Rangeley Lakes Regional School Unit 78
School Board Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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1. Call to Order 6:02AM

2. Pledge of Allegiance {Technical difficulties with the video recording}

3. Adjustments to the Agenda None at this time

4. Approval of Minutes for May 13, 2021
   Motion Kathy Catrini, Second Ginny Nuttall
   Unanimous; motion carries

5. Public Comments None at this time

6. Chair, Superintendent, Principal and Student Representative Comments

   Chair: Stand by earlier remarks on pride in the school year. Sounds like things will look more normal for the next school year. Student rep input was even more necessary this year than usual. Appreciate their involvement.

   Superintendent – experience, leadership and demeanor were what we needed this year. Appreciate their working relationship. Thank the board. Lot of extra board meetings, special meetings, a lot of decisions to be made outside the normal scope. Made the hard decisions necessary.

   Superintendent: Thank everyone for welcoming him to the area and the district for the past two years. Personal thank you to Wendy, Sheila, Heidi, Lindsey S, Seth and Georgia. We made it through and the kids made it through.

   MR: Appreciate the leadership Chris has provided over the past year. Found Chris to be a delightful person to work with.

   Principal: Baccalaureate was last Sunday. Very lovely service with clergy from all around town. Feels good to be back to celebrations and traditions we enjoy. Class Day was today and was excellent.
   8th grade promotion was yesterday. Kelsey Orestis did a wonderful job organizing and facilitating that.
   State of Maine Citizenship award was presented to Jacob Bottcher.
   Graduation is Saturday at 3:00PM, followed by a parade in town.
   2021 Congressional Art Competition, 5 winners were announced, three from Rangeley: Ella Shaffer, Addie Hemingway, Lexi Bachelder. Rangeley has been selected to
participate in the Dirigo Reads program. Funded by a group of private investors committed to literacy. All RLRS first graders will be given a free book, every month, for the duration of the school year.

Staff gathering last night and honored Lucy Simonds on her 20+ years of service at RLRS, along with Allison Warman for her years of service, as well as Joanne Dickson for her generous support and teaching.

7. Committee Reports
7.1 Policy Committee: - K. Catrini, Most things are up to date. Next meeting is TBD.
7.2 Finance Committee: B. deLutio, Went over latest financial statement through end of May. On track for all expenditures. Discussed heating bids and votes are later on.
7.3 Facilities Committee - V. Nuttall, started painting the baseball fence. Emergency egress is now a little wider and ready for paving. Playground committee has two new benches on the grounds. Working on the five year plan at the next meeting. Ginny is also ending her term on the school board after a number of years of service. Has seen the school grow and administration become real professionals. So pleasant to be in an atmosphere with professionals at all levels.
7.4 Negotiating Committee – M. Richards, June 18th next meeting. Hopeful to either conclude or come close to a conclusion at this next meeting.
7.5 Team Leader Report – S. Laliberte, Peter Christensen and a helper built those benches. Final weeks are so busy and teachers are getting through. Whole school community is working together to pull off all these events. Monday is a “fun day”: K-5 is doing a carnival here at the school, entirely organized by Joanne Dickson and Rangeley Health & Wellness, 6th & 7th grade are playing disc golf, high schools + 8th grade is doing a field day. Rotary picnic is on Tuesday. Teacher workshops are the last two days and will include planning for next years. NWEAs are complete. Two students left to finish state science assessment. Should have data for review by July meeting.

8. Appointments, Resignations, and Nominations:
8.1 MS Science Teacher – Sarita Crandall, UMF, 4 years prior experience. Also a coach for basketball, track, and field hockey. Coming from Mount Blue Middle School. Motion Mary Richard, Second Jess Bottcher Unanimous, motion carries
8.2 Grade 1 Teacher – Rebecca Ellis, coming from Worcester MA. BA in elementary education and has started her Master’s degree. Taught first grade for four years at South Lancaster Academy prior to starting at RLRS. Motion Chris Farmer, Second Jess Bottcher Unanimous, motion carries

9. Action Items:
9.1 Motion to approve the computation and declaration of votes dated June 8, 2021
Motion Mary Richard, Second Ginny Nuttall
Unanimous vote, motion carries

9.2 Motion to approve heating oil, propane, and wood pellet bids Dead River won the bid
Motion Chris Farmer, Second Karen Seaman
Unanimous, motion carries

9.3 Motion to Revise Policy ED-R - Equipment Loan Request
Motion Mary Richard, Second Jess Bottcher
Unanimous, motion carries

9.4 Motion to Revise Policy IKF with addition of “1a #6 and 2d #8” – Graduation Requirements
Motion to Chris Farmer, Second Ginny Nuttall
Unanimous, motion carries

9.5 Motion to Revise Policy JFGA – Health and Safety Searches of Student Lockers by School Officials
Motion Chris Farmer, Second Jess Bottcher
Unanimous, motion carries

9.6 Motion to Rescind Policy KK – Community Access to Day Classes
Motion Chris Farmer, Second Karen Seaman
Unanimous, motion carries

9.7 Motion to Rescind Policy KM – Solicitation & Distribution of Materials
Motion Chris Farmer, Second Jess Bottcher
Unanimous, motion carries

Adjourn
Motion Kathy Catrini, Second Chris Farmer
Unanimous, meeting adjourned at 7:00PM

Next meeting: July 8, 2021 MISSION - To inspire all learners to strive for success in a world yet to be fully imagined. VISION - RSU 78 envisions a broad range of choices for learning that inspires student and staff involvement in all aspects of academic life in a safe, fair, authentic, and personalized learning environment