentation**

Removed from the agenda to present at the April meeting.

4. **Request to Waive Bidding - aimswebPlus Stimulus Books**

Jessica Rozzo moved; Michelle Clancy seconded to waive the bidding process and award aimswebPlus the amount of \$30,000 of ESSER III Funds. **A roll call VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

Carolyn Mebert - Aye
Jessica Rozzo - Aye
Kathy Morrison - Excused
Maggie Fogarty - Aye
Robin Trefethen – Aye
Micaela Demeter - Aye
Michelle Clancy – Aye

5. **Bid Waiver Request – Federal Grant Funding**

Micaela Demeter moved; Michelle Clancy seconded to waive the bidding process and approve the amount of \$157,000 of Federal Grant Funds to be used. **A roll call VOTE PASSED 6/0.**



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Language! Live Voyager Sopris – Title I, Dover Middle School • Materials & professional development	\$50,000.00	Title I
Bridges in Mathematics Intervention – elementary & middle level • Intervention kits & professional development	\$12,000.00	Title II & ESSER
High Noon decodable books – elementary level	\$70,000.00	ESSER
Wilson Foundations – elementary level	\$15,000.00	ESSER
Booksource collections – Title I, Dover Middle School	\$10,000.00	Title I

Carolyn Mebert - Aye
 Jessica Rozzo - Aye
 Kathy Morrison - Excused
 Maggie Fogarty - Aye
 Robin Trefethen – Aye
 Micaela Demeter - Aye
 Michelle Clancy – Aye

6. Condition of Accounts

Mr. Limanni updated the Board on the condition of accounts.

N. SUBMISSION AND PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Micaela Demeter moved, Maggie Fogarty seconded to direct the Superintendent to pay Manifest 23-I in the amount of \$4,267,429.59 for FY23 for the period of February 14, 2023, through March 13, 2023. **A roll call VOTE PASSED 6/0.**

Carolyn Mebert - Aye
 Jessica Rozzo - Aye
 Kathy Morrison – Excused
 Maggie Fogarty - Aye
 Robin Trefethen – Aye
 Micaela Demeter - Aye
 Michelle Clancy - Aye

O. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Harbron presented his report to the Board. He discussed the Dover Middle School sprinkler malfunction.

Dr. Mebert spoke of the many emails received stating dissatisfaction with the decisions made surrounding the malfunction and the decision for remote learning. She noted all efforts were made by the District to have students return to in-person learning as soon as possible.

Kim Lyndes thanked those who have offered to replace lost items.



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Robin Trefethen inquired as to whether teachers could be reimbursed for personal items that may have been lost, to which Ms. Lyndes responded a list will be generated.

P. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dr. Mebert announced that both the Curriculum Advisory Council and Tech Integration Committee met recently, and the Student Behavior Survey Committee will be taking place this week.

Q. SCHOOL BOARD MATTERS OF INTEREST:

Micaela Demeter announced the Dover Middle School Drama Club is presenting the musical Peter Pan, April 13-16. For tickets, go to Showtix4u.com and search for Dover Middle School.

Dr. Harbron announced that the Dover High School musical, SpongeBob will take place March 17 & 18. Tickets will be sold at the door.

Jessica Rozzo congratulated to the Dover High School Hockey Team and Cheer Team for their accomplishment of winning the State Championships.

Maggie Fogarty gave her appreciation to those who came to the meeting to support the District and the citizens of Dover.

R. ADJOURNMENT:

Michelle Clancy moved; Micaela Demeter seconded adjourning the meeting at 9:21 PM. **An oral VOTE PASSED 6/0.**